GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS February 22, 2022

The MEETING took place at the Swim & Racquet Center and was also conducted virtually through the Zoom platform. The meeting was called to order by CHAIRMAN Erin Wright at 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

Mr. Greg Galanis thanked the Executive Director and District Chair for touring the Boca Country Club. He believes that it is grossly inadequate for seniors, the aging population, and the youth golfers. He requested that a short course, driving range, practice area, and Learning Center be included in the plans at Boca Teeca.

Mr. Tom Thayer extended an invitation to the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner Associations meeting on March 1st at 8:30 a.m. The guest speaker will be Briann Harms, Executive Director of the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District.

Mr. Harold Chaffee, President of Keep Golf in Boca, thanked the District and Miller Legg for holding a very informative visioning workshop on the Ocean Breeze project. He looks forward to the results of the surveys and inquired if there are funds budgeted for the Ocean Breeze project.

Mr. Robert DuKate, by email, inquired if there were any comments from City Council regarding their discussion with Miller Legg and if Miller Legg scheduled another public meeting. He was concerned about having a driving range and executive course at Ocean Breeze and recommended asking Miller Legg if there would be a requirement for high nets adjacent to the condominiums and the railroad tracks for safety reasons & risk mitigation by the District. He recommended that the potential impact of the resident's views be fully discussed by the District & Miller Legg at future meetings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 7, 2022, at 5:15 p.m.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst Yes
Commissioner Engel Yes
Commissioner Rollins Yes
Commissioner Vogelgesang Yes
Commissioner Wright Yes
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Review of the Maintenance Facility at DeHoernle Park

Mr. Mike Dyko, City's Capital Improvement Manager, Mr. Zach Bihr, Municipal Services Director, Mr. Greg Stevens, Recreation Services Superintendent, and Mr. Abbas Zackria from WZA; gave a presentation on the Maintenance Facility Project at DeHoernle Park.

The facility will provide a maintenance area for Countess De Hoernle Park and space for Recreation Services and Beautification personnel. The project includes the administration and employee areas, equipment, and material storage areas. The project's estimated cost is \$6.3 million, with a budget of \$6.75 million. The project is expected to be bid by the end of March, construction should begin by the end of July and is anticipated to be completed by Spring of 2023.

Discussion ensued regarding the showers; which equipment will be housed at the new facility; the effects of rising costs on the project; reducing some aspects of the project to stay within budget; if the city would use the same design if the District did not participate in the project; the cost per square foot; if personnel from Municipal Services would be moved into the new facility; if the development of Phase 2 would be affected if the maintenance facility project were delayed by cost overruns, if the public will be able to use the space that will no longer be occupied by the rangers and staff; if Phase 2 would entail further adjustments; budget concerns; future air conditioning costs, maintenance needs, repairs; the costs for furnishing the interior of the building; if the city is obligated to accept a bid; delaying the project until the costs of materials come down; what impact will the fuel storage area will have on the environment; if the District is responsible for the annual maintenance on the facility and the fuel station; and if the District can put a cap on the amount they contribute to the project.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the budgeted amount of \$2,025,000 for the DeHoernle Park Maintenance Facility.

Discussion:

Commissioner Engel requested a stipulation be added to the motion stating that the \$2,025,000 is strictly for the approval of the construction budget and that the maintenance cost is addressed separately.

Commissioner Wright requested that the City provide answers to the following questions prior to approval:

- What will the annual maintenance cost be for the new facility?
- What will the District's allocation be going forward?

<u>A SUBSTITUTE MOTION</u> was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to table the DeHoernle Park Maintenance Facility discussion to the March 7, 2022, meeting

Discussion:

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Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

2. Ocean Strand - Maracore Builders Change Order #10

Executive Director Harms requested the Board's approval of the Maracore Builders Change Order #10 in the amount of \$7,357.50. The change order includes services that were not included in the original scope of the project: attendance at City Council meetings, and presentations at Planning and Zoning meetings. These meetings were part of the approval process for Ocean Strand.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to approve Maracore Builders Change Order #10 for \$7,357.50 for additional Services for Coordination, Submittals, and Meetings.

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 Rollins to approve the payroll and invoices as presented, totaling \$536,803.73

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director:

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Recycling

Ms. Harms met with Municipal Services and Recreation Services staff to discuss recycling possibilities at Ocean Strand. City staff will inquire with 40cean, a Public Benefit Corporation that has a pilot program being tested at the beachfront parks, what the cost would be to add Ocean Strand to the program. Incorporating recycling into other parks will be considered after evaluating the results of the program.

Patch Reef Tennis and Pickleball

A kickoff meeting was held to discuss the tennis and pickleball renovation project, a timeline for the project is being finalized.

Swim & Racquet Center Renovations Update

Fifty percent of the drawings for the renovations have been completed.

Boca Teeca Update

Director Harms confirmed that the District has money allocated for improvements at Boca Teeca. The visioning workshop on February 9th had over two hundred participants online and in-person; a second visioning meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 1st. The project's website (www.mybocaparks.org) includes a link to the survey and a video link to the visioning workshop that was held on February 9th.

Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner Association

The Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner Associations meeting will be held on Tuesday, March $1^{\rm st}$ at 8:30 a.m. Director Harms will be the guest speaker.

District Counsel:

Commissioners:

Commissioner Vogelgesang thanked Director Harms and the PR Guru for the great write-up on Top Soccer and thanked the city for its quick response to the Woodlands Park bathroom situation. Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired if the Board would like to fast-track putting a driving range at the Ocean Breeze property with all the interest in golf shown at the visioning workshop. She believes it will generate needed revenue.

Commissioner Rollins requested that the City consider putting seats on the north side of DeHoernle Park and recommended having safety protocols and appropriate signage placed in the parks in case of an emergency.

Commissioner Ehrnst inquired about the status of beach volleyball.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Utility Services Presentation YMCA Agreement DeHoernle Maintenance Facility Discussion

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ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Ehrnst

Yes

Commissioner Engel

Yes

Commissioner Rollins

Yes

Commissioner Vogelgesang Yes

Commissioner Wright MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Chairman

Secretary-Treasurer