



**MINUTES
TOWN OF HILLSBORO BEACH
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2020**

TUESDAY

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Regular Commission Meeting began immediately following the adjournment of the Board of Zoning & Appeals Meeting.

Mayor Deborah L. Tarrant called the Regular Commission Meeting to order at 9:21 a.m. Roll was called with the Commission members and staff present as listed below.

Town Commission:

Mayor Deborah L. Tarrant

Vice Mayor Irene Kirdahy

Commissioner Vicky Feaman (via Zoom)

Commissioner Barbara Baldassarre

Town Staff:

Town Manager Mac Serda

DJ Doody, Town Attorney

Town Clerk Sherry D. Henderson, CMC (via Zoom)

Absent:

Commissioner Andrew R. Brown

Town Manager Mac Serda explained this live meeting was being held with a quorum present in Town Hall following the expiration of the Governor's order allowing for online meeting and outlined the procedure to be followed for online participation by the public. He explained the notice given and provided instruction on the Zoom system being utilized to host the meeting online. He further noted public comment was being accepted by email, as well as on the Zoom system.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, seconded by Commissioner Baldasarre, to approve the meeting agenda as printed. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Baldasarre, seconded by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting as printed. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation of Election – March 9, 2021

Mayor Tarrant presented a proclamation announcing a General Municipal Election would be held for the Town of Hillsboro Beach on March 9, 2021 in the Community Room at Town Hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. She stated those wishing to run for any of the three (3) Commission seats up for election, each two (2) year terms, could apply with the Town Clerk between 12 noon, Monday, January 4 and 12 noon, Monday, January 11, 2021.

III. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 2020-07 An Ordinance of the Town Commission of the Town of Hillsboro Beach, Florida, amending the Town's Code of Ordinances by Amending Chapter 7 Entitled "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions" by Specifically Amending Article 1 Entitled "In General" and Creating Section 7-4 to be Entitled "Discharge Prohibition"; Prohibiting the Discharge of Pollutants into the Atlantic Ocean or the Intracoastal Waterway; Providing for Specific Prohibition; Providing for Enforcement by the Town Manager; Providing for Enforcement Actions; Providing for Severability; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Codification; Providing for an Effective Date. (Second Reading)

Town Attorney DJ Doody read the Ordinance by title only.

Mayor Tarrant opened the Ordinance to public comment, however there being none to speak, closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, seconded by Commissioner Baldasarre, to adopt Ordinance 2020-07. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

IV. RESOLUTIONS & CONTRACTS

A. Resolution No. 2020-73 Consideration to Approve and Accept the Water Supply Facilities Work Plan 2020 Update Report Prepared by Redevelopment Management Associates and Chen Moore Associates

Mr. Doody read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Serda explained the water plant was required to do a 10-year forward growth review every five (5) years. He stated the plan was before the Commission for review and forward to the Water Management District, noting the expectation was that the water plant had ample capacity to meet the needs of any potential development and irrigation needs.

Christopher J. Brown with RMA, which serves as Town's Planner, introduced the subcontractor Peter Moore with Chen Moore, Inc., who presented the review.

Mr. Moore stated the requirement for a collaborative process was laid out by South Florida Water Management District and presented the document. He explained the Statutory requirements were listed within the report and provided background information, then walked through the highlights of an overall summary of the report.

Mayor Tarrant provided feedback on the wording on several pages of the report and asked for staff to make clarifications. She referenced an article in the newspaper the day before regarding Delray Beach's water supply and asked staff to research the PFAS chemical level in the Hillsboro Beach water.

Discussion ensued regarding water analysis and the age of water pipes in Hillsboro Beach.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldasarre, seconded by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, to approve Resolution 2020-73 with recommended clarifications. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously. (4-0)

B. Resolution No. 2020-74 Expressing Support for Specific Key Elements of the Design and Specifications Currently Being Developed by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Relative to the Improvements to be Made to that Portion of State Road A1A Located in Hillsboro Beach, Florida.

Mr. Doody read the Resolution by title only.

