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COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Finance and Citywide Projects Committee

FROM: Jimmy Morales, City Manager

DATE: April 25, 2013

SUBJECT: **DISCUSSION REGARDING BAYFRONT TO MIAMI FERRY AND A PROPOSAL TO RENT THE OLD PILOT HOUSE SOUTH OF MIAMI BEACH MARINA**

STATUS UPDATE

This matter was referred for discussion by Commissioner Jonah Wolfson on April 13, 2011, to the Finance & Citywide Projects Committee. At the time, the City had been approached by Biscayne Xpress, LLC, a private entity interested in starting a ferry/water taxi service from Bayfront to Miami Beach South Pointe Park. Biscayne Xpress wanted to rent the "Old Pilot House" south of Miami Beach Marina from the City.

After conducting research, Staff determined that the "Old Pilot House" is a reference to a pilot house, long since demolished, which was on the east side of South Pointe Park. The ferry company's interest, however, was in utilizing an existing 50 foot dormant boatslip on the west side of South Pointe Park. The boatslip, which accommodated large vessels in the past, is located off the baywalk behind what is now the Apogee condominium building, and is immediately off the west edge of the current Dog Off-Leash Pilot Program Area.

Subsequently, a second private entity, Water Taxi Miami, expressed an interest in renting the boat slip from the City. While staff was researching potential deed restrictions and considering if neighborhood opposition might thwart any efforts to entertain lease proposals from the two private entities for use of the dormant boatslip, both entities negotiated directly with Miami Beach Marina and are currently operating ferry/water taxi services with coordinated drop-offs and pick-ups from the fuel dock at the marina. The Miami Beach Marina is a tenant of the City's and pays a percentage of its gross receipts to the City as rent.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration is recommending that this referral be closed out.

