GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT MINUTES OF A REGULAR "HYBRID" MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS November 16, 2020

The "HYBRID" MEETING took place in the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park and was also conducted virtually through the Zoom platform. The meeting was called to order by CHAIRMAN Susan Vogelgesang at 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Craig F. Ehrnst Steven M. Engel Robert K. Rollins, Jr. Susan Vogelgesang Erin Wright

<u>CHANGES TO AGENDA</u> Item #1 Ocean Strand Discussion was deferred.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

The following people called into the meeting during public comments:

Mr. Harold Chaffee would like to discuss a plan for the Ocean Breeze property and stated that the abandonment of Jeffrey Street and the ILA needs to be addressed first.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the minutes of the Regular "Hybrid" meeting held on November 2, 2020, at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner EhrnstYesCommissioner EngelYesCommissioner RollinsYesCommissioner VogelgesangYesCommissioner WrightYes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Ocean Strand Discussion- Deferred

2. Ocean Breeze 3 Corners RFP

The District put out an RFP over the summer to beautify the three corners at the Ocean Breeze Golf Course. Ms. Harms inquired if the Board would like to move forward with or reject the bid for the beautification of the three corners.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for an overall plan once the ILA is modified; the Needs Assessment Survey, a possible fishing hole, irrigation, hiring a consultant to guide the public charrettes, the need to continue to urge the City for the abandonment of Jeffrey Street.

Commissioner Ernst suggested a call for proposals and ideas through the end of March to generate ideas from the community and the Needs Assessment Survey.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Ehrnst to reject the bid that the District received for the cleanup of the three corners at Ocean Breeze.

Discussion:

Counsel noted that the rejection by the motion rejects the proposal and leaves the possibility of reopening the bid in the future.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner EhrnstYesCommissioner EngelYesCommissioner RollinsYesCommissioner VogelgesangYesCommissioner WrightYes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel for the District to call for proposals for the former Boca Teeca/Ocean Breeze golf course to be submitted and returned by the last Friday in March. The proposals should include public community recreation ideas, preserve green space, and minimize the District's out of pocket costs or expenditures, and include a community park for design.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for professional oversight on the responses that are submitted and the handling of the charrettes and adding the subject matter as an agenda item at each meeting so the public can call or email their requests into the record.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner EhrnstYesCommissioner EngelYesCommissioner RollinsYesCommissioner VogelgesangYesCommissioner WrightYes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Sugar Sand Park Asphalt Pathways

This summer the Board approved the re-surfacing of the remainder of the asphalt walkway at Sugar Sand Park. This final portion of the walkway starts at the basketball courts, passes through the picnic pavilions, behind the Community Center, and ends at the Camino Real parking lot. Ms. Dawson, Facilities Manager, recommended using the same company that the District used last year, Wynn and Son's for \$40,479.50, piggybacking on the competitive bid awarded by Palm Beach County.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve Wynn & Son's, for \$40,479.50, to do the asphalt project at Sugar Sand Park as presented.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:	
Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

4. Mattice Business Services Renewal

Ms. Harms recommended the renewal of a one-year contract with Mattice Business Services at the current rate of \$1,650.00 per month.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the renewal of the contract with Mattice Business Services at the current rate of \$1,650.00 per month.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst	Yes
Commissioner Engel	Yes
Commissioner Rollins	Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the payroll and invoices totaling \$ 72,817.65.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner EhrnstYesCommissioner EngelYesCommissioner RollinsYesCommissioner VogelgesangYesCommissioner WrightYes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director

CRA

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On Tuesday, November 10th, the City Council followed the recommendation of City staff and rejected the District's application to be exempt from the CRA citing that the District's original application was incomplete. Ms. Harms made numerous attempts to obtain financial information from the City to provide more complete answers, which went unanswered. She asked the City to consider updating policies that prohibit District only residents from participating in recreation programs at resident rates. The City rejected the idea. The City would not acknowledge that District and City residents outside of the redevelopment area are subsidizing beaches and parks for those within the redevelopment area.

Ms. Harms has inquired how the surplus of funds that showed in the CRA's statements that were independently audited in April, was depleted to a deficit in September.

The original ILA with the City specified that District funds would be used for recreational purposes, the ILA was then modified to state that the District's contribution would pay for the bonds for Mizner Park which have since been satisfied. The City is now going back to 1996 and charging the CRA for recreational amenities that were not previously allocated for recreational use and that were previously funded by the General Fund.

Discussion ensued.

District Counsel was asked to investigate if it is legally feasible for the City to go back in time and bill the CRA, if the City audits the CRA, and if there are any restrictions on what the City can bill the CRA for.

Counsel advised that the District could seek a modification to its enabling legislation to provide for the exemption from the CRA payment, however, does not recommend it.

Ms. Harms will contact each member of the City Council individually to discuss the District's request to update its policies that prohibit District residents from receiving resident rates.

Counsel:

ILA Amendment

Counsel is currently working on the suggestions that the Board provided to modify the ILA and will present them to the Board for review.

Ocean Breeze Deed Restriction Memorandum

A Memorandum on the Ocean Breeze Deed Restrictions was issued for the District's records.

Ocean Strand Title Update

On October 23, 2020, Counsel issued the Ocean Strand title update regarding the excluded parcels and other issues. Counsel will work with Mr. Steve Watts and Calvin Giordano and Associates to update the sketch to include the three parcels that the District owns.

Commissioners:

Commissioner Rollins would like to continue to press the City on the Clint Moore Road issue and asked that Ms. Harms investigate why the volunteer program at Red Reef Golf Course, that allowed the volunteers a discounted rate at Boca Municipal Golf Course, was dismissed without notice.

Commissioner Engel updated the Board on his research for the Beach & Park Foundation and believes that it is a successful means for raising revenue. Mr. Engel will provide a formal written report for the Board to review.

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Commissioner Vogelgesang expressed that an Osprey couple is making a nest at the Boca Teeca property and caution must be taken when doing any work there as Osprey are a federally protected species.

<u>FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</u>: Ocean Strand Change Order ILA Amendment Staff Policies Boca Teeca Call for Proposals Golf Course Building Demolition

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner EhrnstYesCommissioner EngelYesCommissioner RollinsYesCommissioner VogelgesangYesCommissioner WrightYes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Susan Vogelgesang Secretary-Treasurer