Mayor Tarrant stated there were six (6) parameters listed within the Resolution, and read those as follows:

- Vehicle lanes to be maintained as presently exists and in any event no less than eleven (11) feet in width
- Limit bike lanes to four (4) feet
- Sidewalk beginning at S.E. 10th Street and terminating at Opal Tower (1150 Hillsboro Mile)
- Elevating the southern portion of Town to eliminate flooding due to king tides, increased rainfall intensity and incorporating Broward County's projected sea-level rise into design
- Maintain 35 mph speed limit
- Additional crosswalks at Imperial and Le Baron, illuminated crosswalks at all crosswalks in Town

Mayor Tarrant asserted she had requested the Resolution so that there was no confusion about the position of those representing the residents.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy stated she agreed with the engineers in wanting to keep the width of the road consistent throughout. She asserted she understood from the November 10, 2020 meeting what the residents had previously agreed to, but she had a concern going forward regarding increased traffic. She stated she would like to see the sidewalk extended to Le Baron to give more residents the ability to walk.

Commissioner Baldasarre added that a walker had expressed concern that there was only a walkway on one (1) side of the road because it required walking with their back to traffic in one (1) direction. She noted there was nothing within the plan that provided for a berm or separation from the highway.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy stated she did feel a sidewalk was safer than walking on the road, with or against traffic.

Mayor Tarrant asserted there was always the option of putting in a sidewalk on the east side on the south part of Town.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy stated she wanted to make sure all issues were thought of, because the road plan would not be reviewed again soon.

Mayor Tarrant stated it was clear in 2015 that most residents do not want the tranquility of the Town disrupted anymore than it is. She asserted the only reason it was reviewed was because the residents were told the flooding would be fixed in exchange for some

compromise on the parameters.

Commissioner Feaman stated she was more concerned with the level of road raise because she did not believe what was planned would be nearly enough.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy asserted additional height was discussed, and the plan was being reviewed for specifics. She noted additional drainage was also being examined, and stated the team was going to be sure it was done correctly. She explained pump-outs and backflow preventers were also necessary.

Mayor Tarrant stated they needed to get direct involvement from Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Resilience Officer for Broward County regarding the resiliency issues she had presented at the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association (FSBPA) Conference.

Mr. Serda stated he had sent the studies and reports to Stanley Consultants and FDOT and noted it would be helpful to engage an engineering firm to officially submit comments directly into the project design.

Commissioner Feaman asked what was holding the project designers back from raising the road two (2) feet or more as requested.

Mayor Tarrant stated the main issue was the transition to driveways and work on private property. She asserted it may be difficult, but it can be done. She noted that in Miami-Dade County, they had raised the sidewalks four (4) feet, but it had created its own drainage issues. Mayor Tarrant stated she did not believe FDOT was amenable to more than the six (6) inches they had proposed.

Commissioner Feaman stated they would need to address those issues, because the road needed to be raised a minimum level far beyond the six (6) inches being discussed.

Mr. Serda stated the Town wanted to use one (1) source regarding sea level rise, and the FDOT was looking at a different source. He noted Broward County's report is recent, but he suspected the FDOT report was older.

Mayor Tarrant stated the initial project was Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) looking to add bike lanes and sidewalks, not FDOT, and there was no flooding benefit within the project. She added that the compromises had come in when discussing those changes.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy asserted that the project she presented to the MPO was approved based on sea level rise.

Discussion ensued regarding bike lanes and Complete Streets requirements.

Town Clerk Sherry D. Henderson read public comments regarding the Resolution.

John Carlson, 975 Hillsboro Mile, stated the Resolution would allow the project to continue while only raising the height six (6) inches. He asserted residents suggest the minimum elevation of the lowest edge of State Road A1A should be 3.9ft NAVD88 and this statement should be incorporated into the resolution instead of the Broward County reference.

Asa Loof, 1091 Hillsboro Mile, stated the presentation at the November 10, 2020 meeting included changes from the proposal agreed upon by residents. Further suggested the Commission revert back to the original parameters already agreed upon.

