

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL, BOCA RATON
July 25, 2016

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Robert K. Rollins, Jr. at approximately 5:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Steven M. Engel
Dennis R. Frisch
Robert K. Rollins, Jr.
Earl L. Starkoff
Susan Vogelgesang

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

Al Zucaro

561 Golden Harbour Drive, Boca Raton

Mr. Zucaro advised that the July 26th Boca Raton City Council meeting agenda included an item for approval of performance agreements at the Willow Theatre in the amount of \$250,000 [Resolution No. 65-2016]. He asked if the District had any knowledge, input or participation in the granting of the contract.

Ms. Harms, Assistant Director, stated that the District is aware of the City's compensation policy to providers of recreational programming and activities and proceeded to explain the general provisions of the policy.

Mr. Koski, Interim Executive Director noted that in fiscal year 2016-2017, the Willow Theatre will generate \$156,000 in District revenue.

Tom Thayer

4821 N. Dixie Highway, Boca Raton

On behalf of Mr. Gene Folden, Chairman of the City's Marine Advisory Board, Mr. Thayer asked if funding for the dredging of the Boca Raton Inlet was included in the District's beach renourishment sinking fund.

Mr. Koski stated that the City's Beach Renourishment Interlocal Agreement proposed that the District participate in a 50% contribution of the local share of funding for beach renourishment [includes North Beach; Central Beach; South Beach restoration and the dredging of the Boca Inlet]. The District had no issue with funding per se; however, the City wanted the District to commit to a 30 year term. The District can only commit on a year-to-year basis. The District is currently in the process of reviewing its relationship with the City under beach renourishment to have a new interlocal agreement.

Michele Peel

7391 NE 8th Court, Boca Raton

On behalf of Mr. Jim Miller, President of the Friends of Gumbo Limbo, Ms. Peel, Friends of Gumbo Limbo liaison to the District, gave a brief overview of the general budget philosophy approach of the City requesting from the District the items needed to operate the center, and the Friends funding items that enhance the ability of the center to fulfill its mission. She advised that based upon a review of the proposed 2016-2017 City budget, the Friends provided comments on how they might participate in the Center's budget in the coming year such as aquarium lighting and quarantine tanks.

Harold Chaffee

6200 NW 2nd Avenue, Boca Raton

Mr. Chaffee, a Boca Teeca resident, commented on the Ocean Breeze Golf Course deed restriction requiring that the property be kept as a golf course. He noted the current condition of the property [the lodge has been closed; the grass is not being watered or maintained appropriately] and suggested that Lennar Corp. may be in violation of the deed restriction. The status of the sale of the property to Lennar is unclear, although correspondence was received from Wells Fargo advising the HOA to negotiate with Lennar. He thanked the Board for its correspondence to the City expressing the District's interest in participating in the acquisition of the Ocean Breeze property.

Chris Fluehr

280 E. Fern Drive, Boca Raton

Mr. Fluehr stated that he attended previous Board meetings in an attempt to try to understand the confusion that exists between the District and the City. He noted that there are two challengers in the upcoming District election. As he is unable to attend the August 11th debate, he asked if any of the challengers were present to explain why they are running and what issues concern them. *(Note: No challengers were present).*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS:

<p><u>MOTION</u> was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 18, 2016.</p>

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Sugar Sand Park Science Playground Phase II

Mr. Koski and Ms. Harms met with Mr. Clifford Moore of NuJak Construction in an attempt to negotiate for the completion of the subject project under a change order. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Moore will reconfigure his price to make it more acceptable to the District. Once

a price is agreed upon, Phases II and III can be accelerated. Mr. Moore has indicated that he has about 45 days to complete Phase I of the project. This item will be placed on the August 1st agenda.

2. Discuss Proposed City Operation & Maintenance Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Mr. Koski provided and reviewed a draft of the 2016-2017 Budget Summary. He reviewed the draft beginning with the known items on both the revenue and expense side. In future meetings, items requested; discretionary items; and items that can go into reserve accounts will be discussed. The District's proposed millage rate is the rolled back rate of 0.9147 mills. On July 27th, he will meet with Mr. Mickey Gomez, City of Boca Raton Recreation Services Director wherein additional budget data will be provided. By August 15, the District should know what the rolled-back rate will allow the District to accomplish in the way of required and discretionary expenditures for the next fiscal year. Mr. Merv Timberlake, District Financial Advisor, will be present at the August 15th meeting.

