

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR “VIRTUAL” MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 3, 2020

The “VIRTUAL” MEETING, conducted through the Zoom platform, 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

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

The following people called into the meeting:

Mr. Robert DuKate inquired what the District’s plan is for the golf course.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve the minutes of the Regular “Virtual” Meeting held on July 20, 2020, at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Budget Discussion

The budget discussion focused on City and District CIP requests for FY 20/21.

City CIP Projects Totaling \$6,150,050

Gumbo Limbo Tower & Ramping	\$1,100,000
Gumbo Limbo Pump Replacement	\$3,222,000
Gumbo Limbo Renovations (Master Plan)	\$955,000
Red Reef South Restroom	\$200,000
Boca Inlet & Jetties	\$25,000
Recreation Services Master Plan	\$50,000
Lifeguard Tower Replacements	\$11,400
Renourishment Projects	\$44,600
Irrigation & Pumping Rehabilitation	\$125,000
IT Services	\$209,750

Vehicles \$207,300

Ms. Harms recommended setting up a reserve fund for the Recreation Services Master Plan and Vehicles request totaling \$257,300.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Wright to set up a reserve fund for the following City CIP projects: Recreation Services (Master Plan) for \$50,000 and Vehicles for \$207,300. Funds will be available for the City to request on an as-needed basis.

Discussion:

Commissioner Ehrnst suggested including the Boca Inlet and Jetties for \$25,000 to the motion.

An AMENDED MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to set up a reserve fund for the following City CIP projects for FY 20/21: Boca Inlet and Jetties \$25,000; Recreation Services (Master Plan) \$50,000; and Vehicles for \$207,300. A total of \$282,300 will be available for the City to request on an as-needed basis.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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It was the consensus of the Board to approve the remaining City CIP projects for a total of \$5,867,750.

District CIP Projects

District managed projects for 2020-2021 total \$430,000 (a reduction from \$610,000) and include the following:

Patch Reef Park Batting Cages	\$115,000
Sugar Sand Park Asphalt Resurfacing	\$150,000
Swim & Racquet Center Deck Paving Repairs	\$60,000
Swim & Racquet Center Geothermal System	\$90,000
Swim & Racquet Center Restroom Flooring	\$15,000

Additionally:

Ocean Strand

\$100,000 will be carried over for Ocean Strand Phase 1.

Beach Renourishment

The Beach Renourishment Fund will be increased by \$300,000.

Golf Course

\$5,000,000 will be allocated for construction of the golf course at Boca Teeca. Ms. Harms recommended that the District establish a Golf Course operation reserve fund of \$250,000.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for pickleball courts.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Engel to convert two (2) tennis courts into four (4) pickleball courts at Patch Reef Park, not to exceed \$25,000.

Discussion: District and City staff will work together on the details of this project. This project will come out of the current budget and will not impact the FY 20/21 budget.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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MOTION was made by Commissioner Rollins and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the following District CIP projects for FY 20/21 totaling \$430,000: Patch Reef Park Batting Cages for \$115,000; Sugar Sand Park Asphalt Resurfacing for \$150,000; Swim & Racquet Center Deck Paving Repairs for \$60,000; Swim & Racquet Center Geothermal System for \$90,000 and the Swim & Racquet Center Restroom Flooring for \$15,000.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

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MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Rollins to commit \$5 million for the construction of the golf course for FY 20/21.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote:

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

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2. Ocean Strand

The District received one (1) response to the Ocean Strand Phase 1 RFP from Maracore Builders, LLC. A design-build was submitted within the District’s budget of \$100,000 and all the necessary documents were provided. Ms. Harms is confident that Maracore Builders will build exactly what the RFP required for Phase 1 of the pedestrian park.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Wright and seconded by Commissioner Ehrnst to award and accept the design-build RFP bid from Maracore Builders, LLC for Phase 1 of the Ocean Strand project.

Discussion:

Discussion ensued about making the Ocean Strand Park dog friendly.

Maracore Builder’s proposal will be placed on the District website for the public to view and questions can be asked on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 5:15 p.m. at a special “virtual” meeting for Ocean Strand- Phase 1. Renderings of their proposal will be available at the meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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3. Ocean Breeze Golf Course -Ongoing Maintenance & Trash Removal

Ms. Harms informed the Board of the increasing amount of code compliance and dumping issues that are taking place at the Ocean Breeze golf course. The cost of ongoing maintenance and trash removal at Ocean Breeze will far exceed the budgeted amount of \$50,000. Ms. Harms wanted to ensure the public that these matters are being addressed and she will work with the City to post official signage; a phone number will be posted for residents to call and report any issues, and a letter will be sent out to the Home Owner Associations asking them to help notify their residents that there is no dumping allowed on the property.

Ms. Harms also noted that the temporary fencing located around the tennis courts and has become problematic and will be taken down. The area will be cleaned up and no trespassing signs will be posted.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND INVOICES:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve the payroll and invoices totaling \$ 2,411,254.38.

Discussion:

Commissioner Rollins inquired when the payments for the City's O & M invoices be would be current.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director:

Thank you

Mr. Jason Hester, from the Sugar Sand Park Community Center, will fill in for District staff at the District's meetings if needed. Ms. Harms extended her thanks for his help in learning the technical setups.

Golf Course

A 5-year phased approach is still planned for constructing the golf course at Ocean Breeze. Within the first two years 18-holes will be completed and the rest of the project, including the tunnel, will be completed within five years. Mr. Branthwaite, golf course architect, will provide an update at the August 17, 2020 meeting. The District anticipates an answer from the City for the golf course design approval in the next few months.

Counsel:

Executive Orders - Virtual Meetings

On July 29, 2020, Governor DeSantis signed Executive Order No. 20-179 allowing for virtual meetings to be extended through September 1, 2020. A separate provision of the Order allows for TRIM and Budget Hearings to be conducted virtually through October 15, 2020.

Commissioners:

Commissioner Ehrnst expressed appreciation for the work that Ms. Harms has put into the budget. He believes that the District needs to be cautious with its financial commitments and suggested a review of all the District insurance policies.

Commissioner Engel was very satisfied with the Ocean Strand RFP being awarded to Maracore Builders and looks forward to public feedback and speedy completion of the project.

Commissioner Rollins will review all the District insurance programs for possible cost reductions.

Commissioner Wright thanked Ms. Harms for her great work reducing the City's proposed budget by \$600,000.

Commissioner Vogelgesang expressed her appreciation towards staff and looks forward to the public input at the Ocean Strand Phase 1 meeting on August 11, 2020.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Budget Discussion
Communication Policy

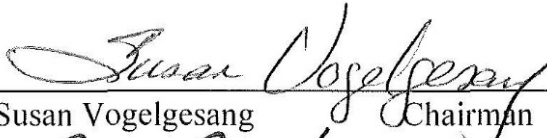
ADJOURNMENT:


MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Ehrnst to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED


Susan Vogelgesang Chairman


Craig F. Ehrnst Secretary-Treasurer