Dennis Alter, Hillsboro Beach resident (since 1978), stated he had an objection to the width of the bike lanes and other changes from the agreed upon parameters of the project. He noted it was the right decision in 2015 and it was the right decision now.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldasarre, seconded by Commissioner Feaman to approve Resolution 2020-74 as presented. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously. (4-0)

C. Resolution No. 2020-75 Consideration to Approve the Ranking as Recommended by the Selection Committee and Authorizing the Proper Town Officials to Negotiate an Agreement with the Top Ranked Firm for Engineering Services. (RFQ 2020-001 Easement Acquisition & Burying Utility Lines)

Mr. Doody read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Serda stated the project was to make sure the Town had the easements in existence should funding come available to bury the utility lines. He noted an engineer needed to look at each parcel and determine where it was best to position equipment, then Town staff could work with residents regarding the easements as needed. He noted there would later be a discussion regarding tying payment to success in order to protect the Town.

In response to a question from Mayor Tarrant, Mr. Serda stated the Selection Committee was made up of the Water Plant Manager and Building Official.

Commissioner Baldasarre asked for clarification regarding utility poles and whether there was a right-of-way present.

Mr. Serda stated the poles were typically on rights-of-way.

Mr. Doody stated there was most likely an easement in place where poles were placed. He

noted FP&L would have thorough documentation.

Discussion ensued regarding easements and the undergrounding of utilities.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldasarre, seconded by Commissioner Feaman, to approve Resolution 2020-75 as presented. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

D. Resolution No. 2020-76 Consideration to Waive the Competitive Procurement Process and to Authorize the Payment of \$49,995.00 to USA Software, Inc. to Modify the Town's Software and Server Updates to Comply with the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBS) and the Florida Incident Based Reporting System (FIBRS).

Mr. Doody read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Serda explained police departments throughout the country submitted crime information annually, and the mechanism was being transitioned to a new program. He stated from an operational perspective, computer programming was needed in order to meet the new national requirements. He noted this was a sole source customization and was fully funded by a grant.

Mayor Tarrant asked if this change offered a national database to allow states to speak to one another more efficiently.

Police Chief Jay Szesnat explained Police Departments now report crimes biannually in January and June, and this shift is to allow more thorough crime reporting on a monthly basis. He stated Hillsboro Beach had served as one of two (2) agencies in the State to pilot the program.

Discussion ensued regarding how information is shared between agencies and crime analysis on a state and national level.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, seconded by Commissioner Baldasarre, to approve Resolution 2020-76 as presented. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

E. Resolution No. 2020-77 Consideration to Approve and Authorize the Appropriate Town Officials to Execute the Second Amendment to the Employment Agreement Between the Town of Hillsboro Beach and Town Manager Mac Serda.

Mr. Doody read the Resolution by title only.

Mayor Tarrant made clarifications regarding the wording within the amendment, including

changing the reference to the increase from COLA to merit.

Mr. Doody stated the wording would be corrected with an amendment.

Mayor Tarrant noted that the waiver of an increase to the Town Manager's car allowance was not necessary. She stated that Mr. Serda had not received an increase to his car allowance in several years and it should be raised \$50 per month as previously discussed.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldasarre, seconded by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, to amend the second amendment to the employment agreement to reflect a five (5) percent merit increase and an increase to the car allowance of \$50 per month. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, seconded by Commissioner Baldasarre, to approve Resolution 2020-77 as amended. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Invoices for Approval

1. **Akerman:** Invoice # 9581987 Services rendered thru 06/30/2020 **\$21,604.60**
2. **Akerman:** Invoice # 9590833 Services rendered thru 07/31/2020 **\$16,844.10**
3. **Akerman:** Invoice # 9610445 Services rendered thru 09/30/2020 **\$29,692.10**
4. **Gardner, Bist, Bowden, Bush, Dee:** Invoice #10016 Services rendered 10/01/2020 thru 10/30/2020 **\$2,580.00**
5. **Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol P.A.:** Invoice #33764 Services rendered from 10/01/2020 thru 10/30/2020 **\$7,086.25**
6. **Inframark :** Invoice #57305 November 2020 **\$7,352.12**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kirdahy, seconded by Commissioner Baldasarre, to approve the Consent Agenda as written. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

VI. BEACH REPORT

A. Update on Town of Hillsboro Beach and City of Deerfield Beach Joint Project

Mr. Serda stated the scope of work for a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for an engineer on the joint project had been reviewed and edited from both sides, and Deerfield Beach's procurement office was looking at it now. He noted the Town Attorney was reviewing to be sure the Town was protected as needed and said the selection committee representatives from the Town of Hillsboro Beach would be Mr. Serda and the Building Official. He stated a weekly standing meeting had been set since the last Commission meeting.