The First Public Hearing on 2016-2017 Budget and Taxes is Monday, September 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sugar Sand Park Community Center.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES: - None were presented.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Executive Director

Swim & Racquet Center

The Planning & Zoning meeting for the subject project is now deferred until August 18th, with City Council approval on September 27th.

District Counsel - None

Commissioners

Sugar Sand Park Lighting Improvements

Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired about the status of the subject project. Ms. Harms responded that Mr. Rick Zimmer is scheduling Imperial Electric to commence the work; a 30-day timeframe for job completion is envisioned.

District Facility Safety Inspections

Commissioner Vogelgesang inquired about the timetable for safety inspections performed by Mr. Zimmer. Mr. Koski responded that Mr. Zimmer has been involved with issues at the Patch Reef Park Community Center [suspended ceiling fall] and the City's Lifeguard offices at the Swim & Racquet Center [additional water leaks]. Mr. Zimmer has been working with the City of Boca Raton Building Department and a contractor engaged by the District to handle these emergent type of activities.

Mr. Koski stated that the building at the S&RC is in poor condition. An inspection of the building was performed, and depending upon the results of that survey, employees may have to perform their duties out of on-site trailers. The possibility of demolishing the building will be discussed with Mr. Gomez.

Communication

Commissioner Engel inquired if a response was received from the City regarding the letter that was delivered to Mayor Haynie referencing interlocal agreements. Commissioner Rollins responded that to-date, no response has been received. Commissioner Engel acknowledged that the District is trying to be responsive to the City in their requests, and hopes that the City will be responsive in the same manner to the District.

City Council Workshop

Commissioner Engel stated that one Council member at the July 24 Council Workshop inquired as to what the District was doing regarding the installation of sport turf grass at Patch Reef Park and natural grass at DeHoernle Park. It was mentioned that money the District allocated for DeHoernle Park Phase II was being used someplace else. At the May 9th City Council workshop, a Council member gave reference to DeHoernle Park Phase II with the comment “that ship has sailed”. Commissioner Engel would like clarification from the City if DeHoernle Park Phase II is still a viable project.

City Annexation

Commissioner Starkoff commented that several neighborhoods outside the District boundaries are being proposed for annexation by the City. He requested Mr. Koski and Mr. Timberlake to take into account what a reduction of the cash carry going forward would be if District residents need to subsidize non-District resident use of recreational facilities the District supports.

Beach Renourishment

Commissioner Rollins stated that the City has made a request for \$1.5 million to fund the Central Beach Renourishment Project. The District executed an agreement to fund 50% of the local share of the Central Beach Renourishment Project, however, without an executed agreement from the City, the District will not disburse any funds for the project. The District is communicating with the City; the City needs to cooperate with the District.

City/District Joint Meeting Date

Commissioner Rollins stated that the District proposed a July 25th joint meeting date with the City, but was advised by the City Clerk that the Council had a full agenda and would be unable to meet on that date. The District’s special meeting date of July 25th did not conflict with a joint meeting since the District had not scheduled the special meeting until *after* being advised that the City was unavailable to meet on that date.

Acknowledgement

Commissioner Starkoff acknowledged the presence of City of Boca Raton Finance Director, Linda Davidson.

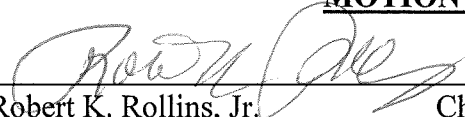
FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

August 1 - Approval of Sugar San Park Science Playground Phase II
Discuss Proposed City Operation & Maintenance Budget for F/Y 2016-2017
Swim & Racquet Center Building Update

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frisch and seconded by Commissioner Engel to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED



Robert K. Rollins, Jr. Chairman



Dennis R. Frisch Secretary-Treasurer