# MINUTES OF MEETING TOSCANA ISLES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors of the Toscana Isles Community Development District held a Regular Meeting on August 9, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., at Comfort Suites Sarasota – Siesta Key, 5690 Honore Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34233.

#### Present were:

Alex Hays Chair Brian Watson (via telephone) Vice Chair

Daniel Peshkin Assistant Secretary
Jeffrey Sweater Assistant Secretary
Michael LaBoe Assistant Secretary

# Also present were:

Cindy Cerbone District Manager

Jamie Sanchez Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC (WHA)
Daniel Rom (via telephone) Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC (WHA)

Vanessa Steinerts District Counsel
John Peshkin (via telephone) LALP Development

Off-Duty Police Officer

#### FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

# Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Cerbone called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. All Supervisors were present.

# SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS Discussion/Consideration: Meeting Duration [1 hour]

Ms. Cerbone stated that the meeting was anticipated to last no more than one hour. The Board agreed that one hour was sufficient time.

# THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS Public Comments [10 minutes]

There were no public comments.

# **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS [5 minutes]**

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Ms. Cerbone presented the following Consent Agenda Items:

# FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Discussion: Requisition(s)

- A. No. 325, LALP Development, LLC [\$53.47]
- B. No. 326, PRECISION Gate & Security, Inc. [\$3,475.00]
- C. No. 327, Rothco Signs & Design, Inc. [\$2,134.65]
- D. No. 328, Duraserv Corp dba Action Automatic Door and Gate [\$27,750.00]
- E. No. 329, AM Engineering, LLC [\$10,556.04]
- F. No. 330, Nostalgic Lampposts & Mailboxes PLUS, Inc. [\$780.00]
- G. No. 331, Juniper Landscaping of Florida, LLC [\$1,725.00]
- H. No. 332, Guy's Hauling & Dumpster Service, Inc. [\$372.87]

# FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Ratification of Agreement(s)/Proposal(s)

- A. Juniper Landscaping of Florida, LLC #120071 New Entry Landscape Lighting [\$13,395.00]
- B. Nostalgic Lampposts & Mailboxes PLUS Estimate #1838, Post Enhancement for Towing and Community Signage [\$490.00]
- Universal Engineering Sciences, LLC UES Opportunity No.: 1130.0721.00057,
   Installation of Four (4) Piezometers Within Tennis Courts
- D. Steve Breen Enterprises, LLC, Contract, Wood Trellis [\$3,250.00]

#### SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of July 31, 2021

Ms. Cerbone stated that the heading above misstated the date; the date should be "as of June 30, 2021", not July 31, 2021.

#### **SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Approval of July 14, 2021 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes

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Ms. Cerbone stated that any Board Member could single out an item for further

examination; otherwise, it would be assumed that the items were previously reviewed and

accepted.

On MOTION by Mr. Peshkin and seconded by Mr. Hays, with all in favor, the

Consent Agenda Items identified in the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Orders

of Business, were approved and/or ratified and/or accepted.

**BUSINESS ITEMS** 

**EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS** 

Discussion: RFP for Second Lift of Asphalt

[10 minutes]

Ms. Cerbone stated a second lift of asphalt is necessary in the applicable areas. She

recalled that this item was discussed during previous meetings but in different contexts. She

reviewed the Request for Proposals (RFP) process, including Board authorization for Staff to

work with the Developer and Mr. Hays, drafting and advertising the RFP, the 30-day advertising

window, bid opening, pre-bid meeting, evaluation of respondents and awarding the contract.

Regarding the meeting to evaluate and award the contract, Ms. Cerbone stated she

would not recommend any date prior to September 22, 2021, in order to ensure that potential

respondents have sufficient time to submit their bids, as required by the Florida Statues. She

asked if the Board was amenable to cancelling the September 1, 2021 meeting and scheduling

a later date in September and authorizing CDD Staff to commence the RFP process.

On MOTION by Mr. Peshkin and seconded by Mr. Sweater, with all in favor, authorizing Staff to commence the RFP process and rescheduling the

September 1, 2021 meeting to a later date in September, was approved.

**NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS** 

Update: DR Horton's Conveyance of CDD

**Budget Information to Home Buyers [5** 

minutes]

Ms. Cerbone recalled that, at the last meeting, several residents indicated that DR

Horton did not explain to them that the assessments could vary. She reported the following:

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Mr. Sweater offered to contact DR Horton, drafted a memo and copied various people and Management on an email regarding the assessments and the community.

- Ms. Cerbone conferred with DR Horton's Regional Vice President of Sales, Ms. Debra Thomas, who was not one of the individuals copied on the email.
- Ms. Thomas advised that she has been in the industry for 20 years, dealt with CDDs all over Florida and she is in charge of training the sales staff.
- Ms. Thomas ensured that all trainees were kept current on all information and are instructed to explain to homebuyers that the assessment is comprised of two components, the debt portion and the operation and maintenance (O&M) portion, Trainees are also instructed to never tell prospective buyers that CDD assessments never increase and to inform homebuyers that assessments could vary but that, hopefully, the increases are slight.

#### **TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

# **STAFF REPORTS [5 minutes]**

# A. District Counsel: Straley Robin Vericker

Asked about RFP submittals, Ms. Steinerts stated, typically, there is a submittal and electronic copies attached to it for District Staff's convenience, unless the Board determines that it should only be electronic. Ms. Cerbone stated she is accustomed to receiving sealed bids with a thumb drive or disk enclosed inside the envelope. Discussion ensued.

B. District Engineer: AM Engineering, LLC

There was no report.

- C. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC
  - NEXT MEETING DATE: September 1, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., Comfort Suites Sarasota Siesta Key, 5690 Honore Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34233
    - QUORUM CHECK

The Board and Staff discussed other options, in terms of date, time and location.

Ms. Cerbone stated, if the next meeting is held on September 22, 2021, it would be necessary to change the meeting time, as the venue is not available until noon.

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On MOTION by Mr. Hays and seconded by Mr. Peshkin, with Mr. Hays, Mr. Peshkin, Mr. Sweater and Mr. Watson in favor, and Mr. LaBoe dissenting, cancelling the September 1, 2021 meeting and rescheduling it to September 22, 2021 at 12:00 p.m., at the Comfort Suites Sarasota – Siesta Key, 5690 Honore Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34233, was approved. (Motion passed 4-1)

#### **ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Board Members' Comments/Requests [5 minutes]

Mr. LaBoe stated he would like to attend the next meeting and asked why it could not be on September 29, 2021. Ms. Sanchez stated the meeting room would not be available on that date.

#### TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Public Comments [10 minutes]** 

There were no public comments.

#### THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

On MOTION by Mr. Hays and seconded by Mr. Peshkin, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair