



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive
Golden Beach, FL 33160

Official Minutes for the August 30, 2022
Special Town Council Meeting called for 6:00 P.M.

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A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmember's Present: Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, and Councilmember Bernard Einstein.

Councilmember's Not Present: Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein.

Staff Present: Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Assistant Town Manager Linda Epperson, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Lt. Leila Perez, Asst. to the Town Clerk Sallam "Destiny" AbuJarour.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

None

E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

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

Town Manager asked to move Item #13 to after council comments to allow for the officers to go home and get back to covering the roads. Also stated that on the dais they have both the printed version of the Sapoznik Benefits offerings and the backup to the change order for Gerrits.

F. GOOD AND WELFARE

None

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Spoke on the bond referendum election. 77% of the residents supported the bond, we all appreciate your confidence in us. For those that voted against the bond, if you have any questions or concerns I urge you to speak to the Town Manager or myself. Tonight we will approve a resolution for the issuance of \$7 million G.O Bond. We are very excited. The Town Administration did a great job on getting the vote out. I commend the town staff, you guys did a great job in informing the voters to vote. Last council meeting the Council did approve setting the rate for the assessment at \$80 monthly. Residents will see the monthly amount or annual total of \$960 on the 2023 tax bill to come in the mail. I urge you to call and follow up to sign up for Hotwire. Whether you are signed up or not signed up, every home is going to pay the \$960 yearly. This summer, the Town finalized a 3-year contract with our police officers with the Florida State Fraternal Order of Police. I congratulate the Town Manager for initiating and completing the contract as well as the Police Officers that are here and all the officers that are not here. You guys deserve it and believe me if we could give more we would give more. The Council and I, and the residents appreciate everything you guys do for us. Also congratulated Chief Herbello and his staff for achieving their accreditation. When he was going around speaking to residents about the bond referendum, so many residents spoke so highly about the police. The Town has started the security walls on the north side and south side of town. The Town has pretty much completed the budget. Hats off to Maria, the Finance Department and the Town Manager. Once again, keeping the millage rate at 8.4 mills. Everyone has seen it whether it be at the pump, food costs or salaries. Inflation is really killing us, but the Town Manager and his staff did a phenomenal job with this year's budget. The assessed values of the town has grown to over \$1.4-billion and we will hopefully see more growth within the next few years. Think that all of the capital improvements that we are doing throughout town is going to add tremendously to the value of the Town of Golden Beach. The economy could change tomorrow, but the good thing is that the Finance Department and the Town Manager have been doing 5 year budget forecasts of revenues and expenses. We feel very confident with the fund balance and reserve for the next 5 years, and with the tremendous growth in revenue and controlled expenses, that the Town is very secure. We are in the midst of hurricane season, I urge all residents to be proactive. Get your home ready. If you have any questions, you can call Town Hall.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Einstein

Spoke on the police department, needs to be expressed that you are really appreciated. If you look at our budget, you guys are a significant part of it. It's important to us and you are important to us. This has become a Town of very elite people. Think that the Town Manager and the Mayor are projecting some of the needs that some of these people want and almost demand from us. Sometimes I try to grasp it because it's hard sometimes, but I'm only one person. There's other people that are living on the beach and buying properties for \$68-million and that's significant and we've got to address what those needs and wants are and it appears that we are doing something right because everyone wants to come here. Congratulations on putting the budget together.

Councilwoman Lusskin

Look how far we've come. Golden Beach is a different Town. Always been pro-police. Appreciates everything you do for us. When I drive into Golden Beach I feel safe and I

feel comfortable and you have truly become family. Appreciate everything you do. The town is totally amazingly clean. Spoke on the wall at Massini Avenue stating that she feels that her work here is finally done.

Vice Mayor Mendal

To the residents stated that he appreciates their confidence in what they have done.

I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Under tight restrictions from the state, allowing us only to administer a factual campaign, we were able to pass the GO bond. We had the largest day of turn out in any primary election for the Town at 76.99%. This summer we took delivery of the generator of that pump station. This summer we spent it vigorously negotiating with the FOP – the largest and most respectable contract of the city’s history, finally bringing their wages up to par. Accepted over \$800,000 in grant funding. Although the \$1.2-million was vetoed by the Governor, we did deliver an additional \$800,000 in funding that the residents did not have to pay for. This year we also were able to work on the Civic Center. There was a 45-day delay. The Town chose to stop the project while we waited for the concrete for the roof. We will be switching our medical insurance providers if the Council approves it. This is a better insurance plan for our members. We still have over 112 families who have not subscribed to Hotwire. Promise to have a cctv project delivered to you. This summer for the first time ever we were able to have an Ocean Boulevard residents meeting. Chief Herbello and his command staff were able to have a very successful zoom meeting with the Ocean Blvd. residents. That is one project that the Mayor and I feel adamant about not rushing in order to get it done right. Making sure that we provide the best security net on our east side is just as important as our west side. The north and south walls are almost complete. Thank you to all of the town’s staff who helped provide security there around the clock. 60% of all new revenue went to the CBA contract. Did see the community values grow to 1.4 billion dollars. With new revenues come new responsibilities. This will be our seventh time keeping our millage rate at a combined 8.4 mills. Thanked Lissette Perez, Maria Camacho and all of our town’s staff for all of the work that they did. Thanked Chief Herbello and Assistant Town Manager Linda Epperson for all of the work in their departments. And finally thanked the Town’s Public Works Department for all of their hard work.

