

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

#### Official Agenda for the April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting called for 6:15 p.m.

### A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

#### **B. ROLL CALL**

#### C. MOTION TO SET THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to F.S. 286.011, to discuss the following pending litigation matter:

#### Town of Golden Beach, Florida v. Barbara Shaheen, Case No. 17-010672 CA 30

#### D. ADJOURNMENT:

#### DECORUM:

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One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

#### Official Agenda for the April 17, 2018 Executive Session called for 6:30 PM

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#### Official Agenda for the April 17, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 p.m. Or Immediately Following the Executive Session

#### A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- B. ROLL CALL
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH GELLER – LEGISLATIVE UPDATE PROCLAMATION FOR HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY PROMOTION AND SWEARING-IN OF OFFICER DANNY AVILA RECOGNITION OF OFFICER OF THE QUARTER

#### E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

- F. GOOD AND WELFARE
- G. MAYOR'S REPORT
- H. COUNCIL COMMENTS
- I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT
- J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT
- K. ORDINANCES SECOND READING

None

#### L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

1. An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code To Revise Chapter 66, "Zoning."

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REVISE CHAPTER 66, "ZONING," BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF DIVISION 11 "ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: AND BY AMENDING SECTION 66-251 RELATED TO GAZEBOS, CABANAS AND PERGOLAS, AMENDING SECTION 66-1 DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1 Ordinance No. 579.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 579.18

**2.** An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Related to Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs, Spas, and Swimming Pool Decks.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE FLORIDA. OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO SWIMMING POOLS, HOT TUBS. SPAS AND SWIMMING POOL DECKS: AMENDING SECTION 66-1 OF THE ZONING CODE RELATED TO DEFINITIONS: AMENDING THE TITLE OF ARTICLE IV. DIVISION 10 OF THE ZONING CODE TO INCLUDE HOT TUBS AND SPAS; AMENDING SECTION 66-236 OF THE CODE RELATED TO SAFETY BARRIERS: AMENDING CODE SECTION 66-237 OF THE RELATED TO SETBACKS AREAS: PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY: PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2 Ordinance No. 580.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 580.18

**3.** An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code as it Relates to Seawalls.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 46 ENTITLED WATERWAYS TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS AND CERTIFICATION OF THEY ARE SEAWALLS AS CONSTRUCTED AND INCREASING MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SEAWALL HEIGHTS: PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY: PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 3 Ordinance No. 581.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 581.18

**4.** An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Creating Regulations for Outdoor Lighting.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING DIVISION 4, DESIGN STANDARDS, OF CHAPTER 66, ZONING, TO CREATE REGULATIONS FOR OUTDOOR LIGHTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 4 Ordinance No. 582.18
- **Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 582.18

#### M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

#### N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5. Official Minutes of the February 20, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting
- 6. Official Minutes of the March 13, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting
- **7.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Purchase of Four Chevrolet Tahoe's.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND EQUIPPING OF FOUR CHEVROLET TAHOE POLICE PACKAGE VEHICLES AND THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP THE VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7 Resolution No. 2554.18 **Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2554.18

**8.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing A Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the FOP.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA ("TOWN"), AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE FLORIDA STATE LODGE, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MAYOR TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN: PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8 Resolution No. 2555.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2555.18

#### **O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS**

None

#### P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer: Civic Center Update

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal: None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein: None Requested

Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas: None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin: None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz: None Requested

#### Q. ADJOURNMENT:

#### DECORUM:

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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

Item Number:

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- From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manger
- Subject: Ordinance No. 579.18 Amending Code, Chapter 66, "Zoning" Division 11, "Accessory Buildings"

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Ordinance No. 579.18 as presented.

#### Background:

This item amends Ordinance 571.16 to correct zoning use in Zones 2 and 3, by eliminating the use of cabanas in those zones. This item also adds definitions for structures (i.e. cabanas, gazebos, and pergolas) and their uses.

#### Fiscal Impact:

None.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **ORDINANCE NO.** <u>579.18</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REVISE CHAPTER 66, "ZONING," BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF DIVISION 11 "ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: AND BY AMENDING SECTION 66-251 RELATED TO GAZEBOS, CABANAS AND PERGOLAS, AMENDING SECTION 66-1 DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

1 WHEREAS, the Town Council periodically studies land development trends and

- 2 issues and amends the Town's Land Development Regulations accordingly; and
- 3 WHEREAS, the Town Council has studied the current Code provisions of the Town

4 and found that certain modifications are necessary and desirable to further regulate

5 activities and uses of Gazebos, Cabanas, and Pergolas, and

6 WHEREAS, a public meeting was held before the Local Planning Agency (LPA) of

7 the Town to review the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development

- 8 Regulations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Town Council held duly advertised public meetings to consider the

10 proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF GOLDEN

#### 12 BEACH, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> That the preceding "Whereas" clauses are
 ratified and incorporated as a record of the legislative intent of this Ordinance.

15Section 2.Code Amended.That the Town of Golden Beach Code is hereby16amended to modify Division 11. "Accessory Buildings," of Article IV, "Supplemental District

17 Regulations," of Chapter 66, "Zoning" as follows<sup>1</sup>:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Additions to the text are shown in <u>underline</u>. Deletions to the text are shown in <del>strikethrough</del>.

18 CHAPTER 66 ZONING

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- <sup>20</sup>• ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL
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- <sup>22</sup>• Sec. 66-1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the
 meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a
 different meaning:

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27	Cabana means an accessory structure with a roof and walls and without cooking
28	facilities. A cabana may be air-conditioned and contain a bathroom, but shall not be
29	designed or used as a solarium.

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Gazebo means an accessory structure with four open sides containing not more
 than 150 square feet of roofed area. A Gazebo may include a bar, outdoor cooking
 facility, electrical outlets, lighting and sound amplification systems, all located within
 walls up to 42 inches high along two sides.

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- 36 <u>Pergola means an accessory structure, open on all sides, with colonnades or pillars</u>
   37 <u>supporting an open roof of girders and cross rafters.</u>
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#### 39 ARTICLE IV. SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS

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#### 41 **DIVISION 11. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS**

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# 43• Sec. 66-251. - Cabanas/Gazebos/Pergolas.

(a) In Zones One, Two and Three, one, and only one, cabana, gazebo or pergola or similar structure separate from the main house structure may be permitted to be
erected and only within the rear yard. The covered roofed area of such structure, whether covered with roofing, trellis or open rafters, shall not exceed two percent
of the net lot area up to a maximum of 500 square feet.

- 49 In Zones Two and Three, one, and only one, pergola or gazebo separate from the (b) 50 main house structure may be permitted to be erected and only within the rear yard. The roofed area of such structure shall not exceed two percent of the lot 51 52 area up to a maximum of 500 square feet. Cabanas are not permitted. 53 54 (c) Within Zone One, no part thereof shall be east of a line joining the corners of the 55 nearest existing similar structures nor shall any part be within 50 feet of the Mean High Water Line, Such structure may be built to the lot lines. Side line and east lot 56 57 line clearance is not required. Setbacks for such structures are not required on 58 the side lot line. 59 (de) In Zone Two the structure must be placed at least ten feet from the side lot line 60 and ten feet from the rear lot line. 61 (ed) In Zone Three the structure must be placed at least ten feet from the side lot line 62 and 15 feet from the rear lot line. 63 (fe) No structure permitted under this section shall exceed one story or a height of 15 64 feet above BFE. 65 (gf) Structures, other than Pergolas, under this section must contain matching roof 66 slopes and detailing similar to the principal structure; 67 (hg) The roof of the structure shall not be used as a solarium or for any similar 68 purposes. 69 \* \* \* 70 71. Sec. 66-252. - Accessory buildings, boathouses, etc. 72 a) No auxiliary structure, out building or enclosed boathouse is permitted to be built 73 within any lot in Zones Two and Three on the waterside of lots on the east coast 74 waterways and channels tributary thereto. 75 Boat slips within the area described in subsection (a) of this section may be (b)
- constructed on lots with water Frontage of 100 feet and over, providing such slips
  are built with walls of like Construction as the seawalls. Enclosures around and
  over such slips are not permitted. Size of such slips may not be larger than 15
  feet wide by 35 feet deep (length).
- 80 (c) Docks may be constructed, but no canopy over them shall be erected.
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- Section 3. Code Amended. That is any section, paragraph, sentence or word
- 84 of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid,
- 85 that the invalidity shall not affect the other sections, paragraphs, sentences, words or
- 86 application of this Ordinance.
- 87 <u>Section 4.</u> Codification. That it is the intention of the Town Council of Golden
- 88 Beach, and it is therefore ordained, that the provisions of the Ordinance shall become and

be made a part of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances, that sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

92 <u>Section 5.</u> <u>Repealer.</u> That all Ordinances, parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or
93 parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent
94 of such conflict.

95 <u>Section 6.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> That this Ordinance shall be in full force and take 96 effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

97 The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by \_\_\_\_\_,

98 seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

- 99 Mayor Glenn Singer
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   Vice-Mayor Jaime Mendal
- 101 Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_
- 102 Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein103 Councilmember Judy Lusskin
- 105 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** on first reading this <u>17<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2018.
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- 107 seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:
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- 110 Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
- 111 Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
- 112 Councilmember Judy Lusskin113
- PASSED AND ADOPTED on second reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.
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117	ATTEST:	
118		MAYOR GLENN SINGER
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LISSETTE PEREZ
TOWN CLERK
APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:
STEPHEN J. HELFMAN
TOWN ATTORNEY



One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members Item Number:

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- From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manger
- Subject: Ordinance No. 580.18 Amending Code, Section 66-1; Article IV, Division 10; Section 66-236; and Section 66-237 Related to Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs, Spas and Swimming Pool Decks.

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Ordinance No. 580.18 as presented.

#### Background:

I agree to the recommendation found in the attached staff report.

#### Fiscal Impact:

None.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### ORDINANCE NO. <u>580.18</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTION 66-1 OF THE ZONING CODE RELATED TO DEFINITIONS; AMENDING THE TITLE OF ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 10 OF THE ZONING CODE TO INCLUDE HOT TUBS AND SPAS; AMENDING SECTION 66-236 OF THE CODE RELATED TO SAFETY BARRIERS FOR POOLS, HOT TUBS AND SPAS; AMENDING SECTION 66-237 OF THE CODE RELATED TO SETBACKS FOR POOLS, HOT TUBS, SPAS AND POOL DECKS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council periodically studies land development trends

and issues and amends the Town's Land Development Regulations accordingly;

and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has studied the current Code provisions of the Town and find that certain modifications are necessary and desirable to further regulate the design and location of swimming pools, hot tubs, spas and related decking; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held before the Local Planning Agency (LPA) of the Town to review the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council held duly advertised public meetings to consider the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> That the preceding "Whereas" clauses are ratified and incorporated as a record of the legislative intent of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Code Amended.</u> That the Town of Golden Beach Code is hereby amended to modify Section 66-1, the title of Article IV - Division 10, Section 66-236 and Section 66-237 to address the design and location of swimming pools, hot tubs, spas and related decking in the Town, as more fully set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", and by reference made a part hereof.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Code Amended.</u> That if any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, that the invalidity shall not affect the other sections, paragraphs, sentences, words or application of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Codification.</u> That it is the intention of the Town Council of Golden Beach, and it is therefore ordained, that the provisions of the Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances, that sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Repealer.</u> That all Ordinances, parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict. Section 6. Effective Date. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and

take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

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seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on second reading this <u>day of</u>, 2018.

ATTEST:

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY

#### EXHIBIT "A"

# The Town of Golden Beach, Florida Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

#### CHAPTER 66

#### ZONING ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

#### Sec. 66-1. – Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

<u>Hot Tub or Spa.</u> A large tub or small pool, typically designed for more than one person and often heated, water-filled enclosure, permanently constructed below the level of the surrounding land or above-surface, designed, used and maintained for hydrotherapy, relaxation or pleasure.

Swimming Pool. A water-filled enclosure, permanently constructed or portable, having a depth of more than eighteen (18) inches below the level of the surrounding land, or an above-surface pool, having a depth of more than thirty (30) inches, designed, used and maintained for swimming.

Swimming Pool Deck. A landscaped and/or surfaced area surrounding a swimming pool, hot tub or spa at grade level. A Swimming Pool Deck can have multiple levels.

*Terrace.* A landscaped and/or surfaced area, also referred to as a patio, directly adjacent to a principal building at or within three feet of finished grade not covered by a permanent roof.

Adopted: 1989 / Revised 1995 / Revised 1997 / Revised 1998 / Revised 2007 / Revised 2011 / Proposed Amendment 2017

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#### ARTICLE IV. SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS

#### DIVISION 10. SWIMMING POOLS, HOT TUBS AND SPAS

#### Sec. 66-236. - Safety barrier required.

Any swimming pool, <u>Hot Tub or Spa</u> constructed in the Town shall be protected by a safety barrier approved by the Building Official.

#### Adopted: 1989 / Proposed Amendment 2017

#### Sec. 66-237. - Setback areas.

- (a) In Zones One, Two and Three, no screened-in or enclosed structures will be permitted in Setback areas, except for cabanas in Zone One in accordance with section 66-251.
- (b) <u>Swimming</u> Pools, <u>Hot Tubs and Spas</u> may be built in <u>rear or side</u> Setback areas providing they are not less than ten feet from waterways or property lines. <u>No Swimming Pool, Hot Tub or Spa shall be placed in a front or streetside (corner lot) Setback area.</u>
- (c) <u>In-ground Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs and Spas shall not exceed two (2) feet</u> <u>above a grade level Swimming Pool Deck, patio, or Terrace.</u>
- (d) <u>Swimming Pool equipment must comply with the requirements for setbacks</u> and quantity listed in subsection 66-140.
- (e) The construction of any Swimming Pool, Hot Tub, Spa or Swimming Pool Deck shall be subject to approval by the Building Regulation Advisory Board. Plans showing the location of the aforementioned new or replacement facilities shall be provided to the building department prior to the issuance of a permit. A sample of the decking material will be required when submitting an application.
- (f) <u>No portion of a Swimming Pool Deck shall be placed closer than five (5) feet</u> to a side or rear lot line. No portion of a Swimming Pool Deck shall be placed in the front yard Setback area.

