

BLUEWATER BAY MSBU
BOARD of DIRECTORS BUDGET WORKSHOP
Public Meeting
July 12, 2016

I. Call to Order

Chairman Debbie Stretch called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Directors Judy Griffin, Steve Boswell, Felix Beukenkamp and David Costa, Jr. The presence of a quorum was confirmed. Also present were Mike Griffith with the Bay Beacon, David Vardaman and George Sebren. Representing Bluewater Management Services were Darlane Landsberger and Meredith Collins.

A. 2017 - 2018 Fiscal Year – Prioritize Project Listing

Ms. Stretch explained that in previous meetings the subject of a future one-time special assessment to fund needed projects, was discussed.

Ms. Griffin reported meeting with Landscape Architect, Brad Davis to discuss the type of replacement trees to use when the current pear trees on Bluewater Boulevard fail. Mr. Davis recommended white bloom crepe myrtles as a good replacement. Ms. Griffin suggested incorporating ornamental grasses to further enhance the median.

Ms. Griffin reported the pursuit of a \$100,000 Florida Department of Transportation highway beautification grant for the median of Highway 20 from Lancaster to White Point Road. The grant will include the cost of design, irrigation, plants and trees. They also like to see the community support the project and commit to maintaining the landscape. The Florida Department of Transportation coordinator, Ms. Dustie Moss does not recommend spending money on a plan until after funding is approved. Ms. Griffin asked the MSBU Board for input and ideas for the estimated two (2) mile stretch.

Mr. Beukenkamp recommended that Ms. Griffin speak with Brad Davis, Landscape Architect, Elliot Kampert with the County and Lee Lewis with AVCON for help with the grant. Ms. Griffin reported that the grant application questions are very specific. Ms. Landsberger was asked to forward the grant information to Mr. Beukenkamp. Ms. Landsberger also reported that local resident, Holley Booyse volunteered to review the grant application prior to submission to the County.

Mr. Costa reported that the City of Niceville and Valparaiso have also successfully applied for FDOT beautification grants which included irrigation.

Ms. Stretch asked what timeline should be considered by the Board for requesting a one-time special assessment. Ms. Landsberger stated the projects would not be started until the 2017-2018 budget cycle. She suggested that workshops should be planned during the next year to address designs, costs and community input.

2016 – 2017 Project List – See Attached:

Mr. Beukenkamp reported that he spoke with the Engineering Department at the County and they will make the necessary sidewalk repairs on Bay Drive. This should be removed from the 2017-2018 Project Lists. Also, remove the use of Restore Act – Transocean Grant Money.

Mr. Beukenkamp asked why the sidewalk projects are on the Project List since they are budget items. Ms. Griffin suggested that the Board keep this line item to include lighting, landscaping and benches, along the sidewalks. All agreed.

Ms. Griffin reported that the previously approved sod installation along Bay Drive has not been completed due to a sub-contractor issue. Ms. Griffin reported that Bahia grass will be installed to cover as much area as a "roll" of sod would cover. She reported the installation will start at the top of Bay Drive and work town toward the tennis center. Ms. Griffin also reported that damaged grass in the medians will need to be replaced.

II. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. with a motion from Ms. Griffin.

Submitted by: Meredith Collins

Approved by: Debbie Stretch

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2017 – 2018 Project List:

Maintenance:

1	Tree Removal and Pruning along walking paths	\$6,600
2	Pressure washing concrete curbing	\$6,000
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Improvements:

1	Replace red tip shrubs at the Marina	\$3,500
2	Renovate medians at Hwy 20 – grass is all weeds	\$15-20,000
3	Remove block walls and install perennials	\$3,000
4	Redesign Monument Signs on Bluewater Boulevard	\$10,000
5	Sidewalk at Winged Foot Drive enhancements	\$3,000
6	Sidewalk at Woodlands Drive enhancements	\$3,000
7	Add gravel and grade parking area on Southwind Dr.	\$2,000
8	Lighting, landscaping and benches along the sidewalks	
8a.	Winged Foot sidewalk	
8b.	Woodlands sidewalk	
8c.	Southwind sidewalk	
9	Remove and replace pear trees on BWB Blvd.	
10	Remove and replace traffic control signs on roads	
11	Remove and replace street signs on MSBU roads	
12	Enhancements to Bay Drive/Bluewater Boulevard walking/biking trails	
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