

ERC Notes from 5/01/2012 meeting

Committee members attending: M. Singletary, R. Barber, N. Wentz, M. Littleton.

Town staff: G. Palmer and V. Millsapps.

Public: Farragut Shopper News S. Neal.

1 & 2. Full attendance w/approval of prior meeting minutes, noting the correction to a typographical error ("West Side Shopper News" should have been "Farragut Shopper News.")

3. No public forum topic.

4. Recommendation on "Be an Admiral" Program

FMS prefers technology subsidies.

HVA is open to the idea, but M. Singletary prefers other incentives.

Agreed: No up or down vote on this item. Mark will ask Mr. Honken if he might be inclined to tweak or adjust his proposal based on new information, ie. our Needs List, which was shared with the BOMA after Mr. Honken expressed his "Be an Admiral" program.

5.a. August meeting with FBA

We have a 7/20/12 deadline for an article if we desire to publish something in the FBA newsletter. Group agreed to have a June review of the article at our next meeting.

5.b. Discussion of ERC meeting w/Economic Development Council. They meet the 1st Wednesday of each month, next opportunity will be 6/06/12 at 8:00 a.m. (Resolution of this topic not clear.)

6.a. Farragut Intermediate School looking for volunteers for school project and activities like the car pick-up line, library, tutoring, small group facilitator, copying, class room assistants, etc. Need to post on the Needs List.

8.a. "Adopt a School" topic. M. Singletary proposed that we encourage the mayor at his various venues and opportunities to encourage businesses to "adopt a school." ERC discussion resulted in request that M. Singletary and R. Barber pursue more details about how to implement the objective.

8.b. N. Wentz moved to have ERC acknowledge support of Knox County Schools' \$35MM budget request for additional school funding, seconded by R. Barber. Vote stalled for lack of majority but not for lack of interest in the topic. One topic of discussion was that some members wanted more information to understand and/or reconcile the Knox county mayor's apparent (published) concerns.

End of meeting.