#### Adopted: 1989 / Proposed Amendment 2017

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# MICHAEL MILLER PLANNING ASSOCIATES. INC.

Land Design Municipal Planning Services Transportation Planning

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MEMORANDUM

To:	Alex Diaz – Town Manager
	Linda Epperson – Bldg. and Zoning Department Director
	Town of Golden Beach

From: Michael J. Miller, AICP

Date: January 17, 2018

Subject: Town of Golden Beach Land Development Code Update Setbacks – Swimming Pools / Pool Decks / Hot Tubs / Spas MMPA Acct. No. 04-0101-0003

#### **ISSUE / BACKGROUND**

The Town's existing Zoning Code (Sec. 66-237) has very limited regulations governing the placement of swimming pools (10 feet from any property line / waterways). The Code is silent as to any regulations for related uses including swimming pool decks, hot tubs and spas. This has caused confusion and conflict between Town staff reviewers, designers, contractors and land owners. As part of the Town's ongoing Code updating MMPA was requested to study this issue and suggest possible Code modifications.

#### ANALYSIS

The Town Code does currently contain definitions for these common accessory uses. MMPA researched several sources for common definitions and suggests the Town adopt them (Sec. 66-1).

Section 66-236 requires a safety barrier for only swimming pools – not hot tubs or spas. Often these are part of or near a pool and can become a safety issue for children.

Section 66-237 addresses screen enclosures and swimming pools. Screen enclosures must adhere to normal Zone One / Two / Three setback requirements. Subsection (b) restricts pools from being constructed less than 10-feet from waterways or property lines. This would include "front" yards and secondary "front" yards on corner lots. MMPA believes the policy of the Town has been to restrict pools in any "front" yard area adjoining a roadway (appearance / privacy). The Code is silent as to Hot Tubs and Spas. Finally, there are no regulations governing swimming pool decks. During our single-family home permit reviews some designs propose patios / terraces / decks / swimming pool

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decks right up to the side / rear property lines. Since the Florida Building Code and local codes require drainage from the site to be kept onsite and typically the side / rear lot lines are sloped to capture / drain storm waters to onsite storage areas with overflow to the streets have a hard surface at a property line is bad. This is particularly true along seawalls where storm waters carrying chlorine from swimming pools / fertilizer / chemicals can flow into the waterways (canals), which is prohibited by the Federal EPA NPDES permit. Commonly a strip of landscaping along the seawall and drainage pipes are installed to capture / treat the runoff. The suggested setback dimensions are similar / the same as other high quality communities such as Bal Harbor Village and Bay harbor Islands.

#### RECOMMENDATION

MMPA suggests the Town Council consider the adoption of the proposed Ordinance.



One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

Item Number:

3

From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manger

Subject: Ordinance No. 581.18 – Amending Code, Article IV of Chapter 46 As It Relates to Seawalls.

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Ordinance No. 581.18 as presented.

#### Background:

I agree to the recommendation found in the attached staff report.

#### Fiscal Impact:

None.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **ORDINANCE NO.** <u>581.18</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 46 ENTITLED WATERWAYS TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS AND CERTIFICATION OF SEAWALLS AS THEY ARE CONSTRUCTED AND INCREASING MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SEAWALL HEIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council periodically studies land development trends and

issues and amends the Town's Land Development Regulations accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has studied the current Code provisions of the Town and find that certain modifications are necessary and desirable to update various requirements for Seawall construction; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held before the Local Planning Agency (LPA) of

the Town to review the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council held duly advertised public meetings to consider the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF GOLDEN

#### **BEACH, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted.** That the preceding "Whereas" clauses are ratified and incorporated as a record of the legislative intent of this Ordinance.

Section 2. <u>Code Amended.</u> That the Town of Golden Beach Code is hereby amended to modify Chapter 46 - Waterways of the Code of Ordinances as more fully set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", and by reference are made a part hereof. <u>Section 3.</u> <u>Code Amended.</u> That is any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, that the invalidity shall not affect the other sections, paragraphs, sentences, words or application of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Codification.</u> That it is the intention of the Town Council of Golden Beach, and it is therefore ordained, that the provisions of the Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances, that sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Repealer.</u> That all Ordinances, parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by \_\_\_\_\_,

seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Vice-Mayor Jaime Mendal \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on first reading this <u>17<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2018.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_,

seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Vice-Mayor Jaime Mendal \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_ **PASSED AND ADOPTED** on second reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

ATTEST:

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY

#### EXHIBIT "A"

# The Town of Golden Beach, Florida Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

#### CHAPTER 46 WATERWAYS

#### ARTICLE IV. SEAWALLS AND DOCKS

#### Sec. 46-76. - Seawalls required.

Seawalls shall be required on all property adjacent to any waterfront, other than the Atlantic Ocean. It shall be unlawful for any Owner of property adjacent to any waterfront, other than the Atlantic Ocean, to fail to have a seawall or fail to maintain a seawall or bulkhead in accordance with the requirements and specifications of this article.

#### Sec. 46-77. - Building permit required for seawalls and docks.

No Person shall construct a dock or seawall without first applying for and obtaining a building permit from the Town and other applicable jurisdictions. The building permit fee and cash bond shall be established by resolution and posted in accordance with the approved plan and specifications.

#### Sec. 46-78. - Design, construction of seawalls.

All seawalls shall be designed and certified by a registered engineer proficient in structural design to prepare such plans and constructed by a licensed contractor in substantial accordance with the permit plans and specifications approved in advance by the Building Official.

#### Sec. 46-79. - Inspection.

(a) The seawall shall be built in substantial accordance with the approved plan and specifications and shall be subject to proper inspection by the Building Official-Inspector during its construction.

(1) As part of a building permit application to construct a new seawall or modify an existing seawall, two (2) copies of a physical lot survey (conducted within the last 6 months) shall be provided to the Town. The survey shall show spot elevations of the existing seawall at each edge of the lot and at 20-foot intervals along the seawall using the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD-88) National Geodetic Vertical Datum (N.G.V.D.), the exact location of the existing or proposed seawall, the width of the seawall cap and any supporting structures, and the location of related structures (docks / pilings / rip-rap / etc.).

(2) Inmediately after installation of the piles, an inspection and corresponding pile logs shall be submitted to Town, showing pile location and pile capacity. The pile

log shall be reviewed and approved by the Town's building department prior to erecting the seawall forms.

(3) Upon the completion of the installation of the seawall forms, two (2) updated surveys shall be provided to the Town showing the proposed location of the seawall and indicating conformance with approved plans. The surveys must be reviewed and approved by the Town's building department, prior to scheduling the required field inspection and before any concrete is poured.

(4) Upon completion of the seawall construction two (2) updated signed and sealed as-built surveys shall be submitted to Town. Surveys shall show the finished elevation of the seawall height above NAVD-88 N.G.V.D. at the same intervals set forth in subsection (1) above, indicating the location and thickness of the seawall and, the width and thickness of the seawall cap. A final inspection may then be scheduled with the building department.

#### Sec. 46-80. - Completion of construction, approval.

Seawalls, when completed and backfilled to grade, shall be plumb and the coping straight before final acceptance by the Town and release of the bond.

#### Sec. 46-81. - Extension of seawall into waterways.

No part of any seawall, including slabs may extend beyond any lot property line into any waterway in the Town. The piles and cap beam may encroach into the waterway, if approved by the agency having jurisdiction. <u>If during the construction of a new seawall or</u> <u>renovation of an existing seawall it is found that portions of the existing seawall encroach</u> <u>into a public waterway adjoining a lot, those portions of the seawall encroachment shall be</u> <u>modified or removed, unless a variance is granted by the Town. See section 46-86 below</u> <u>for the definition of legal nonconformity, and requirements for modification, removal, and</u> <u>compliance with the new standards.</u>

#### Sec. 46-82. - Use of concrete slab.

All seawalls shall be built of reinforced concrete, with a cap-beam and be supported on pilings. Repairs to existing seawalls may incorporate other methods of construction and materials such as precast panels, sheet metal pilings and batter piles so long as they are consistent with the original design and appearance of the existing seawall and the majority of seawalls existing within the Town. No other type of seawall construction, including riprap, shall be permitted.

#### Sec. 46-83. - Repair and replacement.

The Town Council finds that docks and seawalls, if deteriorated, broken, cracked or in a state of disrepair, are unsafe structures and shall be repaired or replaced after notice to repair is served on the Owner as provided in section 14-31.

#### Sec. 46-84. - General specifications for docks.

No dock shall be permitted to be constructed, repaired, or reconstructed within the limits of the Town which shall extend more than six feet outside the lot property line into an

inside (width of 100 feet or less) waterway nor more than ten feet outside the lot property line into an outside (width greater than 100 feet) waterway.

#### Sec. 46-85. Height of seawalls and docks and extensions of deck of dock.

No seawall and no deck of any dock shall exceed an elevation of five-<u>3.425</u> feet above the <u>North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD-88)</u> <u>National Geodetic Vertical</u> Datum (N.G.V.D.). Dock decks shall not extend more than six feet behind the seawall and <u>No</u> cover shall be permitted to be erected in connection with any dock. The minimum elevation of the top of any seawall shall be <u>four-3.425</u> feet above <u>NAVD-88 (5 feet)</u> the <u>N.G.V.D.</u> and the maximum elevation shall be 4.425 feet NAVD-88 (6 feet).

#### Sec. 46-86. - Application of article and nonconforming seawalls.

(a) All properties, except as provided for in subsection (b), shall comply with and be subject to the requirements of this article.

(b) Any legal nonconforming seawall (a seawall which conformed with applicable regulations when constructed) lawfully existing prior to the effective date of any ordinance rending such structure nonconforming, may be maintained so long as it remains otherwise lawful, unless and until one of the following occurs:

(1) Improvements, repair, or construction of a structure on the property upon which the nonconforming seawall exists, which in the opinion of the Building Official, the cost of said construction exceeds 50 percent of the assessed value of the structure for that year;

(2) Demolition of the primary structure on the property upon which the nonconforming seawall exists;

(3) In the opinion of the Building Official, the Owner intends to materially alter the seawall structure;

(4) The Building Official makes a determination that the modification or alteration of the nonconforming seawall is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Town residents.

#### (5) Transfer of the property by any means.

- a. Prior to transfer of Title Ownership of any property and within 60 days prior to the scheduled closing date, the current owner must document the current condition of the existing seawall and provide such documentation to the Town and prospective purchaser.
  - <u>A report shall be made by a registered engineer proficient in design</u> engineering, providing scientific and engineering evidence that the seawall is in good condition with adequate penetration and toe protection to avoid settlement, toe failure, or loss of material from beneath or behind the seawall.</u>
  - A cover letter to the report, signed and sealed by the engineer, shall be provided and contain engineering certifications as to 1. The overall seawall condition, 2. The determination of the likely remaining design life. 3. Any recommendations for the repairs currently needed for the

seawall and for a long term repair basis, and 4. The current height of the elevation of the top of the seawall cap which such measurement shall be made in accordance with NAVD-88 guidelines.

- 3. Such report shall be accompanied by an affidavit of the prospective purchaser acknowledging receipt of a copy of the report, the existing conditions and that all deficiencies in the report must be corrected and a building permit to correct said deficiencies filed within 180 days following the closing date of the sale.
- b. Any deficiencies noted in the report shall be corrected and a building permit application submitted within a 180 day period following the scheduled closing on the property to remedy the deficiencies, this includes raising the seawall cap if it is not in accordance to NAVD-88 requirements.

#### Sec. 46-87. - Proximity of lot lines.

(a) No part of any dock or any other structure shall be placed nearer than ten feet to a line formed by the projection of the sidelines of the lot.

(b) No portion of a dock, boat lift, hydro-hoist or any other method of elevation, mooring piles, boat davits, dolphin piles or any other structure, and no portion of a boat elevated above the water moored at a dock or seawall, shall protrude into the waterway, unless it is within the triangle formed by connecting the points indicated below, that form a triangle where the waterfront property line is the base of the triangle and the triangle sides extend towards the waterway at a 45 degree angle until the lines intersect on the waterway side of the lot, but never to exceed 25 feet into the waterway from each of the lot property line. Neither elevated boats nor docks shall encroach in any instance within the side setback area. The base of the triangle shall be determined as follows:

(1) The base of the D5 triangle for all lots is set back five feet inside each of the side property lines.

(2) When the lot line is curved, the base shall be measured at the straight line, forming the chord, connecting the two side property lines (or the two side setback lines) at the point where they cross the sea wall. The side setback shall be determined based upon the length of the chord as provided in this subsection, above.

(c) The keel of a raised vessel shall be no higher than the cap of the seawall and never higher than four feet above mean sea level.

(d) No dock, lift, mooring piles or moored boat shall be permitted on vacant lots. Permits for such construction will be issued after a building permit for a single-family home has been issued, but the final inspection will be performed at the same time that the single family home final inspection is given.

