

December 9, 2021

MINUTES OF THE COLLIER COUNTY
COASTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Naples, Florida, December 9, 2021

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, the Collier County Coastal Advisory Committee, in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 1:00 P.M. in REGULAR SESSION at Administrative Building “F,” 3rd Floor, Collier County Government Complex, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN: David Trecker
VICE CHAIRMAN: Joseph Burke
Steve Koziar
Thomas McCann
Jim Burke (via Zoom)
Robert Raymond (excused)
Erik Brechnitz (excused)
Robert Roth
Raymond Christman (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Andy Miller, Principal Project Manager
Colleen Greene, Assistant County Attorney
Farron Bevard, Operations Analyst

Any persons in need of the verbatim record of the meeting may request a copy of the video recording from the Collier County Communications and Customer Relations Department or view online.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Trecker called the meeting to order at 1 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Roll Call

Roll call was taken and a quorum of six was established.

Mr. McCann moved to allow Mr. Burke to participate in the meeting telephonically due to an extraordinary circumstance. Second by Mr. Koziar. Carried unanimously, 5-0; Mr. Burke abstained.

IV. Changes and Approval of Agenda

Mr. McCann moved to approve the agenda. Second by Mr. Koziar. Carried unanimously, 6-0.

V. Public Comments

None

VI. Approval of CAC Minutes

1. October 14, 2021

Mr. McCann moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2021, as presented. Second by Mr. Koziar. Carried unanimously, 6-0.

VII. Staff Reports

1. Extended Revenue Report

The Committee reviewed the “FY21 TDC Revenue Report” dated October 31, 2021.

Mr. Miller noted that tax revenue numbers are outstanding, as they have been all year, with collections 44.9 percent above budget projections for the year. The Pass Maintenance 195 Fund is more than \$4.3 million over what was budgeted, and the FY22 report will be provided next month.

During Committee discussion, it was noted:

- The over-budget amount stays with the committee for 2022, in addition to what’s adopted.
- Revenues will be rolled over to FY22
- Intra-fund transfers are permissible but require approval by the CAC and BCC after it’s determined how much is allocated to each fund.
- Before an intra-fund transfer, the CAC must work with the Budget Department.
- There is a board-approved funding policy, and County ordinances and resolutions require funds to go through a fixed distribution, which considers the

source of the funds.

- Ms. Greene will provide the committee with copies of the ordinance and resolution, and an update at the next meeting.

VIII. New Business

1. Update on the FY2022 Beach Renourishment Truck-Haul Project

Mr. Miller presented the “*2022 Beach Renourishment Truck Haul Project Map*” for informational purposes and provided the following update:

- The beach renourishment project is on track and Naples Beach was finished last week, with only a few minor punch-list items.
- Hauling started at Vanderbilt Beach last Wednesday and is now up to 25,000 tons out of 118,000 tons, so workers are making good progress.
- Work will be finished down to Vanderbilt Beach Road by Christmas.
- Work will stop for a one-week break, from Christmas to January 2, and finish in mid-January, unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- Hoteliers have some concerns about guests and limitations due to construction equipment on the beach but are pleased with the project.
- The equipment is large and dangerous, but there are enough workers/spotters to ensure people can enjoy the beach while staying out of danger/construction zones.

Mr. McCann inquired whether there were any unusual or unplanned difficulties.

Mr. Miller said there were no incidents or significant damage, just one minor accident involving a truck striking a Golden Gate Parkway median, with no significant damage, just torn-up sod.

2. ES Recommendation to award Invitation to Bid (“ITB”) No. 21-7935, “Wiggins Pass and Doctors Pass Dredge 2021-2022,” to Waterfront Property Services LLC, dba Gator Dredging, in the amount of \$2,197,180.

Mr. Miller detailed the bid and recommended awarding the Invitation to Bid to Waterfront Property Services LLC, dba Gator Dredging, and to approve the attached budget amendments. (Countywide Capital Projects Fund 301 / TDC Beach Renourishment and Pass Maintenance Fund 195, Project No. 80288 and 90549). He reported:

- That it’s budgeted for FY24 but major dredging at both passes is typically done every four years. The last time a major dredge was done was 2018, so this is near schedule.
- There has been least one pseudo-grounding at various water depths, including high tide, which is unacceptable, and the pass has been filling up.
- This summer, in anticipation, the County asked APTIM to move the design and permitting up.
- This is very important to Wiggins Pass users.

During Committee discussion, the following was noted:

- That the roughly \$2 million cost was in line with past dredging costs.
- There was no time to wait for CAC and TDC, which does not meet in

December, so it was advanced by going to the CAC and BCC.

- To do that, General Funds money was used and will be repaid.
- BCC approval is expected on December 14, 2021, get the contract processed and begin dredging in early January.
- About 50,000-60,000 cubic yards will be taken from Wiggins Pass and 25,000-30,000 cubic yards from Doctor's Pass.
- All sand being removed is being recycled.
- The state DEP is working on a land-use agreement to put recycled sand from Wiggins Pass on the state park beach. Doctor's Pass sand will go to Lowdermilk Park beach.
- Per cubic yard, recycled sand is considerably cheaper than truck hauling.

Mr. Burke moved to recommend the Board of County Commissioners award the contract to Waterfront Property Services LLC, dba Gator Dredging, and approve the attached budget amendments (Countywide Capital Projects Fund 301/TDC Beach Renourishment and Pass Maintenance Fund 195, Project No. 80288 & 90549) and to find that this item promotes tourism. Second by Mr. McCann. Carried unanimously, 6-0.

3. ES APTIM Environmental & Infrastructure LLC Consulting Services in Support of Collier Creek FEMA Eligibility Analysis.

Mr. Miller reported that FEMA initially denied the county's application to fund removing debris from Collier Creek related to Hurricane Irma. However, a few months ago, FEMA granted an appeal based on certain conditions, with the main condition being recalculating volumes based on August 2017 pre-storm surveys, before Hurricane Irma, and post-storm surveys from November or January 2018. In the end, \$4,993 is eligible for reimbursement, so the county will not only be repaid for recalculations, but a substantial amount for debris removal from Hurricane Irma, about \$500,000.

During Committee discussion, the following was noted:

- This is not going out to bid, it's taking out a contract on a rotational basis and APTIM is one of three firms that does that.
- A final design is in place for moving the terminal jetty and extending it out to the river, but the county is waiting for permits.
- Before working on the jetty project, the County needs to finish the beach renourishment project, Wiggins Pass and Doctor's Pass dredges and a significant dune-planting project, which could take until the spring and summer.
- The jetty project will keep scarring down if another hurricane hits.
- Work on the jetty will be put out to bid in November 2022, after the end of the next turtle nesting season.
- Permits are being reviewed and approval is expected around the first of the year.
- The work is important to Marco Island.

Mr. McCann moved to approve. Second by Mr. Burke. Carried unanimously, 6-0.

4. Discussion – Water Quality Subcommittee Meeting

Mr. Roth reported that he, Mr. Miller and some staff members met twice to discuss concepts to bring to the sub-committee, which has yet to meet discuss its ideas and those that he, Mr. Miller and staff came up with. He wants to choose a date for a meeting in January.

Mr. Miller said he will contact everyone to select a date and a public notice will be sent out.

IX. Old Business

None

X. Announcements

None

XI. Committee Member Discussion

Mr. McCann noted that dates for 2022 meetings were erroneously listed as 2021 on the public announcement.

XII. Next Meeting

1 p.m. January 13, 2022

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the chair at 1:27 P.M.

Collier County Coastal Advisory Committee

David Trecker, Chairman

These minutes were approved by the Committee on _____,
as presented, _____ or as amended _____.