Mayor Tarrant asked if it were possible the project would be able to cooperate with the Boca Raton Sand Barge Project.

Mr. Serda stated it was his understanding that they anticipate piggy backing on that project, but details had not been worked out at this point.

Mayor Tarrant asked how timing for State funding and the Boca Raton project lined up.

Mr. Serda clarified that Hurricane Dorian FEMA funds were in place, but there was not likely to be time to apply for State funding prior to the Boca Raton project.

Mayor Tarrant asked if Deerfield Beach was willing to move forward without outside funding sources.

Tim Blankenship with Moffat & Nichol stated the Town of Deerfield Beach also had FEMA funding from Hurricane Matthew which had not been spent.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy stated she was being asked for a timeline for covering the Deerfield Beach groins.

Mr. Serda stated the window would be November 2021 to March 2022. He added that getting the engineer selected will be a large component to moving the project forward. He noted the phone calls with Deerfield Beach had been very cooperative and the momentum was alive.

B. Mitigation Study Update

Dr. Jackie Brower with Moffat & Nichol provided a brief update on the feasibility study. She noted the application had been submitted to FEMA, and as soon as funds were obligated, the study would be started. She added that she expected approval within the month of December.

Mayor Tarrant shared photos of the coast of Naples and Miami where breakwaters were installed to address erosion on the beach. She noted that downdrift of any structure there was erosion and pointed out that whatever recommendations come as a result of the

study, there are downdrift impacts. She stated if breakwaters had been installed in 2012 when recommended, the Town would now be dealing with the side effects of those breakwaters, with erosion being pushed farther into Hillsboro Beach.

Continuing, Mayor Tarrant asserted that the Commission would need to be aware of the potential impacts of any solutions proposed by the engineers. She stated they would need to listen to the recommendation of the engineers, but as the front line in protecting the Town's interests, they needed to be leery.

Dr. Brower stated the issue was a complex one. She noted if there was a magic solution, the State of Florida would already be doing it, but this inlet to inlet analysis would make a valid and holistic recommendation, along with management of whatever solution was put in place.

C. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Maintenance and Sand Bypass Permit Extension for Hillsboro Inlet District

Dr. Brower provided a brief summary, noting this was a 10-year renewal that had been managed since the 1960s. She noted the deposit of sand would be in the same positions as previously approved. She stated the Town needed to have a voice in the process, noting Moe Tariffi sits on the Hillsboro Inlet District Commission on behalf of the Town.

Discussion ensued regarding back passing, the sediment budget study, and sand sources.

Mr. Blankenship gave additional details and recommended that the Town present its argument to the Hillsboro Inlet District Commission. He stated there was also potential for a joint project.

Mayor Tarrant asked that Dr. Brower and Mr. Blankenship attend a Hillsboro Inlet District Commission meeting with Mr. Tariffi at the appropriate time.

VII. STAFF UPDATES

A. Police Department

Police Chief Jay Szesnat presented his report and noted the marine activity log was down somewhat due to the boat being in the shop and inclement weather. He stated the body cameras and in-car cameras were now working together, tied in with the lighting system in the cars. He discussed some of the features and said he could provide a demonstration if there was interest.

Chief Szesnat stated a bicyclist was hit by a vehicle over the weekend and provided an update on the Broward Sheriff's Office investigation. He stated he was proud of Sgt.

Clark and how the situation was handled, including providing vehicle information and rendering immediate aid.

Mr. Serda provided additional information on how staff had successfully responded.

Chief Szesnat shared details regarding a migrant landing on the beach and the subsequent response. He stated additional consideration was necessary to respond in the time of COVID-19 and noted 12 people were turned over to Border Patrol.