(e) Legal nonconforming dock structures—If more than 50 percent of the value of the dock structure, lift, dolphin pile or other structure referenced in this section, is spent to repair or renovate such dock structures, then the dock structures must conform with the provisions of this section. The fair market value shall be determined by a State certified real estate appraiser or the Building Official. Dock structures that were not legally permitted when

installed shall not be improved unless they conform to this section. If an existing residence that has a dock is demolished, the dock can remain in place with the following provisions:

(1) That a new residence will be constructed and completed within two years from completion of the demolition; and

(2) A Bond in an amount equal to 120 percent of the estimated cost of the dock demolition is filed with the Town's building and zoning department; and

(3) As part of the demolition permit documents, the Owners of Record shall file an affidavit with the Town's building and zoning department, authorizing the Town to use the Bond funds to demolish the dock if a residence is not completed on the lot after the expiration of the two years' time limit.

# MICHAEL MILLER PLANNING ASSOCIATES. INC.

Land Design Municipal Planning Services Transportation Planning

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Alex Diaz – Town Manager Linda Epperson – Bldg. and Zoning Department Director Town of Golden Beach

From: Michael J. Miller, AICP

Date: April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Subject: Town of Golden Beach Land Development Code Update Seawall Regulations MMPA Acct. No. 04-0101-0003

#### **ISSUE / BACKGROUND**

The Town Council / Administration have been striving to improve the Town appearance and the development standards of the Town. The Town has adopted several Code amendments over the past several years. One of the remaining Code sections to be analyzed is the Town regulations for seawalls. In particular there are two (2) areas of concern; height and the monitoring of construction to ensure the seawall improvements meet Code requirements and the approved building permit plans.

While uniformity in appearance of the height of seawalls and docks is important for maintaining community appearance standards set by Golden Beach, sea level rise is a reality and the Town's existing standards for seawall height should be examined periodically. Additionally, the Town Code contains regulations on the review process and construction of seawalls; however, we have found several instances where a seawall has been constructed outside of the property line (into adjoining public waterways), so some consideration on additional regulations of the construction process are recommended.

#### ANALYSIS

#### **Seawall Height**

Codes have different ways to measure how high a seawall can be built which is important to note because this can cause confusion when looking at various municipal regulations. Below are the definitions of the different terms used.

- Mean Sea Level (MSL): the average height of the sea for all stages of the tide.
- National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD): as corrected in 1929, is a fixed vertical control used as a reference for establishing various elevations within the floodplain. NGVD does not take into account local changes in sea levels; therefore, it should not be confused with MSL.
- North American Vertical Datum (NAVD): Established in 1988, a fixed reference for elevations determined by localized geodetic leveling.

In our research we have found Codes that set the height is three (3) different ways, one city has only a reference to Mean Sea Level (Bay Harbor Islands), while others refer to NGVD and NAVD. NGVD is the older vertical datum (1929) and in general, there is an average difference of 1.51' between the vertical datum with the more recent NAVD 88 being the higher. In the Town of Golden Beach, the conversion between NAVD and NGVD is 1.575' (NAVD = NGVD minus 1.575').

Below is a summary of other municipalities in the tri-county area with seawall regulations. Besides differing vertical datum that are used, every community has different wave conditions, sea levels and elevations.

Municipality	Seawall Height			
Bay Harbor Islands	5.50' above MSL, 6' on Biscayne Bay (Code does not state NGVD or NAVD) – Maximum, no minimum. Original seawall heights (1950s) were 3.5 – 4.0+/- MSL.			
Deerfield Beach	Grade of property			
Fort Lauderdale	Property's FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map Location	Minimum Allowable Seawall Elevation	Maximum Allowable Seawall or Dock Elevation	
	In a floodplain with a base flood elevation greater than or equal to 5.0' NAVD (6.51' NGVD)	3.9' NAVD (5.41' NGVD)	Base flood elevation of the property	
	In a floodplain with a base flood elevation equal to 4.0' NAVD (5.51' NGVD)	3.9' NAVD (5.41' NGVD)	5' NAVD (6.51' NGVD)	

Municipality	Seawall Height		
Fort Lauderdale cont.	In an X zone, not in a floodplain	3.9' NAVD	Meet the definition of
		(5.41' NGVD)	grade
Golden Beach	5' NGVD (3.425' NAVD) – Minimum 4' NGVD (2.425' NAVD)		
Hollywood	Grade of property- Maximum, no minimum		
Lighthouse Point	4.0' NAVD (5.5' NGVD) – Both minimum and maximum		
Miami	5' NGVD (3.49' NAVD) north of Rickenbacker Causeway, 6' NGVD (4.49' NAVD) south of Rickenbacker Causeway – Both minimum and maximum		
Pompano Beach	5'10" NAVD (7.34' NGVD) – Maximum, no minimum		

In summary, the municipal regulations for seawalls found that have been updated within the last decade require higher minimum and allow higher maximum seawall heights. Jurisdictions that have more turbulent wave action are the ones that have the highest maximum height allowances.

We have contacted the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) who licenses and permits all work within waterways in the county for their opinion on the height of seawalls. DERM stated that they do not have a position on seawall heights; in their reviews they would be concerned about runoff impacts to adjacent properties and could require side yard retaining walls be built, as well as environmental issues.

#### Implications of Changing Seawall Heights

- Irregular (saw-tooth) appearance along waterways with differing heights. The Code has both a minimum and maximum seawall heights now so while uniformity is desirable the Code as it stands does not produce uniformity.
- Unless written to exempt existing seawalls, any seawall that does not comply with the new heights would be considered a nonconforming seawall. The existing Code has provisions that allows them to be maintained and requirements for when conformance is required. Perhaps this should be re-examined and tightened up to get older seawalls improved.
- Because most of the land elevations of the Town west of Golden Beach Drive are quite low, seawall heights could be higher than the lot, causing flooding issues. Storm-water and swimming pool water (chlorine) are prohibited to overflowing into the waterways via the NPDES Federal permit. Often a landscape strip and drainage containment system are required / installed adjoining the seawall.

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#### **Construction Process**

The Town's existing regulations for the construction of seawalls cover permitting, bonding, design, and inspection requirements. However as stated previously, MMPA has reviewed many building permits for seawalls in the Town and found that seawalls that were constructed with valid permits were in some instances not built as approved, and some encroach into the adjacent public waterways. Surveys before, during, and after construction showing the location and height of seawalls are needed, as well as certification from the designer that the seawall has been constructed in conformance with the approved plans.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above, MMPA recommends the following:

- 1. Consider increasing the minimum and maximum seawall height by one (1) foot; 3.425 feet and 4.425 feet NAVD (five (5) and six (6) feet NGVD) respectively. This appears to be what other waterfront communities are doing.
- 2. Amend the Town Code to require surveys showing both the height and location of seawalls, before construction, after seawall forms are set, after construction; and certification by a certified registered engineer that the seawall has been constructed in conformance with the approved plans.



One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

Date: April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

Item Number:

4

From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manger

Subject: Ordinance No. 582.18 – Amending Code, Division 4 Creating Regulations for Outdoor Lighting.

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Ordinance No. 582.18 as presented.

#### Background:

I agree to the recommendation found in the attached staff report.

#### Fiscal Impact:

None.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **ORDINANCE NO.** <u>582.18</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING DIVISION 4, DESIGN STANDARDS, OF CHAPTER 66, ZONING, TO CREATE REGULATIONS FOR OUTDOOR LIGHTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council periodically studies land development trends and issues and amends the Town's Land Development Regulations accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has studied the current Code provisions of the Town and find that certain modifications are necessary and desirable to regulate outdoor lighting in the community; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held before the Local Planning Agency (LPA) of the Town to review the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council held duly advertised public meetings to consider the proposed modifications to the Town's Land Development Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Recitals Adopted</u>. That the preceding "Whereas" clauses are ratified and incorporated as a record of the legislative intent of this Ordinance.
<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Code Amended.</u> That the Town of Golden Beach Code is hereby amended to modify Division 4 (Design Standards) adding Section 66-142 Outdoor Site Lighting Requirements, of Chapter 66 (Zoning) to provide for regulations for outdoor lighting in the Town, as more fully set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", and by reference are made a part hereof.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Code Amended.</u> That is any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, that the invalidity shall not affect the other sections, paragraphs, sentences, words or application of this Ordinance.

Section 4. <u>Codification</u>. That it is the intention of the Town Council of Golden Beach, and it is therefore ordained, that the provisions of the Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances, that sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Repealer.</u> That all Ordinances, parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

Mayor Glenn Singer Vice-Mayor Jaime Mendal Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on first reading this <u>17<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2018.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_,

seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Vice-Mayor Jaime Mendal \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on second reading this <u>day of</u>, 2018.

ATTEST:

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY

#### EXHIBIT "A"

# The Town of Golden Beach, Florida Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

#### CHAPTER 66

#### ZONING

#### ARTICLE IV. SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS

#### DIVISION 4. DESIGN STANDARDS

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#### Sec. 66-142- Outdoor Site Lighting Requirements.

(a) Purpose and intent. The purpose and intent of this section is to ensure that outdoor lighting positively enhances the visual impact of a building or structure, a property and the Town as a whole, while limiting negative lighting impacts on adjacent properties and providing security for persons and land. Outdoor lighting should accentuate key architectural elements of the building and highlight or otherwise emphasize landscape features.

(b) Applicability. It is the express intent that these regulations shall apply to all existing and future residential land in the Town and to all structures on residential properties. Existing properties shall be brought into compliance with the requirements of this section no later than August 1, 2018.

(c) *Definitions*. The following definitions apply to this Section.

Glare. Intense or blinding light, or the sensation produced by a brightness within the visual field that is sufficiently greater than the intensity of light to which human eyes are accustomed or adapted, thereby causing annoyance, discomfort, visual impairment, or loss or reduction of visibility.

Hot Spot. An area of very high illumination above normal foot-candle levels, typically found in an area underneath a luminaire, making normal foot-candle levels appear relatively dark.

Light Pollution. Any adverse effect of manmade light, often used to denote a brightness of the night sky, commonly known as urban sky glow.

Lumen. A quantitative unit measuring the amount of light emitted by a lamp or luminaire.

Obtrusive Light. Light which causes annoyance, discomfort, visual impairment, or loss or reduction of visibility.

<u>Security Lighting</u>. Lighting necessary for security or emergency purposes which shall be the minimum amount of exterior lighting necessary to illuminate possible points of entry or exit into a structure and to illuminate exterior walkways.

- (d) <u>Design.</u> Outdoor lighting shall be designed, operated, and installed to provide safe, convenient and efficient lighting, and to avoid the creation of hot spots, glare, obtrusive light, light pollution, light trespass, and visual nuisance.
- (e) Illumination Direction and Shielding.
  - (1) Upwardly-directed lighting used to illuminate all or part of a structure or building facade shall use low-wattage architectural or decorative lighting so that direct light emissions are contained by the structure or facade and not visible above the building roof line.
  - (2) Light fixtures used to illuminate flags, landscaping, statues, or other objects mounted on a pole, pedestal, or platform shall use a narrow cone beam of light that does not extend beyond the illuminated object and shall not be obtrusive or cause glare.
  - (3) Any light source or lamp that emits more than 900 lumens shall be concealed or shielded with full cut-off style fixture with an angle not exceeding 90 degrees to minimize glare and unnecessary light diffusion onto adjacent properties and streets. No light source or lamp may produce more than 1,800 lumens. (See Figure 66-142(e) Shielding of light source to avoid light diffusion onto adjacent property below.)



Noncompliant – Light diffusion onto<br/>adjacent propertyCompliant – No light diffusion onto<br/>adjacent propertyFigure 66-142(e) Shielding of light source to avoid light diffusion onto adjacent<br/>property

- (f) Security lighting installations. All security lighting installations shall include timers, dimmers, and/or sensors to reduce the overall energy consumption and eliminate unneeded lighting.
- (g) Flickering or Flashing Lights. No flickering or flashing exterior lights shall be allowed except for temporary decorative seasonal lighting during the period of time that colored lighting is permitted.
- (h) Maximum Illumination. Maximum illumination shall not exceed 1.0 foot-candles, measured 5 feet above ground level at a property line.
- (i) Right-of-Way. No private lighting may be installed in the Town's swale or right-of way.

- (i) Color Lighting. Colored lights are prohibited except during the period of time from the Friday before the last full week in November until the second Sunday in January (holidays).
- (k) Landscape Lighting. All landscape lighting designs shall be reviewed and approved by the Town's Landscape Architect.

(Cross-reference Article III Sec. 58 for lighting regulations for marine turtle protection.)

# MICHAEL MILLER PLANNING ASSOCIATES. INC.

Land Design Municipal Planning Services Transportation Planning

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MEMORANDUM

To:	Alex Diaz – Town Manager
	Linda Epperson – Bldg. and Zoning Department Director
	Town of Golden Beach

- From: Michael J. Miller, AICP Consultant Town Planner
- Date: February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Subject: Town of Golden Beach Land Development Code Update Proposed Outdoor Lighting Regulations for Homes MMPA Acct. No. 04-0101-0003

#### **ISSUE / BACKGROUND**

The Town's existing Code of Ordinances (Chapter 58, Article III entitled Lighting Regulations for Marine Turtle Protection) contains regulations governing beachfront lighting for sea turtle protection. That Code section is essentially the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's recommended model lighting Ordinance. The Code is silent as to any regulations for outdoor lighting throughout the rest of the Town (homesites / public lands). The Town administration has commented that they observed excessive / objectional lighting on several building facades and landscape features. As part of the Town's ongoing LDR Code updating, MMPA was requested to study this issue and suggest possible Code modifications.

#### ANALYSIS

The Town Code does not currently contain regulations for outdoor lighting other than for beachfront lighting to protect sea turtles. MMPA researched several sources for outdoor lighting regulations that are applicable to single-family homes and subdivisions, and has prepared a draft Ordinance that we feel would be appropriate for this community. As requested the proposed Ordinance is suggested to be retro-active / applicable to all residential properties and any accessory structures on them. It provides regulations for direction and shielding of outdoor lighting; maximum light source lumens, restrictions on security lighting, prohibitions, and maximum illumination levels on a property.

