GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SPECIAL AUDITOR SELECTION COMMITTEE
Swim & Racquet Center
21618 St. Andrew Boulevard
Boca Raton, Florida

August 9, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

2021 Special Auditor Selection Committee Members present:

CRAIG F. EHRNST, Commissioner, Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District LINDA DAVIDSON, Financial Services Director, City of Boca Raton-MICHAEL KALVORT, Recreation Services Director, City of Boca Raton

Also present:

JACOB HOROWITZ, District Counsel BRIANN HARMS, Executive Director, Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District

CHANGES TO AGENDA: No changes were made. **PUBLIC REQUESTS:** No public requests were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Michael Kalvort and seconded by Linda Davidson to approve the minutes of the Special Auditor Selection Committee Meeting held on August 2, 2021.

Discussion:

ROLL CALL VOTE

Craig Ehrnst Yes Linda Davidson Yes Michael Kalvort Yes

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Presentations and Interviews

Mr. Jacob Horowitz, District Counsel, provided a summary of the Auditor Selection process:

- The audit committee previously met and approved an RFQ that was issued and approved by the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park Board of Commissioners.
- There were three (3) respondents to the RFQ: Grau and Associates, Marcum LLP, and Nowlen, Holt, & Miner.
- Presentations and interviews with the three proposers were scheduled for this day in the above order that was selected randomly at the last meeting.
- The Committee will rank the firms in order of preference and make a recommendation to the Board. Contract negotiations will take place once the Board has made its final decision.

Governed by Chapter 286.0113, the presentations made by each of the applicants were confidential and privileged and the applicants were not permitted to attend each other's presentations. The presentations and interviews were open to the public.

Each firm was allowed thirty (30) minutes to make a presentation to the Committee and fifteen (15) minutes to answer questions.

Commissioner Ehrnst disclosed that Marcum is an auditor for a pension plan at his place of employment. Counsel noted that this is not a legal conflict.

2. Recommendations for the Board

At the conclusion of the interviews, the Committee evaluated each firm. Each firm met all the evaluation criteria set forth by the Committee. Each committee member ranked the three firms in order of preference:

	First	Second	Third
Commissioner Ehrnst:	Grau	Marcum	Nowlen Holt & Miner
Linda Davidson:	Marcum	Grau	Nowlen Holt & Miner
Michael Kalvort:	Grau	Marcum	Nowlen Holt & Miner

Grau was ranked #1 with Marcum being a very close 2nd.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Linda Davidson to recommend the firms in the following order of preference to the Board for final consideration: #1. Grau & Associates #2. Marcum LLP and #3. Nowlen, Holt, and Miner.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Craig Ehrnst	Yes
Linda Davidson	No
Michael Kalvort	Yes

MOTION PASSES 2-1

Discussion:

The next Auditor Selection Meeting will be held on August 23, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting ended at 3:45 p.m.

Craig F. Ehrnst

Commissioner, Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District