

HOMELAND DEFENSE/ NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT BOND OVERSIGHT BOARD MINUTES

3/23/10 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF MIAMI
CITY HALL CHAMBERS
3500 PAN AMERICAN DRIVE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33133

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m., with the following members found to be

Present: Mariano Cruz
Henry Goa
Pablo Perez-Cisneros
Robert Powers
Jose Solares (Chairman)
David Willig
Hattie Willis
Henry Zayas-Bazan

Absent: Rolando Aedo (Vice Chairman)
Hugo P. Arza
Eileen Broton
Ricardo Lambert
Gary Reshefsky
Beba Sardiña Mann

ALSO PRESENT: Ola O. Aluko, Director, CIP Department
Robin Jones-Jackson, Assistant City Attorney
Daniel Newhoff, Director, Public Facilities
Juan Ginarte, Marina Supervisor, Public Facilities
Assistant Fire Chief Valdora Arthur, Fire-Rescue
Ed Blanco, Project Supervisor, Parks & Recreation
John De Pazos, Project Manager, CIP Department
Danette Perez, Board Liaison, CIP Department
Marcia Lopez, Public Relations Specialist, CIP Department
Teri-Elizabeth Thomas, City Clerk's Office

March 23, 2010

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010.

HD/NIB MOTION 10-15

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010.

MOVED: P. Perez-Cisneros
SECONDED: R. Powers
ABSENT: R. Aedo, H. Arza, E. Broton, R. Lambert, G. Reshefsky, B. Sardiña Mann

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

II. NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction of New Board Members:

- Enrique (Henry) J. Zayas-Bazan nominated by Mayor Tomas Regalado
- David Willig nominated by Chairman Marc Sarnoff
- Mariano Cruz nominated by Commissioner Wifredo (Willy) Gort

The three new board members individually introduced themselves as new members of the Board. Mariano Cruz has previously served as a member of the Homeland Defense/Neighborhood Improvement Bond Oversight Board.

III. NEW ITEMS:

1. Pier Line Repairs at MiaMarina

NAME OF PROJECT: <u>PIER FIRE LINE REPAIRS AT MIAMARINA</u>
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: <u>\$250,000</u>
SOURCE OF FUNDS: <u>Waterfront Improvements Citywide</u>
ACCOUNT CODE(S): _____
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: <u>Remove and replace 1,200 linear ft. of rusted and corroded iron pipe, connections, fittings and support brackets for Piers A, B and C.</u>

HD/NIB MOTION 10-16

A MOTION TO FUND THE PIER LINE REPAIRS AT MIAMARINA.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: M. Cruz
ABSENT: R. Aedo, H. Arza, E. Broton, R. Lambert, G. Reshefsky, B. Sardiña Mann

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

2. Pierce Arrow XT Special Response Vehicle

NAME OF PROJECT: <u>PIERCE ARROW XT SPECIAL RESPONSE VEHICLE</u>
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: <u>\$639,825</u>
SOURCE OF FUNDS: <u>Fire Rescue HD Preparedness Initiative</u>
ACCOUNT CODE(S): <u>313305</u>
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: <u>Purchase of one (1) Pierce Arrow XT Special Response Vehicle.</u>

HD/NIB MOTION 10-17

A MOTION TO FUND THE PIERCE ARROW XT SPECIAL RESPONSE VEHICLE.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: H. Willis
ABSENT: R. Aedo, H. Arza, E. Broton, R. Lambert, G. Reshefsky, B. Sardiña Mann

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

3. Bicentennial Park/Museum Park Mooring Bollards

NAME OF PROJECT: <u>BICENTENNIAL/MUSEUM PARK MOORING BOLLARDS</u>
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT: <u>\$ 1,809,455 (\$953,750 is Homeland Defense)</u>
SOURCE OF FUNDS: <u>HD Bicentennial Park Improvements, Bayfront Park Management Trust, Downtown Development Authority and FIND Waterways Assistance Program</u>
ACCOUNT CODE(S): <u>331418</u>
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: <u>Install 16 large vessel mooring bollards along the north side of the FEC slip adjacent to Bicentennial Park to accommodate the mooring of visiting vessels including the Coast Guard Eagle</u>

HD/NIB MOTION 10-18

A MOTION TO FUND THE BICENTENNIAL PARK/MUSEUM PARK MOORING BOLLARDS.

MOVED: R. Powers
SECONDED: M. Cruz
ABSENT: R. Aedo, H. Arza, E. Broton, R. Lambert, G. Reshefsky, B. Sardiña Mann

Note for the Record: Motion passed by unanimous vote of all Board Members present.

IV. NEW INFORMATION ITEM:

1. Land Acquisition – 1814 Brickell Avenue

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the land acquisition was already approved by the City Commission and the item was placed on the agenda as an informational item. The City acquired 1814 Brickell Avenue for parks improvements. Right now the project is strictly an acquisition. However, some funds may be being identified for the development of the park. There were some homeland defense interest dollars used.

V. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. Defense and Security Equipment Acquisition

Assistant Fire Chief Valdora Arthur, Fire-Rescue, reported that there are two components of the defense and security acquisition project, one of which is the scuba gear. The scuba gear for the dive team was acquired in September 2009 and has been put in service for use by the dive team for a variety of water emergencies, such as drowning accidents, watercraft accidents, body recovery, and for training as well. The gear has significantly enhanced operational and training capabilities. The projected cost was \$34,000. The actual total cost was \$22,216, which was a savings of \$11,784. The other component of the defense and security acquisition project is the fire training burn tower and search facility. The burn tower building safely prepares firefighters to meet the challenges of live fires in a structure to accommodate a variety of different conceivable fire-training scenarios, such as residential, commercial, high-rise, shipboard fires, et cetera. Besides being essential for the training of the firefighters, subsequent to State rules, the training tower building is now a requirement with specific standards for training facilities in the state of Florida. In addition to the requirement of having a training tower, the State also is considering rule changes that have significantly affected the specifications for this training tower. Thus, it has prohibited the department from moving forward because the changes have not been adopted as of yet. Without knowing what these changes are, the department will hold off until the changes are actually adopted.

2. Dinner Key Mooring Field

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project consisted of the installation of 225 moorings in the upland facilities. The project was hard bid. The total construction cost was \$519,361. The project was completed over the summer and under budget. There was a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the summer with the previous administration. The users of the field are very pleased.

Chair Solares requested that the dock master building update include the anticipated generated revenue when the update comes back to the board, as well as for other marina projects.

3. Dinner Key Mitigation

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project was completed during the summer at a cost of \$229,673. The scope consisted of 1,000 cubic yards of riprap. The project was conventionally bid. Construction is 100 percent completed and the project is in the closeout phase.

Chair Solares requested that the PAF be updated for the next meeting to reflect the final numbers for the project.

4. Marine Stadium Marina Boat Rack Metal Roof Deck

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project scope consisted of the repair of the roof structure and decking for two boat racks. The project was delivered through the JOC program. The construction cost was \$127,000. The construction is 100 percent complete.

5. MiaMarina Emergency Repairs Pier No. 5

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the pier is located behind the Bayside Marketplace. The repair consisted of replacement of precast concrete stringers, replacement of wood decks with fiberglass, and upgrading the utility services. The project was a hard bid. The construction bid was \$1.12 million. The project was completed during the fall and is in the closeout stages.

Chair Solares requested that the PAF be updated for the next meeting to reflect the final numbers for the project.

6. Merrie Christmas Park New Swings

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project scope included the installation of a new rubber surface. The approximate cost for the project was \$42,600. Construction is completed.

7. Police Department Property Unit Outdoor Storage

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project scope included design and construction of an outdoor storage building for the Miami Police Department property unit division. The project consisted of a 600 square foot, 16 foot high conditioned warehouse building with heavy-duty steel storage shelves and 750 square feet of additional floor space. The construction cost was \$870,000. The project is roughly 50 percent complete in construction. Construction is estimated to be completed by late summer 2010.

8. Tamiami Storm Sewer Improvements – Construction Services

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the project consisted of drainage and roadway improvements. The sidewalks were replaced. The ADA ramps were reconstructed to ensure compliance with local codes. Swale treatments were done with sod. The project was hard bid. The bid was \$1.1 million. The project is complete and in the closeout phase. Right now the project is \$300,000 below the approved budget. However, there is a contractual claim that has been presented. Pending review and settlement of the claim, it will be determined how much the project is under budget.

9. New Gibson Park – Design Services

Ola Aluko, CIP Director, stated that the item was inadvertently placed as a new item. It is actually an update. On 3/11, the City Commission approved the contract to the contractor who will be designing and constructing the Gibson Park project. The project consists of a new artificial turf football field, a baseball field, a new multipurpose room, five classrooms, a new swimming pool, and a new playing area. The total project, including fees, was a little over \$10 million. However, \$9.7 million was the actual contract to the

contract. The project was approved unanimously by the City Commission for construction, and the CRA Board also approved it unanimously. The designs are expected to be completed some time late spring or early summer, with a groundbreaking in the summer.

VI. OLD BUSINESS - FOLLOW UP ITEMS FROM 2/23/10 MEETING:

1. How many acres of park land have been purchased with HD funds?
2. Is there a plan for acquisition of new park land?
3. NE 2nd Avenue Project Presentation.
4. How many dollars have been spent to date on projects whose funds increased due to design modification required by FDOT?
5. Cost paid to contractor to date for Roberto Clemente Park/New Dorothy Quintana Community Center.
6. Updated spreadsheet of all HD dollars.
7. Request for Parks' Director or his designee to be in attendance in all future BOB Meetings to answer any maintenance/operations questions.

The agenda packet for the 3/23/10 meeting contained the requested answers and information for the follow-up items from the 2/23/10 meeting.

Robert Powers requested that the updated spreadsheet (#6) include a column identifying interest amounts.

VII. CHAIRMAN OPEN AGENDA:

VIII. ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

➤ **Quorum Requirements**

Robert Powers wanted to know how the board could change its quorum requirements to have the majority of the members present constitute a quorum.

Robin Jones-Jackson, Assistant City Attorney, stated that a comparison was distributed at the last meeting showing the current provisions for the board and the quorum and voting requirements for every other board that has a different system other than 50 plus 1. The recommendation at that time and the current recommendation is that each board member speak with the Commissioners or Mayor that appointed them regarding an ordinance change. If directed by the board, an ordinance can be drafted with the suggested changes, but the ordinance will need to go to the City Commission for two readings and a public hearing.

Pablo Perez-Cisneros suggested that if a board member is absent for three meetings, he or she should be removed from the board automatically.