#### RECOMMENDATION

MMPA suggests the Town consider the adoption of the proposed Ordinance.



**TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH** 

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

From: Lissette Perez, Town Clerk

Subject: Town Council Minutes

Item Number:

5 & 6

**Recommendation:** 

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting and March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting.



# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

#### Official Minutes for the February 20, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 P.M.

# A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order 7:04 p.m.

# B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmember's Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, *Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein (arrived during the Local Planning Agency Meeting)* 

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Police Chief Rudy Herbello, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho

# C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

\*\*\*\* Mayor Singer adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m., opening up the Local Planning Agency meeting at that time \*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\* Mayor Singer reopened the regular council meeting at 7:08 p.m. after the adjournment of the Local Planning Agency meeting \*\*\*\*

# D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

RESIDENT SURVEY RESULTS PRESENTATION – RESIDENT SERVICES DIRECTOR MICHAEL GLIDDEN

**Town Manager** gave some background and information on the creation of Michael Glidden's department, his promotion, and the resident surveys in general. Also stated that the results are available online and at Town Hall.

**Michael Glidden** spoke on the department and what the duties are that fall under it. Stated that there was a robust response to the survey. Major issues – addressing flooding throughout Town, concerns about landscaping, installing speed tables particularly around parks, concerns about safetysupport for a new community center. Some support for a Miami-Dade fire rescue outpost. Food trucks were supported but costs is an issue for some respondents. Residents asking for a way to pay for the food. Taxes and spending were also an issue brought up.

Vice Mayor Lusskin asked if they have any idea on how many responses came directly from beach residents.

Town Manager asked for Michael to give some background on the tracking system.

Michael Glidden stated that the tracking system is still being rolled out.

**Town Manager** stated that Michael's department is working on a welcome home guide and kit to be rolled out in the next quarter.

# E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

Mayor Singer requested to move Item #4 from consent to discussion at the end.

**Councilmember Mendal** asked that they add an item for discussion and direction to the Town Manager – a review of Resolution 1460.02

**Town Manager** stated that some items have blanks because the determinations will be made tonight. Final items will be published with an updated agenda online.

Consensus vote, <u>5</u> Ayes, <u>0</u> Nays.

#### F. GOOD AND WELFARE

#### Sari Addicott, 155 Golden Beach Drive

Spoke on the item requesting the re-enactment of the ban on assault weapons.

Feels that we need to move our congressional delegates to take action.

In response to last week's mass shooting, the students of Marjory Stoneman High School have been on the news night and day asking for our help.

We have to do something. Stated that to contend that gun laws do not work defies years of research that they do.

A study found that states with more restrictive gun laws have lower rates of gun violence.

Do not let our elected officials pass the buck on this, and keep our kids safe.

Overwhelming that we as a country aren't doing better.

\*\*\* Certain residents who requested to speak during Good and Welfare were running late, and would be allowed to speak upon their arrival. \*\*\*

#### G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Thoughts a prayers with the families in Parkland for the lives of the 17 victims whose lives were taken too soon. Agrees with Mrs. Addicott. League of Cities putting something together now. Need to eliminate the threat of these occurrences happening in our schools. Town Manager, Councilmember Mendal and him went up to Tallahassee a few weeks ago to try to obtain monies to fund the Center Island Pump Station. Was a good trip and very productive.

Had a great response to the public safety meeting in early February. Safety a big concern for him and Town is trying to be proactive. Projects are moving along even though it seems like they are delayed. Both the guardhouse and beach pavilion are both still on track to meet their scheduled completion dates at the end of March. Visited other cities with the Town Manager last week to gain some knowledge on how their cities are designed and run to get ideas for the Town's plans for the new civic center. Reviewed the hurricane report that the Town Manager put together. Discussed some changes that are going to be made to the plan to prepare for next hurricane season.

#### H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

#### **Councilmember Bernstein**

No comments

#### **Councilmember Mendal**

Gave praise to the Mayor and the Town Manager for the work they did during Dade Days. Stated that he has received some calls and complaints about speeding within Golden Beach. Stated that he would like the resident guidebooks to be available to all residents on the Towns website. Feels that the website needs to be revamped and made into more of a user-friendly website. Very excited about the new town hall.

#### Councilmember Rojas

Knows that the event at the beach where dogs were allowed had both positive and negative comments. She was there with her dog and she felt that it was a very controlled event. Nothing got out of hand. Feels that the people appreciated it and doesn't see why this isn't something that can be done occasionally. Thanked Public Works for helping her with a leak in her home. Same thing with Police who helped her when her boat fell off the lift when she was home alone. Very appreciative of the services that the Town provides the residents.

#### Vice Mayor Lusskin

Asked if when a house is being demolished, if the neighbors can be sent a notice of when a home is going to be demolished.

**Town Manager** stated that they can let residents know that a home is coming down, but can't tell them exactly when because they do not have control over contractor's schedules.

Asked if the Town is up to date and has a sufficient number of AED's around. Also getting an increased number of calls on an increase in water bills this quarter and last quarter. Stated that the newsletter this time around was very informative and ambitious in setting the calendar for the whole year.

Mayor Singer now called on Daniel Block to make his presentation from Good & Welfare

#### Daniel Block, 240 South Island Drive, Vice President GBYLG

Stated that he feels the Town should start a community garden. Will enable the Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group (GBYLG) to get to know each other better and will allow them to be more responsible. Will promote community involvement. Can donate the food to people in need. Stated that he can run it, but would promote activism with all of the members. Many cities in South Florida already have community gardens.

# I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Thanked Chief Herbello, Lt. Diaz and Sergeant Perez for the work with the public safety meeting. Reminded residents to lock their doors and notify police when they are going out of Town for an extended period of time and it's important to call 9-1-1 in an emergency before calling the substation. Reminded residents if they have an alarm at their home, to have the alarm company call the substation first. Stated that the gates in Town are now closed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. There are no plans currently nor in the foreseeable future for anything to be built at the Strand boat dock. Looking at enhancing the Town's safety measures at the beach. Shoreline will be closed from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Did travel to Tallahassee, hoping to be able to acquire some funding for the Town's Center Island flooding issues. Gatehouse project was delayed because of the rotting of the roof that was not factored into the timeframe of the completion of the project. The project is progressing. Once a month Town Hall will be opened on extended hours. Tonight was the first night of that.

# J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

#### K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

**1.** An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Related to Rooftop Activities.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REVISE CHAPTER 66, "ZONING," BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF DIVISION 11 "ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: AND BY AMENDING SECTION 66-261 RELATED TO ROOFTOP ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1 Ordinance No. 577.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 577.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** spoke on the item stating that language was added allowing a water feature that needs to be approved by the Building Regulatory Advisory Board (BRAB).

**Councilmember Mendal** asked if an applicant could come before the Council for a variance request if the water feature is denied.

Town Manager stated that the applicant could.

**Attorney Helfman** stated that the ordinance would be amended to read that an appeal of the BRAB decision may be appealed to the Council.

**2.** An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Related to Community Design Standards.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO COMMUNITY DESIGN STANDARDS; AMENDING SECTION 66-137 OF THE ZONING CODE RELATED TO ACCEPTABLE PAINT COLORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2 Ordinance No. 578.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 578.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor</u> <u>Lusskin</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Aye
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** spoke on the item stating that the ordinance calls for an application without fee to be filled out when a home is painted and that residents stay within the confines of the Towns color wheel.

#### L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

#### M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

\*\*\* Mr. Richard Lasry arrived at this time and spoke on his Good & Welfare topic \*\*\* Richard Lasry, 525 Ocean Boulevard

Would like to discuss with the Town creating more events for the growing community. Would like to see more events and more gatherings.

Would like to see more events created that cater to the different age groups.

Feels that social events bring people together.

If he can be of assistance, would love to be.

#### N. CONSENT AGENDA

3. Official Minutes of the January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes, <u>0</u> Nays. Item N3 passes.

#### **O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS**

**4.** A Resolution of the Town Council Approving Enhancements to the Town's Parks.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE TOWN MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO THE TOWN'S PARKS; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 5 Resolution No. 2544.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2544.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Bernstein</u>, seconded by <u>Vice</u> <u>Mayor Lusskin</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Aye
Councilmember Bernstein	Aye
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Nay

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** spoke on the item and the various design elements.

Requested direction from the Council to move forward and with which amenities will they be moving forward with.

**Mayor Singer** requested that they speak on the elements one by one starting with the Tweddle Park Tot Lot.

**Town Manager** began by speaking on the shade structures. Recommending that the Town go with a traditional square shade structure over the existing play field and put the older shade on top of it.

**Mayor Singer** stated that they needed to make a decision on this because they need shade in Tweddle Park.

Mayor Singer stated that his vote is for the less expensive option.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that he agrees with using the less expensive option.

Vice Mayor Lusskin stated that it looks good and doesn't see a reason not to use the less expensive option.

Councilmember Rojas agreed.

**Councilmember Bernstein** stated that his only concern is to keep the colors chosen in Town should be consistent. Also agrees with going with the less expensive option.

**Town Manager** stated that they are proposing a blue awning at the park with authority to spend up to \$53,000.

Town Manager next spoke on the equipment being proposed in Tweddle Park.

**Mayor Singer** stated that this is money that has already been allocated in the Town's playground budget.

**Town Manager** stated that they can add all the amenities the Town wants, but the residents and caregivers need to be more responsible for their children. The Administration recorded a caregiver leaving a small child left unattended in the dog park while dogs were playing there.

**Town Manager** now spoke on the North Park recommendations. There are two options. One is a mini-tot lot like Tweddle Park fenced off and secure. Residents in the parkway are adamantly against it being in the back-west corner because it is a little more hazardous. Cannot use the northeast corner. Can provide a mini-tot lot fenced in or an amenity like a swing set in the southeast corner of North Park. Administration is proposing providing an amenity like a swing set, not enclosed.

**Town Clerk** read letters into the record from Dina Nicolella, Dr. Matthew Kay, and Tatiana Peisach Morgenstern.

**Resident Tatiana Peisach Morgenstern, 685 Golden Beach Drive,** spoke on the need for kid friendly amenities requested in the north end of town. Would love to add something small to take advantage of this beautiful field. Loves Tweddle Park and will continue to go there, is just asking for something in the middle. Values the concerns of the people that live there, but they do not own the park.

**Resident Dr. Rolando Garcia, 526 North Parkway**, their kids grew up climbing trees and messing around and they did not need a feature to have fun. Nobody says anything about putting a swing set in their back yard. To take an area that has been a beautiful part of his life and part of everyone's lives there in North Parkway and to change it for the convenience of a few, doesn't think it's a good idea. Already increasing the footprint of Tweddle Park and adding features, to create a new potential area for kids to get injured and hurt is also a concern of his. The concerns regarding safety are significant. Feels that there are so many great concerns for what he thinks is not a tremendous advantage. Really would ask the Councilmembers to consider these concerns.

**Resident Ana Garcia, 526 North Parkway**, first thanked the Council for everything that they do for the Town. Believes that adding the swing set in North Park would further increase the traffic concerns in that area. Strongly feels that adding additional equipment for little children would not be in the best interest of the Town in terms of safety.

**Councilmember Rojas** stated that she's consistently been opposed to a tot lot in the north end of Town, especially in Singer Park. Singer Park is considered a more tranquil park and its small. Makes no sense to her. In terms of North Park, they are a small town and they have a designated park for that use. Would be opposed to tot lots in either of those locations.

**Councilmember Bernstein**, stated that he was in Mrs. Peisach's similar position ten years ago when his children were small. That park was designed a long time ago as the active park. Explored these options years ago, but at the end of the day, would love to do this but safety is a major issue. It is a real safety issue. If we made a little tiny area for a swing set that is not protected or fenced in, we're contributing to another area where someone could get hurt. If this is the intent of the city to keep it as an active park, it is very difficult to keep the two complimentary uses.

**Vice Mayor Lusskin** stated that her biggest concern was safety. If it has no fencing, there is no way that she would vote for it. There is nothing to stop them from running right out of the field into the street and that is a huge risk. My gut feeling is that it's a risk and afraid to take that risk. North Parkway and Singer Park are the wrong places to have a tot lot. Sometimes doesn't see teenagers playing out there, she sees adults playing out there. To mix that small toddler group with what is out there is scary.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that it is an active park. This does not interfere with the playing field. As far as the fencing goes, a fence costs \$5000 max. The safety issue for him is on the cars that are speeding. They should not be speeding and they should not fault the kids for this. To say that now they're going to get an influx of people that are going to want to take their kids to a tot lot for one swing set, doesn't imagine that that is going to happen. And the point that Mrs. Peisach brought up about having to walk all

the way to Tweddle Park which is 1.3 miles away when we could add something that could give them an area to play. Already have young kids there every day, just having a swing set for them there isn't really going to affect anything. Having trouble understanding the thinking of the rest of the Council. Stated that the demographics of the Town are changing and the residents are younger and also need to cater to them.

**Mayor Singer** stated that he does feel that the park should be kept an active park. Stated that he drives through the Town about ten times a day and there is a speeding issue especially the UPS and Fedex trucks. That is a concern. God forbid a child steps out into the street. Stated that he is not against adding a tire swing to the tree at Singer Park. Stated that the Town has to have parks for everybody – kids, teens, and adults. Singer Park is a great park to just go out and catch up on emails or do just what you want to do and not have anyone bother you. The Town is not that big, to say that it is an inconvenience to walk down to Tweddle Park, is not really an inconvenience. Trying to make Tweddle Park the designated toddler area so that it is appealing to all of the little kids. Stated that he is not against adding a tire swing in Singer Park, but anything beyond that, he sees everyone's point and he would be opposed to it.

