

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tigertail Beach Boardwalk Category “A” Grant Application Amendment

OBJECTIVE: Recommend approval of the Tigertail Beach Boardwalk Category “A” grant application amendment.

CONSIDERATIONS: Update the Coastal Advisory Committee and share package to be presented to the Tourist Development Council on August 22, 2005 and the Board of County Commissioners.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Coastal Advisory Committee: On August 11, 2005 the CAC was presented this item for information purposes only.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: On May 18, 2005 PARAB recommended approval of this item.

COUNTY ATTORNEY FINDING: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT IMPACT: There is no impact to the Growth Management Plan related to this action.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of this item.

PREPARED BY: Gary McAlpin, Coastal Project Manager

**COLLIER COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

TDC MEETING DATE: August 22, 2005

SUBJECT: Tigertail Beach Park Boardwalk Amended Grant

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$0.

BACKGROUND: In 2002, the CAC, TDC and BCC approved a TDC grant for \$200,000 for the “Tigertail Beach Park Walkway Design”. This grant was for the design and permitting of a boardwalk from Tigertail Beach to Sand Dollar Island. The funds were budgeted and became available in October 2002. The project was not begun at that time because Taylor Engineering was in the beginning of a separate study for the Collier County Beach Utility Department about the dynamics of Sand Dollar Island and the County wanted to wait for that study’s completion and review. Following the acceptance of the Taylor Sand Dollar Island study, Parks and Recreation Department determined that the scope of the Boardwalk study should be narrowed down to that of a feasibility study of the design and permitting potential for the walkway. On July 29, 2004 Taylor Engineering was hired by Parks and Recreation via Work Order # TE-FT-04-02 for \$40,733 to prepare the “Tigertail Beach Park Boardwalk Feasibility Study.” Taylor completed the study and the final report was distributed to the CAC on March 10, 2005 for information only. The study explained the difficulty in permitting a boardwalk to Sand Dollar Island, the opposition to be encountered, and the possible steps to accomplish the permitting if it was determined to proceed. At the March 16, 2005 PARAB meeting, the board was presented with the study and expressed opposition to the boardwalk to Sand Dollar Island concept. At that time, Park’s staff presented a different recommendation than the consultant’s study in which the County would not pursue a boardwalk to Sand Dollar Island. Instead, Parks would propose a pedestrian dune walkover from the existing southernmost Tigertail Beach parking lot to the closest sand beach edge and also construct a restroom in the parking lot. This alternate concept was welcomed by PARAB and they unanimously recommended its approval. On March 28, 2005 Taylor Engineering presented the entire Tigertail Beach Park Boardwalk Feasibility Study to the TDC for their discussion, including a recommendation for the dunewalkover and restroom concept. The TDC recommended approval of this alternate concept. On April 12, 2005 the BCC was presented with the Feasibility Study and the alternate concept. The BCC directed staff to bring forth the alternate plan to the Beach Access Workshop II, which was held on June 7, 2005. During the May 18, 2005 PARAB meeting, PARAB approved the Beach Access project list which included the Tigertail Beach restroom and dune walkover concept. At the June 7, 2005 Beach Access Workshop, the BCC approved the restroom and dune walkover concept and asked staff to proceed with the project. In order for staff to fund the design and permitting of the project, it is

necessary for staff to submit this amended TDC grant. This amended grant serves to re-direct the funds currently remaining and available in the Tigertail Beach Boardwalk Feasibility Study and revise the scope of the project to allow for the design and permitting of the restroom and dune walkover with these funds. No increase in funds are needed to proceed with this project.

REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: PARAB voted unanimously to approve the restroom and dune walkover project at their May 18, 2005 meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff suggests the TDC recommend

TDC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVED

DENIED

COMMENTS _____

TDC DIRECTOR

DATE

COLLIER COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**CATEGORY "A" GRANT APPLICATION****Beach Renourishment and Pass Maintenance****Tigertail Beach Walkway Design (Amended Grant)****(Project Title)****1. Name and Address of Project Sponsor Organization:**

Collier County Parks and Recreation
3300 Santa Barbara Boulevard
Naples, Florida 34116

2. Contact Person, Title and Phone Number:

Name: Murdo Smith, Beach and Water Manager

Address: 3300 Santa Barbara Boulevard

City: Naples **ST:** FL **ZIP:** 34116

Phone: 239-353-0404 **FAX:** 239-353-1002

Other: murdosmith@colliergov.net

3. Organization's Chief Official and Title:

Fred W. Coyle, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners

4. Details of Project- Description and Location:

In 2002, the TDC and the BCC approved a TDC grant for \$200,000 for the Tigertail Beach Walkway Design project in Marco Island. This project consisted of the design and permitting of a boardwalk from Tigertail Beach to Sand Dollar Island. Since that time, Taylor Engineering was hired for \$40,733 to prepare a feasibility study for the boardwalk. This study was presented to the CAC, PARAB, TDC, and BCC in March and April of 2005. Due to intense environmental permitting issues and public opposition, the County decided not to pursue the permitting of the Sand Dollar Island boardwalk. Instead, the County proposed a pedestrian dune walkover and restroom from the south Tigertail Beach Park parking lot to provide more convenient beach access. This concept was approved by the TDC, PARAB and BCC. This amended grant is necessary to proceed with the design and permitting of the restroom and dune walkover project by revising the original project scope and allowing the remaining project funds to be used for this amended project.

5. Estimated project start date: August, 2005 (amended project start date)

Tigertail Beach Entrance (Amended Grant)
(Project Title)

6. Estimated project duration: 24 months (8/2007)
7. Total TDC Tax Funds Requested: original grant: \$200,000
(this request) amended grant: \$ 0,000
new project total \$200,000
8. If the full amount requested cannot be awarded, can the program/project be restructured to accommodate a smaller award?
- Yes () No (X)

PROJECT BUDGET

<u>PROGRAM ELEMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
TDC Funds Requested (new)	\$ 0
City/Taxing District Share	\$ _____
State of Florida Share	\$ _____
Federal Share	\$ _____

TOTAL \$ 0

PROJECT EXPENSES:
(Engineering, Mobilization, Contractor, Monitoring etc)

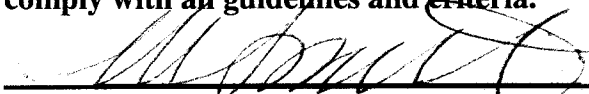
Design/ Permitting \$158,800 (remaining project funds)

TOTAL \$158,800

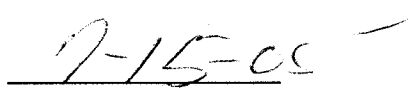
This amended grant was reviewed by PARAB on 5/18/5 and they unanimously recommended approval.

Tigertail Beach Walkway Design (Amended Grant)
(Project Title)

I have read the Tourist Development Category "A" Beach Funding Policy covering beach renourishment and pass maintenance and agree that my organization will comply with all guidelines and criteria.



Signature of Sponsor Organization's Chief Official



Date