JLM/KGB/AP

F&CWP Pending Items - Commission Referrals

Item #	Title	Referred By	Date Referred	Handled By	Note
1	Status update on Business Tax Process Improvement.	Jorge R. Exposito		Patricia Walker Kathie Brooks	Awaiting new business tax system
4	Additional proposed amendment to the City's Living Wage Ordinance Mandating Health Benefits Plan	City Managers Office	September 27, 2011 Commission Item R7E	Raul Aguilá	per Raul Aguilá - waiting for the Supreme Court to rule on this
6	Discussion of responses received from the Request For Letters of Interest (RFLI) for a North Beach parking garage	City Managers Office		Richard Lorber Joyce Meyers	
13	Amendment to City's Cone of Silence Ordinance	Matti Herrera Bower	June 09, 2010 Commission Item C4C	Raul Aguilá	per Raul Aguilá...defer until further notice; (01/06/12)
18	Discussion Bayfront to Miami Ferry and a proposal to rent the Old Pilot House south of Miami Beach Marina.	Jonah Wolfson	April 13, 2011 Commission Item C4M	Anna Parekh	Administration is researching pending direction from Commissioner Wolfson
26	Discussion regarding Advertising RFP	Jorge R. Exposito	September 14, 2011 Commission Item R7H	Max Sklar	
50	Discussion regarding a recommendation by the GLBT Committee to address the issue of benefits tax inequality for City Employees with registered domestic partners versus legally married spouses	Matti Herrera Bower	March 21, 2012 Commission Item C4L	Raul Aguilá Carla Gomez Sue Radig	Same as item 93
61	Discussion on water conservation methods and implementation	Jonah Wolfson	June 6, 2012 Commission Item C4G	Jay Fink	
63	Discussion regarding the collection of City Liens	Edward L. Tobin	June 6, 2012 Commission Item C4J	Patricia Walker	
69	Discussion regarding "Booting" Services and raising the allowable rate per vehicle, which is now \$25 each	Matti Herrera Bower	July 18, 2012 Commission Item C4J	Saul Frances	Per Saul Frances, this item is not ready
70A	Discussion Regarding Budget Advisory Committee recommended Pension Reform policies and guidelines	City Managers Office	July 18, 2012 Commission Item C4L/R9G (withdrawn by Exposito) October 24, 2012 Commission Item C4I	Jose Smith Carla Gomez	2/20/13 The Committee assigned the item to Chairperson Deede Weithorn. The item was deferred to be further discussed at either an April or May Finance meeting with an LTC being issued on how this item will be handled to allow all Commissioners to participate.
78	Discussion regarding the issue of encouraging businesses to support the effort of implementing more homeless meters.	Deede Weithorn	October 24, 2012 Commission Item PA6	Anna Parekh	
80	Referral To Finance And Citywide Projects Committee - Discussion Regarding: Business Tax Receipt Renewal Notices; How We Handle Over Charges; Reasons For Miscalculations; And Corrective Action Plan.	Jorge R. Exposito	October 24, 2012 Commission Item C4B	Patricia Walker	1/24/13 Monitor this item and bring it back before the Committee in November 2013 to see how it worked.
82	Referral To The Finance And Citywide Projects Committee - Discussion Regarding An Amendment To The Lease Between The City And Massage Partners, Inc., Located At 767 17th Street, Said Amendment Regarding A Proposed Additional Use Of The Leased Premises, A Proposal To Grant Necessary Access To Additional Restroom Facilities; And A Corresponding Rent Adjustment.	City Managers Office	October 24, 2012 Commission Item C4D	Anna Parekh	The Committee requested a standby LOC be issued for the liens that have been filed. Will determine appropriate CAM use when it's brought back to the Committee with the requested info.
84	Discussion related to the explanation and viability of City's Self Funded Health Insurance Plan.	Jorge R. Exposito	October 24, 2012 Commission Item C4L	Carla Gomez	pending recommendation from BAC
87	Discussion regarding giving guidance to the IT Steering Committee to review the pros and cons of becoming a paperless environment and create new policies and procedures to be implemented within the City of Miami Beach.	Jorge R. Exposito	October 24, 2012 Commission Item R9H	Gladys Gonzalez	2/20/13 The Committee assigned the item to Commissioner Jorge Exposito who will meet with the IT Steering Committee to further discuss how to phase the project and what would be the best plan of action and what would be the timeframe to implement.
93	Discuss Benefits For City Employees.	Michael Gongora	December 12, 2012 Commission Item C4F	Sue Radig Silvia Crespo-Tabak	same as Item 50
94	Discussion Regarding Police Athletic League (PAL) Lease.	City Managers Office	December 12, 2012 Commission Item C4K	Max Sklar	1/24/13 The Committee recommended going ahead and negotiating the figures that can be brought back to the Finance Committee with the lease and measureables that can be provided to the community. Pending deliverables from PAL 3/15/13 Pending measureables from PAL
97	Discussion regarding a proposed marketing program for Sunscreen and an update on other potential marketing partnerships	City Managers Office	June 6, 2012 Commission Item C4I	Max Sklar	All Committee Members will present their questions to M. Sklar so that they can be discussed and brought back to the FCWPC
101	A Discussion Regarding Upgrade To Municipal Parking Garage Gated Revenue Control System.	City Managers Office	January 16, 2013 Commission Item C4J	Saul Frances	
110	Discussion regarding to review the 28 rules to determine what can be done when performing City projects, to avoid doing double work and increasing the cost. /Discussion regarding the implementation of the regional climate action plan	Matti Herrera Bower	February 6, 2013 Commission Item R7B	Jay Fink Kathie G. Brooks	

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122	Discussion regarding fine schedules and enforcement of the City of Miami Beach Code provisions for Police and Fire false alarms, implementing additional fines for false alarms, implementing additional fines for false alarms, and contracting with an outside entity for billing and collection services for false alarm fees	Managers Office	March 13, 2013 Commission Item C4G	Ray Martinez / Chief Overton / Javier Otero	
123	Discussion regarding the Florida's Safe Routes to School Program (FLSRTS)	Jorge R. Exposito	March 13, 2013 Commission Item C4H	Jay Fink	
124	Discussion regarding permit expiration courtesy notices;Amnesty for expired permits;And length of time for building permits	Deede Weithorn	March 13, 2013 Commission Item C4O	Stephen Scott	
125	Discussion to consider the Travel Channel's proposal to film a documentary with Miami Beach	Michael Gongora	April 17, 2013 Commission Item C4K	Max Sklar	
126	Discussion regarding Labor Peace Agreements	Jorge R. Exposito	April 17, 2013 Commission Item C4L		
127	Discussion regarding small cells on existing poles	Michael Gongora	April 17, 2013 Commission Item C4I		
128	Discussion regarding a resolution to approving in substance the terms of a professional services agreement with The International City/County Management Association ("ICMA") for review and recommendations for efficiencies for the Fire Department;Authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney's Office to negotiate and draft the agreement based upon the approved terms;And authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the final agreement in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.	City Managers Office	April 17, 2013 Commission Item C4I		