**Town Manager** stated that they would need to take a straw vote on what they want to take out or put in.

Town Manager asked if the Council would like to provide an amenity at Singer Park.

Consensus vote <u>1</u> Ayes, <u>4</u> Nays

**Town Manager** asked if the Council would like an amenity at the southeast corner of North Park.

Consensus vote <u>1</u> Ayes, <u>4</u> Nays

**Town Manager** asked if the council wants to enhance Tweddle Park

Consensus vote <u>4</u> Ayes, <u>1</u> Nays

Town Manager stated the elements he proposed to enhance Tweddle Park.

Consensus vote <u>4</u> Ayes, <u>1</u> Nays

**5.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing A Proposal from Bejar Construction, Inc. for Renovation of the Town's Beach Pavilion.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING A PROPOSAL FROM BEJAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR RENOVATION OF THE TOWN'S BEACH PAVILION; PROVIDING FOR A WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6 Resolution No. 2545.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2545.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor</u> <u>Lusskin</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Aye
Councilmember Bernstein	Aye
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that this is a new project that will be added to the capital improvements program and that currently we have the beach pavilion bathrooms under renovation. That project did not take in to account any work at the beach pavilion. This item allows the Town to make improvements to the beach pavilion that were not part of the original contract. He stated that the reason we are not going to competitive bid is because the original contactor is willing to lower his overhead from 20% to 15% which we think is very bearable. In addition to that, they have already done the on-site preparation for demolishing and all the staging area.

This project consists of:

- 1. Removing the existing terrazzo floor and replacing it with the tile that each of the Councilmember's inspected themselves and approved. If there is a structural slab needed on the bottom there's an allocation in the proposed budget for structural slab repair.
- 2. Removal of all of the columns and reinstallation of all the new columns. Due to its age, all the rebar within the columns and need to be reinforced
- 3. Entire building to be sand blasted and shell blasted to bring it back down to the original concrete block re-stuccoed and resealed.
- 4. It removes all of the current hurricane straps from the roof and replaces them with new stainless-steel straps.
- 5. Electric work
- 6. Landscaping

**Town Manager** stated that he is asking the Council to approve this item, and giving him the authority to spend up to an additional \$160,000 to the beach pavilion and the beach pavilion site enhancements.

**Councilmember Mendal** asked what was absolutely necessary within this framework and is there anything that is purely cosmetic.

**Town Manager** stated that for safety issues the columns need to be addressed. Also the hurricane straps on the roof are really rotted out and have a lot of rust on them. It would be irresponsible to not address the concaving of the trusses. As it relates to the floor, there are cracks that people could trip on. The landscaping they can pass on, but feels that it would be irresponsible on the part of the Town Council. As well as looking to modernize the lights with LED lights.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that he asks because he is really interested in getting the civic center project rolling, but if the pavilion is causing safety issues than he understands.

**Mayor Singer** stated that it is a safety issue but also that the beach pavilion is the Town's number one used amenity.

**Town Manager** stated that now that the park budget has decreased, we can make a transfer out of the recreational account into the Capital Program at the next meeting to increase funding for civic center design.

**Town Manager** publicly thanked the resident that donated the tiles for the pavilion work, who asked to remain anonymous.

Vice Mayor Lusskin asked how long the project would take.

Town Manager stated that he would have that information for her at the March meeting.

**6.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing a Proposal from Bejar Construction, Inc. for Improvements to the Town's Entry Feature.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING A PROPOSAL FROM BEJAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TOWN'S ENTRY FEATURE; PROVIDING FOR A WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7 Resolution No. 2546.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2546.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued: Mayor Singer

Vice Mayor Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that they are proposing a new project added to the Capital Program. The project will consist of the redesign of the four corners of The Strand, the West side, and the East side. He proposed two options. As part of this project budget we are doing the East side that is in your rendering also they are going to rip out all the pavers and install new ones. Landscaping and lights will be talked about when they have decided on a design. Town Manager stated that what they will be voting on is the two renderings that have been presented with what they can do on the west side of the strand.

Option A removes and replaces the existing fountain basins with \$60,000 of landscaping, also reminded the residents that they are asking for 6 new medjools that cost \$9,000 each to replace the existing fountains basins. The existing fountain walls will be squared off for privacy but still have a curve in them. This plan calls for one new fountain and some jets in front of the guardhouse where the command post is currently parked. The equipment for the fountain has an approximate cost of \$80,000. Option B calls for the fountains to remain where they are today. Keep the existing fountains but we square them off and make them look a little bit more modern, it calls for a \$20,000 allocation for landscaping. Calls for a planting bed in front of the substation. The price difference between the two plans is about \$108,000, option B being the least expensive of the two.

**Mayor Singer** stated that both options are attractive, but the entrance to Golden Beach is the focal point of the Town. It may sound like a lot of money to be spending on beatification but, a few things you have to remember. One is that the last time the Town did the guardhouse was 15 years ago. Two, this will last hopefully another 20 to 25 years. When everyone enters Golden Beach the first thing they are going to see is the guardhouse, so you want a wow aspect to it. Now the average home on the inside of Town is way beyond \$5-million, so the entrance needs to be indicative of the homes that are here. To be pennywise on something like this would not be wise.

**Vice Mayor Lusskin** stated that she feels that Option A is the prettier one. The other thing is that at a previous meeting they discussed whether to plant coconut trees or medjools, and feels that the Town made the right decision planting the medjools.

**Mayor Singer** stated that there were many residents at that time that were adamantly against planting them and now that they are there, they are happy with them.

Vice Mayor Lusskin stated that she is leaning towards option A.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that he respectfully disagrees and feels that both options are wow factors and that \$108,000 is something we can allocate to be put towards a new civic center.

**Councilmember Rojas** stated that she agrees with Councilmember Mendal that the money could be allocated towards something else. Also that we can put a water feature there in the future if we have the money. She is for option B and the guard house with the arches in itself will be a wow factor.

**Councilmember Bernstein** stated that he agrees with the Mayor that the entrance feature should be an impactful feature; also, that it helps with property value and is for option A. Even though the West side is not up for discussion, he does not like the look of just having a bunch of stucco rectangular plates in the front as the main entrance. Especially does not like the neon sign they are looking at. More important is to not put in the neon sign and to add to the trellises.

**Mayor Singer** stated that he agrees with Councilmember Bernstein that the neon sign would cheapen it.

Vice Mayor Lusskin asked if the side fountains are that visible.

Mayor Singer stated yes, they are 100%

Mayor Singer stated that they will roll call on A or B.

Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mayor Singer	Option A
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Option A
Councilmember Bernstein	Option A
Councilmember Rojas	Option B
Councilmember Mendal	Option B

**Town Manager** stated that with option A they are eliminating the fountains on the north and south sides and replacing them with landscaping, no water on the North and South and creating a single fountain in the median in between the North and South area that will have lighting and adding water to the center. Construction budget will be an amount not to exceed \$168,000 for construction of the fountain and demolition of the current fountains, \$40,000 for the pavers, increasing landscaping to \$80,000, lighting at \$10,000, and a contingency of \$25,000. Project amount for \$323,000 for the new CIP project titled the Strand Entrance.

**Mayor Singer** stated that this money is coming from the amount that was allocated for additional projects.

**Town Manager** stated that this design puts the Town over what they had allocated. They can cut down on the landscaping form \$80,000 to \$40,000 but it will not be the same design, because the medjools are \$9,000 a piece, so for 6 medjools puts it at almost \$60,000.

**Councilmember Rojas** asked wouldn't it be cheaper to leave the fountains on the sides instead of landscaping?

Town Manager stated yes it would be.

**Councilmember Rojas** asked about the water feature in front of the guardhouse and how the humidity affects it.

**Town Manger** stated that the Town had three fountain companies come out and give pricing, the \$80,000 for the center fountain on the median is a true hard number and its similar to the one in Bal Harbor. It is low enough so the wind is not an issue and its designed right.

**Mayor Singer** stated that he wants to keep the side fountains, which would eliminate some of the medjools, and asked what that cost would be.

Town Manager asked to table the item to give him an opportunity to crunch numbers.

Consensus vote to table the item <u>5</u> Ayes, <u>0</u> Nays

\*\*\*\* **Mayor Singer** reopened the item after the discussion and direction to Town Manager portion of the agenda.\*\*\*\*

**Town Manger** stated that they do not have enough money to fund option A or option B. His recommendation is to fund Option B, but leave adding the fountain later within the same project timeframe once they have identified funds. Short by \$40,000 to fund Option B.

**Mayor Singer** stated that by what the Town Manager is saying, he can live with Option B. Recommending that the Council go with Option B, and leave the fountain in the middle to be done later.

**Town Manager** stated that his recommendation is Option B at \$59,000 for Bejar Construction, \$40,000 for pavers, \$25,000 in landscaping, \$10,000 in lighting, and a \$25,000 contingency for a total budget of \$159,000. Doesn't mean that they cannot bring the center fountain before them later on.

**Town Manager** stated that by March he'll know where they are for the center fountain. Will also be bringing the timeline for this project to them in March.

**7.** A Resolution of the Town Council Supporting the Reenactment of the Federal Assault Weapons Ban.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE REENACTMENT OF THE FEDERAL ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN; DEMANDING THAT THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR TO ENACT ITS OWN BAN ON ASSAULT WEAPONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8 Resolution No. 2547.18 **Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2547.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor</u> <u>Lusskin</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Aye
Councilmember Bernstein	Aye
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Mayor Singer** asked if everyone agrees to include that the minimum age to purchase a gun or ammunition be 21.

**8.** A Resolution of the Town Council Approving Amendment #1 to the 2017-2018 Operating Budget.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH. FLORIDA, APPROVING AMENDMENT #1 TO THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 9 Resolution No. 2548.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2548.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Mendal</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	Aye
Councilmember Bernstein	Aye
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Town manager** stated that they believe they are going to get money back from the state from FEMA. Asking to fully fund the beach pavilion projects, the gatehouse, the

street lighting project. Asking to move money out of the debt service fund and into the CIP fund, reduce the recreation budget by \$40,000, transfer that it into the 330 fund and allocate \$160,000 to the Beach Pavilion and \$159,000 for the Strand Entrance. There is contingency money in all of those funds and believe that there will be money left for everything else the Council would like to do.

Vice Mayor Lusskin asked if anything suffers from recreation.

Town Manager stated no, because they did not approve the parks.

**9.** A Resolution of the Town Council Approving the Establishment of a Retirement Health Savings Plan for the Employees of the Town.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH. FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PROGRAM FOR EMPLOYEES TO ASSIST MEDICAL EXPENSES UPON RETIREMENT; WITH AUTHORIZING MATCH FUNDING AND THE USE OF LEAVE BENEFITS; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO OFFER A RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PROGRAM: AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF BUDGETED FUNDS: AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 4 Resolution No. 2543.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2543.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor</u> <u>Lusskin</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	Aye
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	Aye

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that through the CBA they authorized that the Police Town employees can participate in a retirement health savings plan. This item does not talk about the program. All this item does is allow us to utilize our existing vendor the International City Mangers Association Retirement Cooperation (ICMA-RC) to serve as the agent to administer the new program. Currently our police officers can contribute any amount they want into a retirement health savings program, the Town is obligated to match it dollar for dollar up to \$500 dollars to participating members in the police

program. This is something the general employees will receive as well. What you are approving today is allowing the police employees to participate in the program and allowing ICMA-RC to be the agent that administrates the Retirement Health Saving Program.

Vice Mayor Lusskin asked if other cities offer this.

**Town Manager** stated they offer different forms of benefits. This program allows employees to set aside funds for post-retirement benefits.

**Mayor Singer** asked if the employee were to use the money after retirement would the Town have any liability.

Town Manager stated that no the Town would not

#### P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer: None Requested

Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin: None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein: None Requested

Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas: None Requested

Councilmember Jaime Mendal:

Requested for the repeal of the resolution stating that only the Manager, Mayor and Councilmembers with the consent of other members could add an item to the agenda. Stated that he feels that it is a waste of time and resources.

**Town Manager** stated that the point of this item is to keep members from arbitrarily adding items to the agenda. So the Council isn't constantly receiving new items this resolution requires a majority of the remaining Councilmembers to say that they would like the item added. The Manager stated that the way that this has been done in the past is if a member comes to me and says I have an item I would like to discuss, I then shop for it by calling the other members and saying that there is an item that a member wants to be added to the agenda and are you in favor of it. If no other two members add their name to that topic matter, the item still gets added as a discussion item for up or down consideration so that we can bring a resolution at a future meeting. If we were to take away that threshold, we would be legislating to a single member. Past Councils were advocates that used the agenda to push for their personal agendas or political agendas. The Manager stated that he would strongly advise this Council to keep the existing structure as it is, it allows for the Administration not to be at the beck and call of a single member, it requires the Administration to try to get deliberation before an item comes to the Council. Also, stated that Councilmember Mendal is correct it requires more time and doesn't allow it to be a speedy item but, if it is a hot topic item than it would have two other Councilmembers say yes let's add an item, and that's how for the last 11 years that he has been the Town Manager it has been done.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that he respectfully disagrees with the Town Manager he believes that it concentrates too much power in the Town Manager's hands; this has nothing to do with the current Town Manager. We have the sunshine law in the state of Florida which in order to get a consent it has to go to a meeting, considering we have one meeting a month if that does not play into our hands it concentrates all the power to the Administration. For example, the tax item that he brought up at the October 2017 meeting. Because he could not bring it up as a resolution he had to wait one month for November, then in November once it was approved, it went to the Administration that had to draft a letter that was signed February 1, 2018 on an issue that was debated in October, November and signed into legislation at the end of December. It takes away time, resources and our ability to govern effectively.

