



Breakers Avenue Streetscape

Walkthrough with Property Owners, Meeting Notes

Location: 600 Breaker Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Date and Time: 03/20/2019, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The walk-through was not possible due to weather conditions. In lieu of the walk-through, City staff and City's Consultants discussed the following

- Breakers Avenue was a very seedy and dangerous area just 5-8 years ago. The neighbors have been committed to incrementally improving the street – inspired by tactical urbanism and creative place making.
- The tactical improvements are not just about the aesthetics but also the amenities and destinations provided along the street.
- The neighbors have been measuring the effects of their interventions – cars coming through and visitors.
- A1A is dark at night for a portion of the year because of the turtle ordinances. This presents an opportunity for Breakers Avenue to be street of the neighborhood with bright lights.
- The Bonnet House is disconnected with the rest of Breakers Avenue.
- Bonnet House would love to do more to engage Breakers Avenue – they can envision doing events at the end of Breakers outside of their entrance, like small concerts. Also, Covenant House will likely be moving.
Neighbors do not see much truck traffic or deliveries along Breakers Avenue because the loading/unloading areas for the big hotels happen along the side streets
- The City received funds from Art of Community Grant, Community Foundation of Broward to paint the intersections with the residents.
- The owners have considered artwork for the blank walls along Breakers – though they would prefer that it be very carefully curated and easily updated – perhaps a canvas installation as opposed to a wall mural
- Birch Tower recently completed a concrete restoration project. Birch Tower could potentially relocate the head-in parking spaces along Breakers and they have met with the City to see if it would be possible down the road to add a small retail component in place of those spaces

Attendees: List of attendees is available upon request.