Mayor Tarrant noted the level of proactive police protection reflected in the monthly report and asked Chief Szesnat to share the Commission's appreciation with his staff.

B. Finance Department

Steven Bloom presented the October financial report, noting it was the first month of the new fiscal year. He stated property taxes would start to be collected in December. He noted highlights in each department, pointing out a reduction in water usage over the previous year that would be monitored moving forward.

Mayor Tarrant asked if the Town should be planning for a drop in revenue due to COVID-19 keeping more residents up north.

Mr. Bloom stated he would need additional months to see if the trend continues before commenting on that matter. He noted there were capital projects which could be pushed out as necessary and contingency plans were in place.

Discussion ensued regarding the impact of COVID-19 on snowbirds.

C. Building Services Report

Steve Mitchell, Building Official with CG&A, provided his report. He noted October was a strong month for issuing permits, but inspections had dropped off as jobs were brought to a conclusion. He noted he anticipated some traffic before new Florida Codes were introduced at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Doody asked Mr. Mitchell to comment on his role as a witness before the Value Adjustment Board.

Mr. Mitchell stated he had spoken to the Board regarding determining the taxable value of the property at 969 Hillsboro Mile, which was completed last year. He noted the homeowner was petitioning the Board to have the value of the home adjusted to a lower level, primarily because they did not take full use of the house until mid-summer. He

stated he had not heard a result of the Board yet, because the Magistrate had deferred judgment until he could review the case further.

Mr. Doody stated he was contacted to secure Mr. Mitchell's testimony. He noted the Property Appraisers Office took exception to the resident arguing against the issuance of a certificate of occupancy and sought a witness from the Town.

Discussion ensued regarding taxable valuations and the property.

Mr. Serda stated Mr. Mitchell was a strategic asset to the Town and expressed his appreciation for participating in the hearing.

D. Code Compliance Report

Mario Sotolongo, Code Supervisor with CG&A, gave a brief update on Code Compliance. He stated eight (8) new cases were generated in October and six (6) were closed out. He added that his plan was to contact all owners well in advance of the turtle nesting season regarding lighting. Mr. Sotolongo reviewed the cases he was currently working on, including several seawall projects that would be reported on at the next meeting.

VIII. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

A. Paint Town Hall Update

Mr. Serda provided a brief recap on where the Town Hall project had been to date and outlined the specific details of the project moving forward.

Mayor Tarrant commented on the design work which had been done previously, noting that the interior part of the project had been removed and she had thought the exterior recommendations were being pursued, but what was being done was painting the exterior of Town Hall as it exists.

Mayor Tarrant stated she saw no point in putting up shutters and painting the stucco unless the exterior repairs were also being made.

Mr. Serda stated change orders could be made depending on how broad the Commission wanted the project to be, but the funding was not in the budget. He asserted that he would bring forward a quote for the full exterior work as designed and incorporate a menu of options to select from.

Discussion ensued regarding the scope of the Town Hall project.

B. Police Fleet/Vehicle Purchase

Mr. Serda stated that once the procurement process was complete, he would approve the purchase of a new police vehicle to replace the vehicle which had been damaged in an accident.

Commissioner Baldasarre asked if there would be insurance funding related to the vehicle accident.

Mr. Serda stated there would be an insurance payment, though that revenue would be handled separately from the purchase.

C. Shredding/HHW & Prescription Drop-Off Event

Mr. Serda stated the shredding event would be held on January 16, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

IX. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

A. Discussion on Ordinance for Virtual Meetings

Mr. Doody advised the Commission that various municipalities in Broward County had enacted Ordinances allowing for virtual meetings. He noted the Governor's order regarding suspension of quorums had expired, but safety concern from Board members and staffs have resulted in Ordinances enacted under Home Rule powers. He listed communities which had considered the issue and noted the potential legal complications.

Continuing, Mr. Doody stated if the Commission wanted to discuss an Ordinance, he would advise an in-person quorum for quasi-judicial matters. He sought direction from the Commission as to whether they wished to entertain an option to conduct meetings virtually. Mr. Doody stated there was no Statute regarding a physical quorum.

