

**Lido Key Residents Association  
Membership Meeting  
March 15, 2025**

Carl Shoffstall called the meeting to order at 10:00.

He announced that the officers of the board will be the same as last year and introduced the board members. After thanking Ocean Properties for today's meeting space he introduced our speakers for today, Jennifer Rominecki.

**PROGRAM**

**Selby Gardens – Jennifer Rominecki**

The mission of Selby Gardens is “To provide bayfront sanctuaries connecting people with air plants of the world, native nature and or regional history.” The improvements being made are to solve the following key challenges:

- Protect the world’s best scientifically documented collections of orchids and bromeliads, which had been housed in aging infrastructure located in a flood zone.
- Welcome thousands of visitors who wish to connect with Selby Gardens but cannot be accommodated.
- Preserve historical treasures and our 15-acre oasis in the heart of downtown for generations to come.
- Provide long-term fiscal and environmental sustainability

Phase 1 has been completed and more than meets the expected results. The Master Plan for phase 2 will involve growing the gardens, expanding access and greater educational opportunities, and safeguarding the future. Highlights include a Conservatory Complex, Greenhouse features, a learning pavilion, and enhanced garden spaces. Expected completion is 2027. Phase 3 will involve fixing paths and structures and rerouting pathways.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Treasurer Report

We have a balance of \$34,947.42 in the regular account and \$19,291.92 in the scholarship account (\$1,200 added this month).

Membership

Current Membership is:

Households: 429

Condo's/Businesses 38

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Social Committee Report

The next meet and greet will be at the Daquiri Deck on April 8. The deadline for buying tickets for the beach party is March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Programs Report

April – Mayor Liz Alpert

### Beach Update

A meeting is being planned for city officials to meet with members of properties on the beach. It will be held at the Lido Beach Resort. Jim will be sending out further information.

### Newsletter

Carl thanked Bruce for the recent newsletter

### New Business:

Liz Alpert informed members that a city newsletter goes out every week. You can sign up online. She also stated that the city is planning to repurpose the Van Wezel rather than tearing it down,

Mark Smith announced that the South Lido Beach will be opening soon. He is asking the county to consider that no boats or jet skis be allowed at the Beach.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.