Mayor Singer asked what does Bal Harbor and Key Biscayne do?

**Town Attorney** stated that the issue is individual Council people placing action items on an agenda, and do you want everyone putting on their own legislation or do you want to put it forth as a discussion item. If there is a consensus, we can bring back the item for discussion.

**Mayor Singer** stated that it is also a financial issue because if they start doing that, the Town Attorney would have to start drawing up the resolutions.

**Town Attorney** stated that he believes you need to have some control on what action items are placed on the agenda. Also, stated that currently you have the Manager as the middle person gauging whether other members are in favor of it and then calls him up and asks him to draw up a resolution.

**Mayor Singer** stated that Councilmember Mendal does bring up a good point regarding the timing of it.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that if he does want to address a certain issue that someone brings up to him, he wants to be able to address it not have to go through hoops to maybe get it in two months later.

**Town Manager** stated that the reason Councilmember Mendal's item might have taken longer is because there was not enough support in a non-public way from the Councilmembers. Once it was brought up and Councilmember Mendal was persuasive the Council decided that they understood the matter a little bit better and they decided that it was in the best interest of their position to support the item, we then drafted it and brought it back at the next meeting. The process works.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated how only the Mayor can bring up an item and the rest of the Council can't do that. He sees an imbalance there.

**Town Manager** stated that that is not true, and that the Council had no choice in that item. Also, that we are one of two cities in the entire state of Florida where the Mayor and Manager share the executive power as it relates to policy. Both of them have to agree, if one of them does not then the Council gets involved. As well as the hiring and firing of staff. The previous Council had no choice because they couldn't diminish his Charter capacity.

Vice Mayor Lusskin stated that if you read the Charter as it exists now it states that one or more Councilmember can put something on an agenda.

**Town Manager** stated that the Charter does not talk about the agenda anywhere.

**Town Attorney** stated that it could be the code of ordinances that she is referring to.

**Town Manager** that that section of the code of ordinances refers to the section of the agenda where changes or deletions are requested.

**Town Attorney** stated though that you just can't add a resolution there because under the law a resolution or ordinace must be presented in writing, so one of the reason's you can't just add it at that meeting is because you don't have the legislation in front of you.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that his issue is the time it takes for things to move forward.

Town Attorney Helfman stated that that is not unusual.

**Town Attorney Helfman** stated that if it is an item of urgency you can call a special meeting.

**Councilmember Mendal** agreed to speak to Steve about the item and he's not satisfied he will bring it back again after he has spoken to Steve.

Town Manager Alexander Diaz: None Requested

**Town Manager** asked that the March meeting be moved because it is the week of his birthday and he will not be in the country.

**Council** agreed to move the meeting to March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

#### Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by <u>Councilmember Mendal</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>. Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes <u>0</u> Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lissette Perez* Lissette Perez Town Clerk



# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH One Golden Beach Drive

Golden Beach, FL 33160

#### Official Minutes for the March 13, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 P.M.

# A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

# B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmember's Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Police Chief Rudy Herbello, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho

# C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

# D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

PROMOTION AND SWEARING-IN OF SERGEANT LEILA PEREZ AND K-9 OFFICER JULIO SOCA – Leila Perez was promoted to Lieutenant and Officer Julio Soca was promoted to Sergeant.

Mayor Singer read a proclamation into the record declaring Arbor Day in Golden Beach

# E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

Town Manager stated that the minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Town Council meeting would be pulled until next meeting.

# F. GOOD AND WELFARE

#### Sari Addicott, 155 Golden Beach Drive

Stated that she was here because of a rumor tree and stated that she feels that there should be better communication with the residents. Stated that the residents used to receive a post card with the agenda and would like that to start happening again so that they are more aware of what is coming up. The newsletter does not provide a lot of information when it comes to these things. Inquired about a civic center that she had heard about and whether or not that is true, and at what expense is this going to be built. Suggested speaking to the Town Attorneys before moving forward with this

project. What drew a lot of people here is that nobody knows about it. In addition, spoke about so many different things being done in Town like the guardhouse that nobody knows why it is being redone and at what cost its being redone. Asked why do we need a firehouse, who will it be serving, how many people in Town it will be serving or are we serving the general community outside of Golden Beach because that is an issue. Stated that we still have a bond that we have not paid for, and outstanding debt. She just wants to know what is going on and better communication. The website is very nice looking but hard to maneuver.

#### Dr. Penny Iglesias, 138 South Island Drive

Stated that she has been receiving messages from residents that are out of Town asking her to come to the meeting to find out what is going on. Also stated that she heard about the building of a civic center through the rumor mill, and is just asking for more transparency. If we could at least get the message out asking people to come to the meeting.

Town Clerk read a letter into the record from Town residents AI & Dagmara Paruas, 645 Golden Beach Drive.

#### G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Agreed that the Town does need to work on better communication with the residents about what is on the agenda, but stated that it is uploaded to the Town's website the Friday before a Council meeting as well as in Town Hall. Spoke on the projects that the Town is currently working on, stated that they are moving forward and progressing as planned. The guardhouse is almost complete and should be operational hopefully within the next four weeks. The beach pavilion is taking longer but we are making progress on the beach pavilion, and the Town Manager will go over some issues that we ran into about flooring at the pavilion, but everything else is moving as planned. Regarding the budgets of the projects, stated that every project is brought to the Council before it even becomes a project and is open to the public. Thus far going as planned, hopefully coming in under budget and within our time frame. There are two new projects that were added, one is The Strand fountains on both sides, and pavers. The second project is the beach pavilion building which consists of painting the building, some tiling, redoing the whole inside, and the floor which the Manger will go over in his report because there's more detail on that. Both projects were approved last Council meeting.

Stated that the Police Department is doing a great job securing the Town since the incidents happened, they have increased the amount of personnel patrolling the Town. Also ordered projecting signs for A1A that will flash and let you know if you are going over the speed limit. Ordered a new security cart that will be here hopefully buy next month, which an officer that works the guardhouse will use to patrol the Town from sunset to sunrise everyday with lights, which will deter any future issues within the Town. We currently have officers patrolling the North and South end. The gates are closed after 10:00PM at night and are working to fence off all the empty lots, making the only way to enter Golden Beach through the Strand. Hopefully all these measures will eliminate or reduce any further situations that we have had. Congratulated Lt. Perez and Sergeant Soca on their promotions.

## H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

#### **Councilmember Rojas**

Asked if there is any requirement that they can require during working hours for some kind of construction supervisor or manager to be present in active construction sites because of things that have been happening that are either offensive to residents or mistakes that are made, or garbage that is being thrown over fences that effect the neighboring residents.

**Town Attorney** stated that if the Council wants him to look at that, he will. However, it will probably be an additional cost to the developer.

**Town Manager** stated that whenever they have major issues on a site, the GC's have been very responsive and addressed it right away. Maybe the Town can have more code enforcement out during the day, handle it on the Town's side, and not pass on that burden to the job sites.

#### **Councilmember Bernstein**

Congratulated the police department on the continued development and growth. Regarding the civic center, this is the first time they are discussing it. Glad that the residents are there to discuss it. One thing he will say is that with the fire rescue, the thought of having fire sirens will shock and bother everyone. Nevertheless, one of the important things is that there will be a fire rescue engine here. The benefit is that anyone living in Golden Beach might have a faster emergency response time. He is not for or against it but would like everyone to have an open mind about it. He also believes that Golden Beach should have a social media presence something like Facebook, where you can go on there to get instructions like during hurricanes. He understands that people can get on there and leave comments but he is sure there is a way to dedicate it to only residents. This can also be another place to upload the agenda with little to no cost he feels like it is something we should really explore. One other Town matter is to try to enforce lights on bicycles during nighttime because it is very scary and someone can be killed, try to have officers give warnings for no lights. His son who could not make it tonight had friends who attended Douglas High School and they will be holding a fundraiser to plant 17 trees in honor of the victims. If anyone would like to come and donate, it would be appreciated. In addition, spoke about a nut allergy program that helped cure his son and he will be coming back to the Council to try to get recognition of the program for their success.

#### Vice Mayor Mendal

Congratulated Lt. Perez and Sergeant Soca on their promotions. Also mentioned to the residents that they were both nominees for the Leo awards, Lt. Perez for saving someone's life who was in cardiac arrest and Sargent Soca who was a finalist and a winner for the incident he was involved in while apprehending a criminal and he was shot in the line of duty. Mentioned the resolution he was looking to repeal in the last meeting. He did not have time to meet with the Town Attorney because we moved the dates of the meeting so he will speak on that at the next meeting. Stated that for some time now that he thinks the Town needs a new website and a more user-friendly one. In regard to the Civic Center this is also the first time he has hear of it as well, it's not that people are out of the loop we just have not discussed it yet.

#### Councilmember Lusskin

Reiterated what she said at last month's meeting about the importance of notifying residents on demolitions. She understands that is a bit difficult because when a permit is pulled we're not sure when the demo will take place but she still wants to reiterate that demos are more disruptive to the neighboring homes than new construction. Her general feeling is that when a permit is pulled for a demolition, notify the two homes beside the site. The notification does not have to be the exact date, they just need to know that a permit has been pulled so they can be on the look out for it, or the GC might be able to take on that responsibility. Thanked all residents for coming and for caring about the Town enough to come to the meeting and that anything at the end of the agenda is just a discussion that's all, no voting and no decisions are being made.

Mayor Singer called for a quick break to celebrate the Town Managers upcoming birthday.

#### I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Thanked the Council for moving the meeting. Announced that he will be out of Town the following week. In his absence the Town Clerk will be Acting Town Manager and he will not have access to his phone. Town Manager recognized one of the Building Regulatory Advisory Board chairman **Jerome Hollo**, as well as recognized Linda Epperson and thanking her for all her hard work. Town Manager mentioned that there are some ordinances that are being postponed until the next meeting. Mentioned that the Council approved two new projects, which may make our new projects seem like they are taking longer than normal, but they are not. We are almost done with the guardhouse, which we stopped in December due to termite rot that extended its finish to hopefully the end of April. We are putting a hold on the pavers, exploring just replacing curbs and gutters to see how the curbs and gutters replacement will enhance the aesthetics of the guardhouse. If it enhances the aesthetics than what we will do is pressure clean, seal the current pavers, and save a little money. That project will be another two or three months before we deliver the entrance of the Town.

Also stated that Councilmember Bernstein and Vice Mayor Mendal were both concerned with the lighting on the signage, he will make sure to incorporate their feedback on how we do the signs. Mentioned that one of our residents decided to call the Miami Dade County Department of Historical Preservations on our pavilion job site, which has caused us to stop our pavilion project, however the bathrooms project at the pavilion has not stopped they are still being redone. Residents are always encouraged to attend the Town meetings that are always advertised on both our website as well as the monthly newsletter. At the last council meeting the Council authorized us to add a new project the beach pavilion itself, the beach pavilion was never part of the original beach project. What we were proposing for the beach pavilion is to basically repaint, retruss the roof, and change the terrazzo floor to one that was donated by one of the residents. The anonymous resident that called the Miami-Dade County Department of Historical Preservations objected to us moving forward with the replacement of the terrazzo floor with the new tile. The pavilion is locally designated by the county not the state, that means that we have to get a C.O.A. from the county in order to move forward with the project. The dilemma we are having is that the original floor back in 1924 was a black concrete floor, the terrazzo floor that we have today is not the original floor, the floor that is begin donated to the Town is more consistent with the 1924 design but not consistent with the 1954 remodel when the terrazzo was put in. Stated that he spent two

hours looking at microfilm looking for the original plans of the pavilion and the original flooring of the pavilion. Right now, we are negotiating with the county to allow us to put in the donated stone that is more consistent with color and aesthetic of the 1924 design. Also reminded the Council and residents that the columns there today are not the original columns. The original columns were a Tuscan Florentine with flowers and leaves coming off them, what we have today is more art deco disc on both the top and bottom, when it was redesigned in 1954. All the columns at the pavilion have popped, all we are doing is taking the columns down and putting them back to the 1954 designation, which means there will be delays as we wait on the county for delivery of the pavilion itself. The bathrooms will still be moving forward, the reason the bathrooms have been delayed is that we increased the footprint of the storage facilities on the men's side by an additional 100 square feet that forced us to delay the piling pouring and the foundation pouring. Even though our projects are taking longer than anticipated, it is not because our contractors are being irresponsible but because we have increased the scope of the project.

In addition, at the last meeting the Council approved a project to enhance Tweedle Park. We are also putting the brakes on that project for one reason. We have gone out to the playground community and tried to find proposals that are more competitive and thinking a little bit more outside of the box as it relates to shade structure, it may not be exactly what we wanted but were able to save \$22,000 by going with a different type of shade structure. The Manager also mentioned that the Council has given him authority to spend up to a certain amount of dollars on the projects, and he will deliver them under budget however, timing may be pushed back a little bit. The Mayor is constantly texting the Manager to make sure we are delivering the projects on time and that were begin responsible.

Town Manager stated that for the lighting project he authorized a contract with Stantec this afternoon, and FPL just two weeks ago agreed to donate all the old posts to the County. Also, stated that Linda's team has already issued the permits locally and Don Johnson our electrical inspector has viewed the plans and the shop drawings and has approved the project. As it relates to discussion items the reason we have discussion items is so we can talk collectively on projects, nothing this administration has ever proposed has been done behind closed doors, we try to be as transparent as possible. He strongly encourages residents who hear a rumor to call him. In addition, stated that the Town does not tolerate any inappropriate behavior, comments, whistling, or harassment of our residents, employees or even individual colleagues. At one of our construction sites today, some of the construction workers were being extremely inappropriate to two young females at an adjacent construction site. Stated that it is extremely important that when you hear those types of things occur you notify our substation right away and then you contact the Manager to address it. Tomorrow morning will be having a meeting with the GC of that construction site to make it clear that we will revoke any permits for irresponsible behavior, by contractors. Thanked the Council for an honorable 11 years with the Town and for an amazing support staff. Mentioned that in his 11 years, this is the first time he hears that the Town used to do post cards for Council meetings, but he will speak to members of the audience to see how we can improve it. Everyone knows he is resistant to social media but now we have a bigger staff to deal with that so maybe we can explore it further.

**Councilmember Lusskin** asked if we are still having bagels on the beach this coming Sunday

**Town Manager** stated yes from 11am to 2pm, it is in the newsletter and there is a flyer that is going out, and it is also on the website. Also, reminded residents that the newsletter now has the calendar for the whole year's events.

**Town Manager** also stated that in 2007 we applied for a county C.O.A. that was approved at the time to fix the columns, but that is not what is causing the delay, it is the change of materials on the floor. In 1924 it was a concrete black floor, the Council has authorized that we replace the terrazzo because it is cracked, it is slippery, it has dips in it which is a tripping hazardous. The Council authorized us to remove the terrazzo and put in this beautiful tile that was donated, which is out there on the pavilion if anyone would like to see it. The color is more consistent with the original 1924 color, is more consistent with the new modern design of the sitting area and the interior of the bathrooms, which we feel complements the new project, and saves us about \$80,000, so we will persuade the county to allow us to move forward with that project.

**Councilmember Bernstein** asked the Manager to elaborate a bit more, and why are the donated tiles saving \$80,000.

**Town Manager** stated that the tile that is donated so all we have to pay for are the installation costs. Since we are not putting in a terrazzo floor again, we are also saving as it is a costly product to install today.

Mayor Singer asked about the Film permits

**Town Manager** stated that it is attached and he is required by ordinance, to provide the Council with statics from the prior year.

#### K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

None

#### J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

#### L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

#### M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

#### N. CONSENT AGENDA

**1.** Official Minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Local Planning Agency Public

- 2. Official Minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting pulled until the April meeting \*\*\*\* *pulled for the March meeting* \*\*\*\*\*
- **3.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Use of LETF Monies to Make a \$5,000 Contribution to Teach for America.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (LETF) MONIES TO MAKE A \$5,000 CONTRIBUTION TO TEACH FOR AMERICA (TFA); PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 3 Resolution No. 2549.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2549.18

**4.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing and Approving a \$5,000.00 Contribution to the Alonzo and Tracy Mourning PTSA.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF \$5,000 TO THE ALONZO AND TRACY MOURNING PTSA; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 4 Resolution No. 2550.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2550.18

**5.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Payment of \$5,000.00 to the Diabetes Research Institute Foundation's Love and Hope Event.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF \$5,000.00 TO THE DIABETES RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOUNDATION'S LOVE AND HOPE EVENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 5 Resolution No. 2551.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2551.18

**6.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Surplus of a 2015 Polaris 570 Sportsman from the Town's Police Fleet.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SURPLUS OF A 2015 POLARIS 570 SPORTSMAN FROM THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6 Resolution No. 2552.18

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2552.18

**7.** A Resolution of the Town Council Approving the Settlement between the Town and Heather Bar Zevulun.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A RELEASE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN, ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, AIG PROPERTY CASUALTY COMPANY AND MFTRO EQUIPMENT SERVICE, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT: PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7 Resolution No. 2553.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2553.18

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes, <u>0</u> Nays. Item N1, N3-7 passed, N2 pulled.

Vice Mayor Mendal stated that the reason why the settlement item was on the consent agenda is that the Town is insured.

#### **O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS**

None

# P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:

• Civic Center Funding

Stated that the reason this is even coming up is because of the survey results from the residents, requesting that this be looked at further.

**Mayor Singer** read into the record some statistics pertaining to the fire department and response times in Town. Stated that he met with the Town Manager and decided to go through the exercise. A few years ago Dade County fire approached the Town Manager and him and said the northern part of Dade County is short on fire rescue. They need to add additional fire and rescue, this was six years ago they stated they have the money and are willing to build a fire station on our property and if the Town would support them. The Town Manager and Mayor met with the county and talked to them briefly, right after that, the funds were pulled so the conversation stopped, but the demand did not stop. It was brought back to our attention over the last 24 months several times, and figured it could not hurt to look at it.

Read into record more statistics pertaining to the fire department and response times in Town. Looking at those facts the Town Manager and Mayor decided they really need to consider if we build a new Town center, a civic center, or a Town Hall can we add fire rescue. We have been trying to meet with Dade County again but they have not agreed to a date yet, so the Mayor does not even know if this is going to work and if it does, they are going to pay for the fire rescue station, the maintenance, and partial cost for the building. Mayor stated that 6 years ago one of his concerns was what happens every time they get a call would we have to hear the sirens going out and how would this affect residents. Dade County stated that's not how it works what they would do is pull out on A1A, leave Golden Beach, unless the call was in Golden Beach before the sirens would go off. One of the Mayors biggest fears is God forbid there's ever a fire at one of the condos in Sunny Isles and someone has a heart attack in Golden Beach, were in trouble because there will be no one to respond to these calls, that's why the fire station conversation got started. We are no further along than we were six years ago. Mayor stated that they would have multiple workshops for the residents so they can have tremendous input, just like when the CIP project was done, so please do not worry we're not doing anything tomorrow, but it is important to discuss and it is important to bring these facts to the residents, which are alarming.

There was an incident that happened recently where someone was having heart issues and it took about 12 minutes for them to come to Golden Beach and the person was in severe danger of passing but thankfully nothing happed, but it was a time sensitive situation and it did take a little longer than everyone would like. Mayor also stated that we have many options that is not our only option or we can just not do anything. We can also make a Town Hall in the future, another option we can build a civic center with a Town Hall. Mayor also stated that since Hurricane Irma there has been a growing call for administration to explore the possibility of developing a new Civic Center. As we, all know the existing Town Hall and Public Works yard have served the Town well over the years but as we also know this Town Hall would not pass OSHA inspection. The employees have been working in these conditions for a long time, they have been working in almost closets, and the bathrooms are not ADA compliant. The building is below the flood base, the room needs tremendous repairs, the windows are not impact windows, and there is no proper bathrooms for staff or visitors. There is no fire
suppression system. God forbid there is ever a fire in this building we would lose everything, we do keep records off site, but we have a lot of records that we keep onsite that we would lose. There is a stairway to the police station on the second floor that is extremely unsafe; the police area is inadequate for a police area. There is no proper server closet for our computer system and that is very important, our systems go down all the time, our IT say the servers are not getting proper ventilation where the server currently is, but we can't have proper ventilation because that's the only place where the server can be. We have had plumbing issues, as well as termite issues; we have tented Town Hall at least 4-5 times that he is aware of. There is no storage facility for records. We definitely need to consider what we are going to do about Town Hall.

Then, there is the hurricane issues, If it was not for Regalia allowing our staff to stay there during the storm, they would have needed to move to a command post, which is in North Miami Beach because our police contract states that if winds are in excess of 55 miles per hour, the police cannot stay here. The Regalia was very generous and let our police command staff stay in the lobby. If they did not offer that the Town of Golden Beach due to the fact that this building is not adequately supportive for a storm we would have gone unprotected for over 24 hours, because we could not allow the police back into Golden Beach. That is a concern of his and of many residents. We have looked at a preliminary plan to see how much space we would need. We're looking at 20,000 to 25,000 square feet to build a true civic center. Obviously Town Hall we could do a lot smaller, we came up with 11,000 square feet for a civic center, the amenities 5,000 square feet, storage of 850 square feet, fire rescue about 7,500 square feet. The Mayor reminded resident that this is just for preliminary discussion so please do not take this the wrong way, we are just discussing what we need and what is required for the Town.

Mayor stated that even back when he was just a Councilmember and it was Mayor Addicott we had discussions that, eventually we were going to have to do something about Town Hall this was almost 18 years ago. We have provided well with this building and he thinks the Town Manager has done a great job with allocating the space with the number of employees that we have and, we have put a Band-Aid on this building. Mayor stated that they were looking for a budget to see if they were to do this how much would it cost. The Town Manager and him have been working with a temporary budget to figure out how much the cost would be. We figure that if we were to do a 25,000 square foot building at a cost of about \$300 a foot that would be a \$7,500,000 million cost. If you add in furniture and fixtures at a \$1,500,000, soft costs and design of the building at an additional \$2,500,000 million, the new park area and contingency you are looking at an expensive project at about \$13,000,000 million. The Town cannot afford that, we would never even attempt to do a 13-million-dollar project, but there is some funding that could reduce that. We figured that we have an option of these lots in Golden Beach where Town Hall is and where Public Works is. One of our options is we could sell these lots we still would have all this area for green space, even if we build a Town Hall, we would still have tennis courts, basketball courts, tot lot and ample space that we figured could generate as much as 3 million dollars. If we decide on building a fire station Dade County would contribute about a million and a half. We have about a million dollars in forfeitures assets, which leaves a budget of about 8 million dollars that is if we do the whole entire Taj Mahal of a civic center, a gym, and a fire station. The Town Manager and Mayor have met with the Town's bond people just to discuss on how is the best way to fund a project of this magnitude; their only option was to adjust

the millage rate. Stated that he is against adjusting the millage rate, but spoke to the Manager about doing an assessment every year for a limited time. One assessment they came up with was \$3,000 dollars a year for about 10 years per home that is \$250 dollars a month and that would generate money to pay the 8 million dollars and cover the debt service and the operating cost. That is the scenario that he is presenting to the residents this evening. If everyone on the Council says that its a good route we would say okay, even if it got approved we would then put it on the November Ballot for the residents, if 51% said yes, we would move forward with the project if 51% said no than we would not that's how simple it is. Mayor stated that he wants the residents to know that the Council is not going to say ok we are going to give you a \$3,000-dollar assessment and that is it that is not how the process works. The process would start with first figuring out what the Town's desire is, then we figure out how we are going to pay for it and if we cannot pay for it, then we have to go to finance. Lastly we would go to the voters for them to decide, and if we got to that phase we would have a whole project and a whole process, we would have Town Hall meetings to go through what we're going to do. We would take suggestions from the Council and residents; we would create a building that everyone could live with. The reason why this is even a discussion item is (1) It came up during the survey, and (2) even if we don't do a Taj Mahal meaning a civic center, with a gym, a community center, and a fire station we some time down the road need to decide what we will do about Town Hall. We are growing out of it, and it is not fair to the Town Hall employees. We are going to have to build a New Town Hall. That could be a 5,000 square foot building on A1A that the Town could absorb and no one would have to pay for it, it would come from operating costs and selling the lots etc. Mayor stated that after speaking to the attorney he was told that he does not have to have the residents vote, but would not do something like that without having a public vote.

Mayor Singer opened the discussion up to the Town Council first and then to the public

#### Dr. Penny Iglesias, 138 South Island Drive

Asked if, and when, it goes to vote will all of the details be included.

**Town Manager** stated that it'd be similar to when the G.O. Bond was brought before the residents for a vote. The Administration would bring before the council and the community a very preliminary design, space allocation and how to fund it. That will be a detailed draft of what will be brought before the residents. There will be an education campaign for the residents that will show what we are proposing, the amount of square footage, the amenities that will be offered, the footprint, and the cost of said building. If said building were requested, then the voters would vote up or down on that design and that funding.

**Councilmember Lusskin** stated that the Council really wants to be responsive to what the residents want, and the survey was really telling in regards to that. She feels like there is nothing to lose since the end result is what the residents vote on. She does not at this point see a down side to it if the residents make the decision as to whether they want it.

**Mayor Singer** stated that the \$3,000 per home per say is the most we would charge, if we get the cost down which he knows we will.

**Town Manager** stated that they have done two space allocation surveys and had two different companies assess space needs and parameters. Both companies arrived at very similar numbers as it relates to office space that would meet OSHA and all of the prescribed requirements for a proper office. The budget like the Mayor said is a very preliminary budget in order to have a constructive conversation you need to have a preliminary discussion, you could always work your way down from that, not increase the scope. These are just numbers but they are based off some conservative estimates. The Mayor is correct, these are very outside of what we want but if the council and residents feel that they don't need all of the amenities on the table they will take those items off the table. We are taking feedback form the Council and residents as to what they see as the vision for the future of Golden Beach in terms of amenities and space allocations.

Councilmember Lusskin asked if the vote is a referendum vote.

**Town Manager** stated that yes, it is. There is a deadline for putting a question on the November ballot, that deadline is in June. If the Council wanted us to have a referendum that question would be drafted by bond Council, and Council. It would then set the four points of what our scope would be and then we would work with the community on that item, it would be a referendum so if the community decided to vote down whatever is you want them to consider the particular project is a done deal. Then the Council could consider other scopes and funding mechanisms that is always the Councils authority. We could easily move forward with a smaller project but that would not be fair to the residents because that would only serve the needs of our staff and not necessarily the needs of our residents in terms of amenities and other services that we offer them.

Councilmember Lusskin if we can have a couple options for them to vote on

**Mayor Singer** stated that we could not do that. The Council would decide not to include certain elements, and then they will be excluded.

Councilmember Lusskin asked if we all get to decide on that as a Town

Town Manager stated no it would only be the elected officials

**Vice Mayor Mendal** asked if there is a reason why the Town cannot use Hallandale Beach's services.

**Town Manager** stated that the County Ordinances prohibits Broward County from entering Dade County it is a preemptive agreement between Dade and Broward County. Hallandale will not respond to Golden Beach unless a task force agreement is called upon, then they will cross into each other jurisdiction as a joint declaration.