Commissioner Baldasarre stated she had mixed feelings regarding the issue and thought the Town should have decision making ability.

Vice Mayor Kirdahy asserted meeting during the pandemic was a serious issue. She stated she thought that the control should be in the Town's hands.

Commissioner Baldasarre said she didn't see a difference between now and six months ago when the Governor's order was in place, adding the legal argument did not make sense to her.

Mr. Doody stated that was the argument to be made, and that Commissioner Baldasarre had made a good point. He noted there was no definitive case law on the issue.

Mayor Tarrant stated everyone had their own personal opinion, but she felt it was important to meet as a governing body. She asserted Zoom added a level of disconnect and stated the circumstances within an Ordinance would need to be very specific for her to approve it.

Commissioner Baldasarre stated the Commission wanted to make sure everyone was safe. She noted what was safe in Tallahassee might not be safe in Broward County and said a broad rule did not make sense to her.

Mayor Tarrant asserted unless the circumstances were laid out very specifically, she would be against it. She argued that because they did not have offices in the building, the meetings were the only time Commissioners saw each other.

Mr. Doody stated he would discuss the parameters and legal basis outside of the meeting and put an item on the next agenda for discussion. He noted he was not advocating pro or con, he was just bringing forward what other municipalities were reviewing. He noted he had waited to see how the Ordinances were being implemented and received before bringing the item before the Town Commission.

Commissioner Feaman asked if there were foreseen legal repercussions of the Ordinances passed in other cities.

Mayor Tarrant stated the transparency was greater when sitting at the dais.

Mr. Doody stated he had reached out to the Florida League of Cities and did not foresee any sanctions from the Governor's office but noted it may get the attention of the legislature to discuss in the coming session.

X. TOWN COMMISSION COMMENTS/REPORTS

A. Commissioner Andrew R. Brown

Not in Attendance.

B. Commissioner Barbara Baldassarre

None.

C. Commissioner Vicky Feaman

Commissioner Feaman discussed recent communication with Waste Pro to resolve issues for local residents and businesses.

D. Vice Mayor Irene Kirdahy

None.

E. Mayor Deborah L. Tarrant

None.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Town Clerk Sherry Henderson stated there were no further public comments received.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Baldassarre, seconded by Commissioner Feaman, to adjourn the meeting at 12:31 p.m. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed. (4-0)

ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF JANUARY, 2021

By: Deborah L. Tarrant
Deborah L. Tarrant, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherry D. Henderson
Sherry D. Henderson, CMC Town Clerk



Written public comments & documents entered into the record

DECEMBER 1, 2020 | 9:00 AM

Regular Town Commission Meeting

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Sherry D. Henderson

From: Sea <seafront@comcast.net> on behalf of Sea
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 12:47 PM
To: 'Deborah Tarrant'; ikirdahy@townofhillsborobeach.com; vfeaman@townofhillsborobeach.com; 'BBaldasarre'; abrown@townofhillsborobeach.com
Cc: 'Mac Serda, Town Manager'; shenderson@townofhillsborobeach.com
Subject: Meeting Comment



*975 Hillsboro Mile
Hillsboro Beach, Florida 33062
954-781-7356, cell 954-778-4430
SeaFront@Comcast.net*

John Carlson at 975 says...

Resolution NO. 2020-74 Section 2 pertaining to FDOT road raising reads:

4. Elevating the southern portion of town to eliminate flooding due to king tides, increased rainfall intensity and incorporating Broward County's projected sea-level rise into design.

If left as is, FDOT can meet that criteria by simply selecting the 6-inch sea level rise projection and raise the road 6-inches.

