



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

Office of the Town Manager

Letter to Town Council No. 005-2011

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &
Town Council Members

From: Alexander Diaz,
Town Manager

Date: September 20, 2012

Subject: **My Performance Evaluation**

In accordance with Section 6 (Performance Evaluation) of my employee contract I am pleased to report that we have had a year of many accomplishments and significant improvements.

The Town of Golden Beach continues to make strides in accomplishing our vision to be the premier residential community in which to visit, live, and raise a family; and in achieving our mission of becoming a community that provides more customer-centric services, more beautiful and vibrant open spaces, and a community that is at the epicenter of South Florida's high society. By staying focused on our mission, vision and strategic priorities, the Town has achieved a great deal.

- Secured an Additional \$600,000 for the Town's Seawalls at Center and North Island
- Via the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF), the Town has secured funds totaling \$1.4 million for the new **Boat Dock and Lift** located on Center Island at the Strand and the Intra-Coastal Waterway. Much of the funds originate from forfeited monies and assets collected as part of State and Federal task force investigations. The balance is funded partially by the Florida Inlet Navigational District. The lift will be utilized by the Town's Marine Patrol boat. LEE Construction was selected as the contractor to complete this project.
- The Town officially opened its eagerly anticipated **Dog Park** at Tweddle Park in March. Other upgrades to Tweddle Park included a new sand volleyball court and basketball courts. The Dog Park is the first of its kind in Town and this project was spearheaded by Vice-Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas.

- Cosmetic improvements around Town included the **Planter Barriers Between Travel Lanes** that have been installed at the guardhouse at the Strand. The final missing component in the Town's newly remodeled parks was the addition of **Park Furniture**.
- The Town's newsletter saw a metamorphosis into a proper **Town Magazine** this year. Watch for additional updates and quality content as we continue to present valuable stories and information to our residents.
- Town is also preparing a comprehensive plan in regards to **Landscaping Maintenance on A1A** providing specifications for care and maintenance of landscaping, irrigation, pest control and fertilization.
- Acquisition of an **additional police dog** – Upon recommendation of Chief De Lucca, and with the approval of the Council, the Town purchased an additional canine for patrol work and to be cross-trained as a narcotics detector canine.
- **A1A FDOT Resurfacing** – The Town hosted an informational meeting at Town Hall with residents and the Florida Department of Transportation as FDOT discussed plans to **develop the design for a roadway project along SR A1A/Ocean Boulevard from SR 856/William Lehman Causeway/192 Street to the Miami-Dade/Broward County Line in Miami-Dade County.**
- The Town entered a lease agreement with Peterson Harley Davidson for the acquisition of 2 FLHP Roadkings for a period of 2 years and purchased necessary equipment upon the request of the Golden Beach Police Department, and with the approval of the Council. The Town secured an agreement with the City of Miami for 2 officers assigned to motorcycle patrol to train at their facility at no cost to the Town.
- A Request for Proposal was issued and a professional services agreement was finalized between the Town and **Eisman & Russo, Inc. for Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) Services** for the **bridge replacements** at the Strand and Navona Avenue.
- A proposal was approved granting **post-design engineering services to Corzo, Castella, Carballo, Thompson, Salman, P.A. (C3TS)** for the **bridge replacements** at the Strand and Navona Avenue.
- A contract was awarded to **American Bridge Company** for the **construction of the bridge replacements** at the Strand and Navona Avenue. With the diligent effort of our staff (TM and Finance), additional funds have been awarded from FEMA to use towards the ongoing bridge projects.

- A contract was awarded to **Iron Sky, Inc.** for the closed-circuit television and wireless data network system for installation of **security cameras** throughout the Town. The system comes with built-in motion detection software that can detect the slightest movement even during late-night hours and also offers the ability to read the license plate of every vehicle that enters and exits the Town. (\$600,000 project funded 100% by the Law Enforcement Trust Fund; No costs to our residents)
- **Fitness equipment** has been installed in North and South Parks enhancing the utility of our parks and open spaces and providing the benefits of exercise to inspire our residents of all ages to get moving toward better fitness.
- **Town Street Lighting Project** has been tabled and will be revisited because all of the proposals received came in higher than expected.

As you can see I have been pretty busy; but, I will continue to be proactive in order to ultimately achieve the level of financial stability we desire. Not only must I continue to focus on improving the effective and efficient delivery of municipal services, but I also must continue to meet the expectations our Residents have come to expect these last six years.

I will make strides each day to ensure that Golden Beach will continue to be known as **"A Town of Excellence"**.

I want to thank the Mayor and Town Council for the continuing opportunity to serve you and the residents of Golden Beach as your Town Manager. It is a privilege and honor I share with the other members of your Town staff. I know that by working together, we can make the future of Golden Beach truly something special.