**Vice Mayor Mendal** stated that based on the people he is spoken to; they do want certain amenities, but does not like the price tag. Thinks that we do not need something that takes up so much space, he thinks we can reduce this to something that is both functional and appropriate for our community while reducing the price tag as well. Stated that he would not be in favor of a special assessment or raising the millage. Would be more in favor of a "skinny town hall"/civic center on top. Thinks that the Town

could find the money in the existing operational budgets with the way it is now and not have to raise additional funds.

**Town Manager** stated that yes, Vice Mayor Mendal is right the Town budget may have the capacity for additional debt. We preliminarily looked at our capacity, looking at without increasing the millage rate and without having to lay off a substantial amount of staff members, we could probably take on a debt service of 1.5-million to 2 million dollars top. The only thing we can dedicate to a debt service without a referendum is non-ad valorem tax dollars, that is our miscellaneous money that we collect. We could take out a line of credit for \$2-million, pay it over the course of 5-10 years, and sort that into our budget but that is max 2 million dollars you add the 1 million dollars from the drugs that is 3 million dollars. So, could build not a robust facility - things that drive our costs are parking structures, the height elevations, the space allocations. The question is does that meet your 50-year planning horizon, does that meet the needs of your community for the next 50 years, because once you build it that is it, there is very little going back to the drawing board to expand. Build it right the first time, but the guestion is whose right design is it. That's why having a constructive conversation with our residents for what is the right design, what is the right amenities, or what is the right size is helpful. The Administration has no vested interest one way or the other, but in making your decisions you need to be thinking of the future.

**Vice Mayor Mendal** thanked the Administration, the Mayor for putting the document together, and beginning the conversation about this.

**Councilmember Rojas** stated that she agrees that we need a new Town Hall, also thinks that Golden Beach is a small Town and is not going to get any bigger and doesn't think we should spend so much money on a grand Civic Center when there are other more important projects still left to do. Does not think that it is a good comparison to compare Golden Beach to other residential communities because Golden Beach is not like them. She does understand that the residents said they would like amenities in the survey but agreed with a resident that they certainly did not agree to pay for it. Mentioned that she is concerned about the funding because we still owe over 11 million dollars for the CIP project, we still have to pay a monthly or quarterly fee for stormwater. In 2018, the property tax is going to change and people are not going to get the full deduction they have been getting in the past and does not think a big civic center would increase the home values of the homes in Golden Beach. As far as she is concerned she thinks we need a new Town Hall but does not think the Town needs a civic center or that the residents should be assed or taxed on it.

Mayor Singer asked how she felt about a fire station

**Councilmember Rojas** stated that she would be open to having a conversation about it, might be a good thing to have and she would feel safe.

**Councilmember Bernstein** stated that he would never vote on this unless the residents get a vote. He loves the idea of a Taj Mahal but does not know where we will pay for it from. Maybe let us start from the other side in terms of examining what we can get because thinks that \$3,000 per house is hard to get and pass. Maybe if we work backwards and see what we can afford from our operating budget every year to put towards this. Thinks that a fire station is a great solution and service for the community

to have faster emergency response time. Figure out what we can get from the fire department and then see how much this is really going to cost. Then we can figure out what services we can get out of it, and if a civic center makes sense, and if a gym makes sense. There are definitely things we need and one of the most important ones is the Town Hall.

**Mayor Singer** stated that Miami-Dade Fire Rescue will only cover the portion of the fire station, but we would still have to cover the costs for the Town Hall.

**Town Manager** stated that lets assume that they help absorb 1 million dollars does the Town want to make a minimum commitment of 99 years to Miami-Dade Fire because that is the minimum requirement for an agreement with the fire department for an extra million dollars.

**Mayor Singer** stated that he met with the Mayor of Bal Harbour and they recently added a fire station into a parking garage and asked him how is their relationship with the fire department, is it an issue? He stated that it was not an issue, that the fire department were great roommates.

Vice Mayor Mendal asked if the parking structure was going to be an issue

**Councilmember Lusskin** stated that by law you would have to have a certain amount of space. In addition, she stated that she would rather wait and do something down the line then build something that is not adequate and find out later that we needed more.

**Town Manager** stated that this in no way, shape, or form will delay the canal maintenance project. The funding for that project is secured in the Town's budget. This will not delay or defer it.

**Councilmember Lusskin** asked if this facility would be used by Golden Beach residents only.

Town Attorney stated that they could limit it to their residents.

Councilmember Lusskin asked why then can they not lock the gates.

**Town Attorney** stated that the streets had previously been dedicated to the public, but there is a way to limit the facilities to the community.

**Town Manager** stated that we did it for Tweddle Park recently, where you limit it to just residents of Golden Beach

Mayor Singer opened the discussion to the public

**Tony Rojas, 600 Golden Beach Drive** Asked if the Town is talking about rescue services and fire services in the same building.

**Town Manager** stated that we have had three preliminary meetings with fire over the last six years. It was clear from Miami Dade fire assessment what they need are rescue not fire services, what they are looking for and what we can tolerate is a two base,

minimum 7,500 square feet area, they cannot back up their trucks so there is no beeping, and they will have a non-ladder engine that provides rescue services.

**Mr. Rojas** stated that next to his business he has a fire station. He is completely against having a fire station in Town. He came to live here because it was a small enclave that was removed from everywhere else. His peace and quiet means a lot.

**Mayor Singer** stated that if they were going to build a fire station it would be in the southernmost part of Town and it would be traveling south, it cannot travel north to Broward.

**Mr. Rojas** stated that does not change his position at all and he is firm in what he believes. In addition, he does believe they need a New Town Hall. However, against putting an assessment.

#### Sari Addicott, 155 Golden Beach Drive

Thinks that what she would ask from the Council and the Manager is to get a legal opinion as to public access. You are talking about our little community opening itself up to all these other places. It is a little gem; it is an oasis in the middle of a huge community. She was also curious on how we are going to get this on the agenda by June.

**Town Manager** stated that they would limit the scope of what they authorize. You would structure the question like do you consent for a a multipurpose civic center building with office space, bathroom, 25,000 square feet with parking base for a fire rescue, which we would have more than enough time to get something to the Council for its consideration by it June meeting.

Mayor Singer stated that they are not rushing it.

**Town Manager** stated that they need to limit their direction. Fire is a very important question because it is a commitment that we make to one another. In addition, the Council is tasked with representing the residents. What he hears tonight is that they agree they need a new facility that meets OSHA, and provides safety during hurricanes. If you can build that facility with an amenity or two for our residents that is a win if you can do it without the relationship with fire. However, make sure you really consider it because there really is a need for fire in the area. Thinks that they can go back to the drawing board, explore some options, and bring something for future consideration

**Mayor Singer** stated that why not by the next meeting have more facts to bring back to the residents. Personally, against the \$3,000 a year assessment to the residents. By next meeting, they should have met with fire rescue and should have more information on costs and parameters. Invited residents to come back to next month's meeting.

**Councilmember Lusskin** stated that 60% of the people in the survey wanted a gym. That has to be a huge chunk of change for a gym to service a community of this size.

**Mayor Singer** stated that by the next meeting they'd have more information and more figures.

**Councilmember Bernstein** asked for them to get more information on what the fire rescue department would need.

Sari Addicott, asked if in the costs they factored in liability costs.

Town Manager said absolutely and of course, those costs would go up.

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal: None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein: None Requested

Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas: None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin: None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz: None Requested

**Town Manager** reminded residents of the bagels in the beach event happening on Sunday. The next council meeting is scheduled for the third Tuesday in April. And reminded residents that during the week of March 26<sup>th</sup> there will be youth amenities for the youth.

#### Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor Mendal</u>.

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes <u>0</u> Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lissette Perez* Lissette Perez Town Clerk

Adjourned at 9:22 p.m. Motion by rojas, second by mendal.



**TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH** 

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

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Item Number:

From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manager

Subject: Resolution No. 2554.18 – Authorizing the Purchase of Four Chevrolet Tahoe's Police Package Vehicles

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 2554.18 as presented.

## **Background and History:**

The Town of Golden Beach Police Department is requesting the purchase of four Chevrolet Tahoe's fully equipped with emergency equipment. These vehicles will be instrumental for our daily police patrols and Public Safety. The Chief of Police is requesting the approval of the Town of Golden Beach Council in order to proceed with the request for said purchase.

The purchase will be made through the Florida Sheriffs Association offers statewide purchasing contracts on a variety of vehicles, equipment and services that are available to all eligible agencies.

#### Financial Impact:

Four Chevrolet Tahoe's Police Package Vehicles is \$174,844.00.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2554.18**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND EQUIPPING OF FOUR CHEVROLET TAHOE PPV POLICE VEHICLES AND THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP THE VEHICLES ; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town desires to purchase Four Chevrolet Tahoe Police Package Vehicles in order to continue to provide service to the police patrol unit and police protection to the residents of Golden Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs to the Town to purchase and equip Four Chevrolet

Tahoe's is projected to be \$174,844.00, includes: four vehicles – with a purchase

costs of \$33,211.00 each; emergency equipment - purchase and installation for

each vehicle cost not to exceed \$10,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council desires to utilize General funds to pay for the vehicles for Police Patrol; and

WHEREAS, the purchase will be made through the Florida Sheriffs Association which offers statewide purchasing contracts on a variety of vehicles, equipment and services that are available to all eligible agencies,

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has recommended that the \$174,844.00 cost be taken from the Town's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to proceed as indicated in this Resolution.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> That each of the above-stated recitals is hereby adopted and confirmed.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Authorization of Approval.</u> The approval and execution of the purchase agreement of four Chevrolet Tahoe Vehicles, as described and outlined in the Agenda Item Report attached and incorporated herein, is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 3. Implementation. That the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.

**Section 4.** Effective Date. That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and on roll call the following vote

ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden

Beach, Florida, this <u>13<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2018.

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

ATTEST:

LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 17, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer & Town Council Members

From: Alexander Diaz, Town Manager Alex B)

Item Number:

Subject: Resolution No. 2555.18 – Authorizing A Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the Fraternal Order of Police

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 2555.18 as presented.

#### **Background:**

In late 2007, I created a new program within our Police Department to assist in regional operations and created a new opportunity for the Town.

In negotiating the Collective Bargaining Agreement, both parties agreed to re-visit the compensation for Police Officers assigned to "detached" units.

We have agreed that Police Officers assigned to detached units be compensated at a rate of 5% above their salary. This is consistent to how we currently compensate employees who are working "out-of-class".

#### Fiscal Impact:

We currently have three (3) Police Officers assigned to our detached units; the cost to implement this agreement is approximately \$8,500.00 per contract year.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2555.18**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA ("TOWN"), AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE FLORIDA STATE LODGE, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE: AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MAYOR TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE TOWN; BEHALF OF PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AND PROVIDING UNDERSTANDING: FOR AN **EFFECTIVE DATE.** 

WHEREAS, the Town of Golden Beach ("Town") desires to ratify a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the Florida State Lodge, Fraternal Order of Police ("Police Union") (a copy of the memorandum of understanding is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding is in the best interest of the Town.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Memorandum of Understanding Ratification</u>. Ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the Police Union, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A," is hereby authorized and approved.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Execution.</u> The Town Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Town.

Section 4.Implementation.That the Town Mayor and Town Manager arePage 1 of 2Resolution No. 2555.18

authorized to take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution and the Memorandum of Understanding.

Section 5. Effective Date. That This Resolution shall become effective

immediately upon its passage and adoption.

# Sponsored by Town Administration.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_,

seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_ and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas \_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Judy Lusskin \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach,

Florida, this <u>17<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2018.

ATTEST:

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA AND THE FLORIDA STATE LODGE, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE INC.

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered this <u></u>day of April, 2018 by and between the Town of Golden Beach, Florida ("Town") and the Florida State Lodge, Fraternal Order of Police Inc. ("Union"). The Town and the Union are collectively referred to as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period of October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2020 ("CBA"), which sets forth the terms and conditions of employment of the Town's police officers and sergeants;

WHEREAS, Article 12 Number 1. Effective October 1, 2017 police officer and sergeant salaries will be increased in accordance with the salary Schedule attached to this Agreement as addendum A.

WHEREAS, The Town agrees to increase base pay to five percent (5%) more to Members who are assigned and detached to a unit outside of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. Article 12 Number 1 is amended as follows:<sup>1</sup>

Effective October 1, 2017 police officer and sergeant salaries will be increased in accordance with the salary Schedule attached to this Agreement as addendum A. Members who are assigned to a detached unit working outside the town shall receive an addition five percent (5%) base pay increase, retro back to October 1, 2017. However, moving forward and upon ratification of this MOU the detached members shall continue to receive the five percent (5%) base pay increase as well as the overtime rates shall be bumped up by five percent (5%).

- 3. The Parties agree that this Memorandum of Understanding represents the Parties' entire agreement and it cannot be amended or modified without the express consent of the Parties.
- 4. The Parties have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of their choosing.
- 5. The Parties signify their agreement with this Memorandum of Understanding by affixing their signatures below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proposed additions to the CBA are indicated by <u>underline</u>.

#### FLORIDA STATE LODGE, FRATENRAL ORDER OF POLICE INC.

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, a municipal corporation of the state of Florida

By:\_\_\_

John Puleo F.O.P. Staff Representative By:\_\_\_\_\_ Glenn Singer

Mayor

Dated:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to the form and legal sufficiency

<u>GEOZGÉ FH</u>ACHIGIAN FOR By: 🥒 Alan Diamond

F.O.P. General Counsel

WITNESSED

By:

Dave Carrazana, F.O.P. Lodge 119 President Approved:

Alexander Diaz Town Manager

Approved as to the form and legal sufficiency

By:

Special Labor Counsel