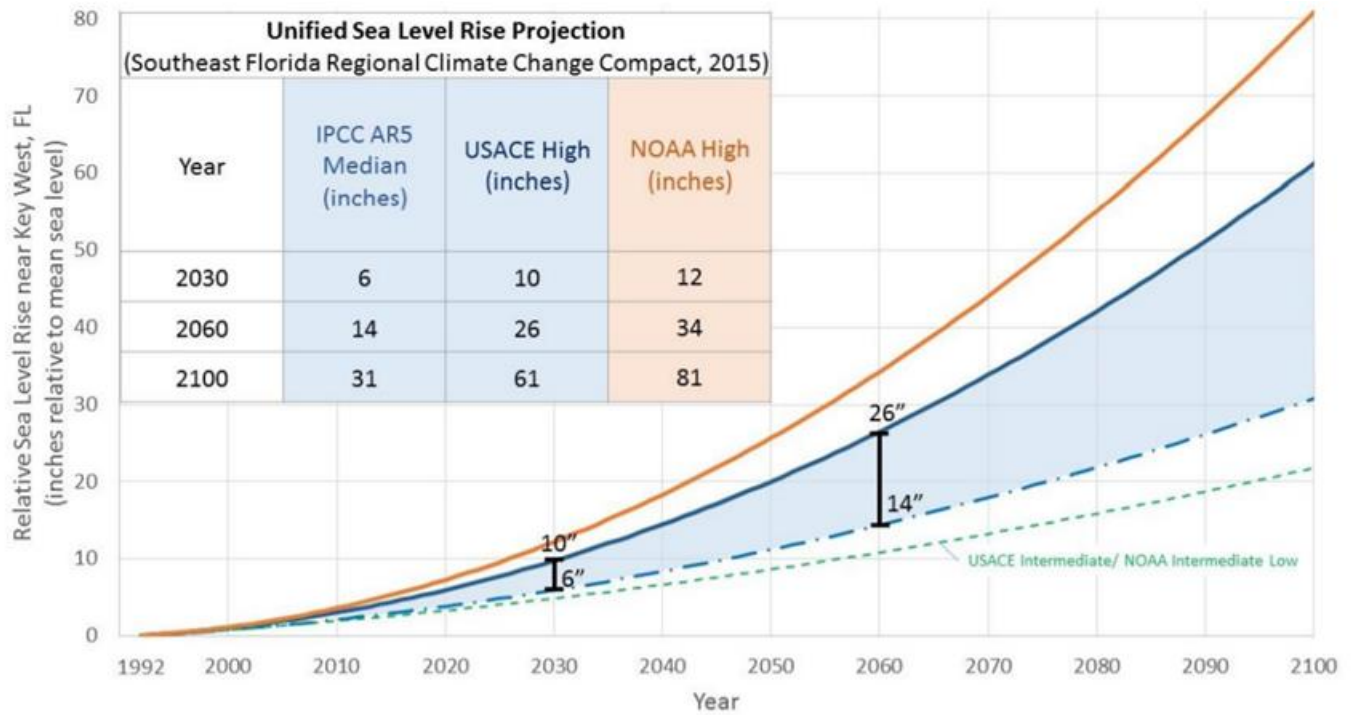


Figure 1: Unified Sea Level Rise Projection. These projections are referenced to mean sea level at the Key West tide gauge. The projection includes three global curves adapted for regional application: the median of the IPCC AR5 RCP8.5 scenario as the lowest boundary (blue dashed curve), the USACE High curve as the upper boundary for the short term for use until 2060 (solid blue line), and the NOAA High curve as the uppermost boundary for medium and long term use (orange solid curve). The incorporated table lists the projection values at years 2030, 2060 and 2100. The USACE Intermediate or NOAA Intermediate Low curve is displayed on the figure for reference (green dashed curve). This scenario would require significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions in order to be plausible and does not reflect current emissions trends.

In order to eliminate flooding, the road needs to be raised to a benchmark. A neighboring barrier island study-- [Jacobs Engineering: Road Elevation Strategy](#) supports a firm minimum height to raise the road beyond the current scope as pictured.

