

GREATER BOCA RATON BEACH & PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SUGAR SAND PARK - 300 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL, BOCA RATON
March 28, 2018

The MEETING was called to order by CHAIRMAN Robert K. Rollins, Jr. at 5:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Craig F. Ehrnst
Steven M. Engel
Robert K. Rollins, Jr.
Susan Vogelgesang
Erin A. Wright

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Item #1 under Regular Business: Presentation by Mr. Shannon Easter of Broken Sound was deleted.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

2. Approval of Golf Course Maintenance Cost

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Vogelgesang to select and approve South Florida Bushog Service to maintain Boca National until construction commences.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

3. Golf Course Architect Ranking

The Board individually ranked all 17 golf course architect presenters. In order of preference, the Board selected the following top ten proposers:

- 1 - Price/Fazio
- 2 - Staples
- 3 - Jan Bel Jan
- 4 - Richard Mandell
- 5 - Vincent Design
- 6 - MVF Golf/Mark McCumber
- 7 - Matt Dusenberry
- 8 - Rees Jones
- 9 - Matt Swanson
- 10 - Kyle Franz

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Wright to short list the top ten golf course architects to the five firms listed below. Each of the five firms will be asked to return for additional interviews.

- 1 - Price/Fazio
- 2 - Staples
- 3 - Jan Bel Jan
- 4 - Richard Mandell
- 5 - Vincent Design

MOTION FAILS

MOTION was made by Commissioner Ehrnst to select the top five short listed firms and have Mr. Koski negotiate an agreement with the number one ranked firm. If unable to reach a satisfactory agreement with the first ranked firm, negotiations will commence with the second firm.

MOTION WITHDRAWN BY COMMISSIONER EHRNST

It was the consensus of the Board to hear public commentary prior to voting.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

Mr. Rick Heard a PGA Golf Professional with the Don Law Golf Academy offered his expertise, background and experience for the design of a course or learning facility at Boca National.

Mr. Greg Galanis, representing the Boca Golf Association, stated that prior to inviting the top five firms back, the Board should define the facilities it desires which will enable the firms to provide detailed specifics.

Ms. Debbie Leising supports negotiating with the top five ranked firms. Favors a community center facility at the southeast corner to hold social events to generate income.

Mr. Robert DuKate agrees with interviewing the top five firms. Various details such as the type of grass recommended; the potential cost of improvements; architectural design/ideas and fee structure should be provided.

Mr. George Cmiel questioned how the architects could furnish a proposal without first being given a set of specifications/criteria.

Mr. Harold Chaffee favors bringing back the top five firms. The community has to be involved – charrettes have to happen. The existing hotel building is a “perfect” facility for renovation for social events to generate revenue.

Mr. David Sergi took issue with the architectural selection process. [Mr. Koski explained the selection process as outlined in Florida State Statute 287.055].

The Board discussion ensued.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Engel and seconded by Commissioner Wright to short list the golf course architects to the top five firms listed below. At the April 16th meeting, each of the five firms will be asked to answer specific questions that will be submitted to them beforehand. Public commentary will be received before the decision of the Board.

- 1 - Price/Fazio
- 2 - Staples
- 3 - Jan Bel Jan
- 4 - Richard Mandell
- 5 - Vincent Design

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Commissioner Vogelgesang and seconded by Commissioner Engel to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:08 p.m.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED



Robert K. Rollins, Jr.

Chairman



Craig F. Ehrnst

Secretary-Treasurer