

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
November 6, 2006**

1. Attendance – See Attendance Sheet attachment.

The Vacancy for the North Beach Representative has been filled. The new Committee member is Mr. Luis Salom.

Vacancies remained for Middle Beach and Transportation and Parking Representative.

2. Review and Acceptance of October 9, 2006 meeting minutes.

ACTION: Deede Jeryl Weithorn motioned to approve the minutes (with one change on attendance. Mr. Scott Needleman was incorrectly listed as absent from the October 9 Meeting. This has been changed on the attendance record).

Seconded (unknown by whom).

MINUTES APPROVED.

3. Project Status Report

a. Update on Fire Station No. 2

The issue of window approval by the County has been resolved. Most of the windows have now been installed, so completion of interior installation can now continue without delay. Some additional components were added to enhance operations and functionality of the EOC. These additional installations also delayed this project. Once all the windows are fully installed, this project is expected to move along and completion, including the issuance of a CO, is expected in early 2007. It was noted that no additional costs were associated with any of the delays.

b. Update on Fire Station No. 4

This project is substantially complete and is moving into final inspections and recognition and completion of punch-list items. A celebration was held on November 3, 2006 for the Mayor and Commission, Fire Department Officials, Project Managers and construction personnel as well as community leadership. The Fire Station will be occupied and operational by early 2007.

c. Update on Normandy Isle Park and Pool

There is progress being made on this project, as the pool deck will be poured very soon. Substantial completion is expected early in 2007. At the last meeting, the discussion centered on the poorly-stored and subsequently damaged pool pump equipment. After review of the equipment, CIP has decided to purchase new equipment for the Normandy Isle Pool.

4. North Beach Project Summaries

DISCUSSION:

Deede Jeryl Weithorn invited members of the public who were in attendance to come forward to request discussion on particular projects. All the neighborhoods in North Beach were represented by Homeowner Association (HOA) Presidents. Other residents were also in attendance.

Please note: This discussion took place out of order, before the project summaries in item 3.

The following people requested information about their respective neighborhoods and nearby projects:

Margueritte Ramos, HOA President for Normandy Isles and Normandie Sud
Deborah Rugeiro, HOA President for Park View Island
Daniel Veitia, NBDC Normandy Shores HOA
Sylvia Knight, resident of North Shore
Dharma Murvaind, resident of Normandie Sud
Mike Rothbart, North Beach resident
Alex Bichel, resident of Belle Isle
Lucero Levy, HOA President of Biscayne Point

Normandy Isles/Normandie Sud:

Mr. Jorge E. Chartrand presented information about the project status and schedule. The permitting for this project requires additional coordination with the State since the roadway belongs, in part, to FDOT. All State permits have been received. CIP is waiting for permits from the City of Miami Beach. Construction is anticipated in late spring/early summer of 2007.

Normandy Shores:

CIP is discussing proposal from a JOC contractor. Once reviewed, the proposal will be submitted to Commission for approval at the December 6 meeting. If approved, construction can begin early in 2007.

Beachfront Restrooms:

73rd Street Bathroom is included in the planning of an overall master plan that is also part of Bandshell Park. No progress will occur on this particular bathroom until the master plan is completed.

Bandshell Park:

CIP is involved, along with other departments, in the renovation of the band shell at Bandshell Park. A Master Plan for all the beachfront parks in North Beach is still in the early phase. Funding and planning are being worked out internally with the City Planning Dept, Public Works, Parks and CIP. A preliminary study was done and is being used as a reference point for the project planning.

Daniel Veitia requested that the Committee call for an update from the City Administration on the progress of North Shore Oceanfront Parks master Plan.

ACTION: Motion put forward for GOBOC to request a status report on the North Shore Oceanfront Parks Master Plan (including beachfront restrooms) from the City Administration with a request to give direction to the CIP Office based on this plan.

North Shore Open Space Park:

The Nature Center is not included in a timetable, nor is it funded. There are issues with the County maintenance facility that currently occupies part of the park.

North Shore ROW:

This project is close to being on-schedule. Currently, 60% construction documents have been submitted and are being reviewed. Submittal of 90% construction documents is anticipated in the summer of 2008.

Sylvia Knight, a local resident complained about aesthetic and social problems along Collins Avenue from 69th to 74th Streets. The Committee directed Ms. Knight to submit her concerns to the City Manager and to the North Beach Development Corp. The Committee requested, informally, that Jorge Chartrand convey to the City Commission the concerns about cleanliness and public safety in the North Beach neighborhoods.

Alex Bichel, a resident of Belle Isle asked a question about the contingency report from last meeting, which Jorge Chartrand answered. He also stated that he thought the CIP Office -- and the contractor, Alpine Construction, in particular -- were doing a very good job on the Belle Isle and Belle Isle Park project.

Fairway Park:

Daniel Veitia asked that additional funding be allocated for the Fairway Park project for a new fence to replace the chain-link fence. Luis Salom added that sod be replaced at Fairway and North Shore Park. Jorge Chartrand indicated that this information would be brought to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Biscayne Point ROW:

Construction documents are close to 60% completion. As soon as they are ready, CIP will announce the date and time of the community meeting.

Fire Station #4:

Information on this project is contained in item 3b, above.

Normandy Shores Golf Course:

Permitting issues, particularly involving the drainage wells, took much longer than expected. DERM will be issuing a permit shortly, which means that all permits will be completed and we can proceed into construction. Invitations to bid for construction can begin in early 2007 and construction is anticipated to begin in the summer. The design of the restrooms, clubhouse, etc. will be handled as a design/build project. This portion of the project is also moving along well. In order to facilitate this project, the City's Property Management Department may proceed with demolition of the existing restrooms in advance of the construction of the clubhouse and other structures.

Normandy Park and Pool:

See information in item 3c.

5. Informational Items

(A) Updated Calendar of Scheduled Community Meetings

The updated Calendar of Scheduled Community Meetings was presented but not reviewed.

(B) 2006 – 2007 Meeting Schedule

The meeting schedule is included in the agenda packet. The next meeting will focus on projects funded by the GO Bond, but not managed by CIP.

The Committee adjourned at 7:05 PM. The next meeting will be held December 4, 2006. The meeting focus will be on those projects funded through GOB, but managed by departments other than CIP.

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