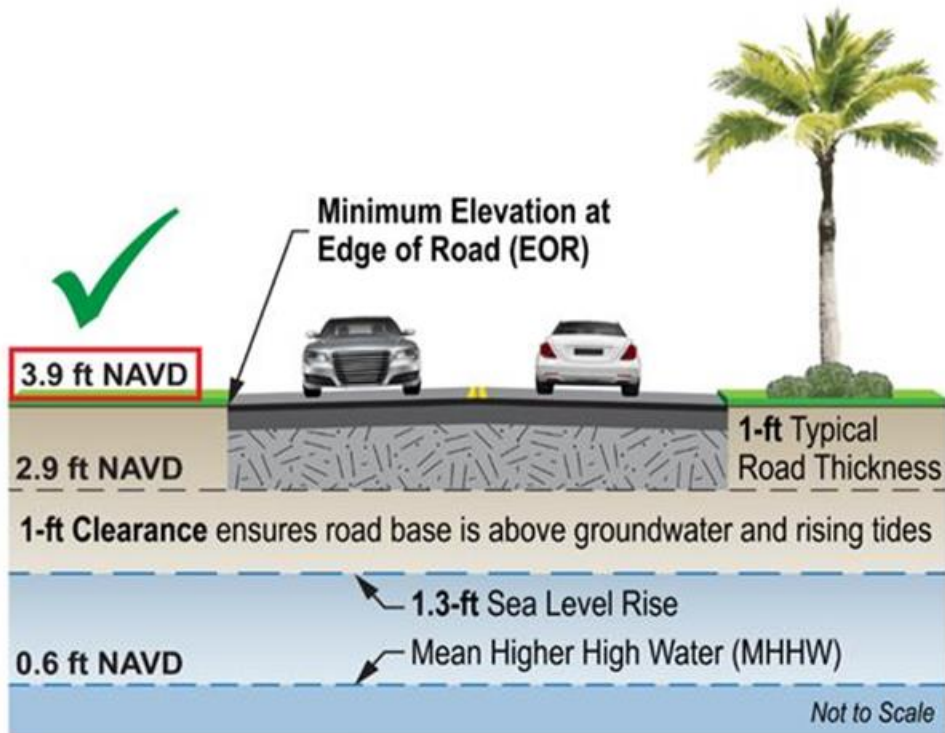


Figure 4. Minimum Elevation for the Edge of Road is 3.9 ft NAVD for all Major and Local Roads

<http://www.mbrisingabove.com/wp-content/uploads/Road-Elevation-Strategy.pdf>

Residents suggest the minimum elevation for the lowest edge of A1A should be 3.9 ft NAVD88 and incorporate such statement into the resolution instead of the Broward County reference.

Sherry D. Henderson

From: Dennis Alter <dennis@djalter.com> on behalf of Dennis Alter
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 9:20 PM
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Subject: Consideration to Accept and Approve TOHB A1A Redesign Elements for Su8bmittal to FDOT

Ladies, Gentlemen,

I have been a resident of Hillsboro Beach since 1978.

I'm writing to express my objection to the creation of 5 foot bike lanes and deviation from the agreement reached in 2015 between the town and FDOT regarding this and other issues.

The agreement provided for 4 foot bike lanes, a sidewalk in the north end of town and raising the road in the south end to address flooding concerns.

At that time it was agreed to by all parties, after much discussion and consideration.

It was the right decision then and still is now.

I add my voice to those resolving to revert back to the original parameters agreed to then.

Dennis Alter

Sherry D. Henderson

From: Asa Loof <asaloof@aol.com> on behalf of Asa Loof
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:18 PM
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To the Town Commissioners of Hillsboro Beach

Regarding A1A Redesign Elements for Submittal to FDOT.

The A1A Redesign will be on the December 1 Commission Meeting agenda as a Resolution coming before the Commission.

It has come to my attention that at the November 10th Commission meeting a FDOT representative acknowledged that changes had been made to **the original agreed upon A1A design** (see below).

- o Driving lane widths would be maintained.
- o A 4' bike lane would be done as a compromise – 4' bike lanes are used extensively in other areas of the County.
- o A sidewalk would be added in the north mile of Town where 70% of the Town's population resides.
- o The road would be raised to address flooding (beyond a temporary fix)

Referring to the arguments made when the original A1A design was agreed upon, I suggest that the Commission revert back to the original parameters already agreed upon.

I ask that my comments please be read into the record for the Town on Hillsboro Beach Commission Meeting on December 1.

Sincerely

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