J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Helfman spoke via zoom apologizing for not being there for the meeting.

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

- 1. An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach Amending the Town’s Code of Ordinances to Provide for Maximum Building Heights.**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 66, ARTICLE III, DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTIONS 66-69.1, 66-69.2 AND 66-69.3; PROVIDING FOR MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1
Ordinance No. 601.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 601.22

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

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

2. An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach Amending the Town's Code of Ordinances Concerning the Finished Floor Elevation.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 66, ZONING, ARTICLE I, SECTIONS 66.1, DEFINITIONS AND ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 2, ELEVATIONS, SEC. 66-101, HOUSE AND GARAGE FLOORS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2
Ordinance No. 602.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 602.22

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

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that just like the other item there will be some changes with wording from NGVD to NGVA.

L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

3. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a Variance Request for 688 Massini Avenue for a seawall and deck of dock height increase.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING VARIANCE REQUESTS FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 688 MASSINI AVE., GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA 33160 TO PERMIT THE SEAWALL AND DOCK DECK TO BE AT A HEIGHT OF 4.97' NAVD 88, WHEN THE TOWN CODE PERMITS 4.425' NAVD 88.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 3
Resolution No. 2826.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2826.22

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendal.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that the Town strongly approves this variance. It is at the end of Massini Avenue. It has no impact to the surrounding homes. Not asking for anything different than what he currently has.

N. TOWN MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE

- Civic Center Construction Update
- Wellness Center and Town Park's Masterplan Update

Town Manager spoke stating that we did start again. Delayed the project because we are asking for an owner driven change order to make the building Class A building. Currently scheduled to be a Class C building. The project is on schedule, with the change order today we are adding another 60 days. We are very confident in that delivery schedule. The majority of our long-term lead items have already been delivered. Still waiting on elevators and windows – should be delivered by December.

As it relates to your wellness center and reimagined Tweddle Park, you have a commitment from this Administration that before we take any steps and move forward with the wellness center we will work on the reimagined Tweddle Park. As part of our process this summer in speaking with our residents we have learned and we feel that the wellness center project has now emerged as a different concept.

We are now looking to build a wellness center that is more like a community clubhouse. We do not intend to hire any consultants to do this, we plan to do this in-house with architects. We currently have a lot of maintenance projects that we are currently working on, we feel that we are qualified to manage these projects. We know what we like and we know what we want, so you will be very pleased with what you will see.

As part of your project with the GO bond there are other projects enumerated in the GO bond. We feel that these changes in the design will help achieve delivering all of the projects that were enumerated in the wellness center.

O. CONSENT AGENDA

- 4. Official Minutes of the June 14 Special Town Council Meeting**
- 5. Official Minutes of the June 14 Local Planning Agency Meeting**
- 6. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a Change Order from Permacast for the Walls at Massini and Terracina Avenues.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH AND PERMACAST WALLS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6
Resolution No. 2827.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2827.22

- 7. A Resolution of the Town Council Appointing a Trustee to the Employee Pension Plan Board.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING ONE TRUSTEE TO THE TOWN OF

GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES; PROVIDING FOR TERM OF APPOINTEE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7
Resolution No. 2828.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2828.22

8. A Resolution of the Town Council Expressing Support for the Establishment of A New High School to Service Golden Beach and Neighboring Communities.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW HIGH SCHOOL TO SERVICE GOLDEN BEACH AND NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO WORK WITH NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO ESTABLISH A NEW HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE AREA; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8
Resolution No. 2829.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2829.22

9. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a Joint Project Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Transportation for Turf and Landscape Maintenance.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND EQUIPPING OF ONE POLARIS RANGER AND ONE POLARIS SPORTSMAN POLICE VEHICLE AND THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP THE VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 9
Resolution No. 2830.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2830.22

10. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a Waste Disposal Agreement with Wheelabrator South Broward, Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING A WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT WITH WHEELABRATOR SOUTH BROWARD, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 10
Resolution No. 2831.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2831.22

Mayor Singer stated that agreement with the waste disposal company takes 100% of the trash collection to a recycling waste and energy plant. The agreement solidifies the recycling agreement.

Consensus vote 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Items O4-O10 pass.

P. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

11. A Resolution of the Town Council Ratifying the Maximum Proposed Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE MAXIMUM PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR F/Y 2022-2023 THAT WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FLORIDA STATUTES AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 11
Resolution No. 2832.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2832.22

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendal.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>

Councilmember Bernard Einstein Aye
Councilmember Judy Lusskin Aye
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein Absent

The motion passed.

Mayor Singer spoke on the item.

Stated that the proposed operating millage rate is 7.735, the voted debt service is .665, and the combined millage rate is 8.400 mills.

It is a tremendous victory for the residents of the Town of Golden Beach. Inflation is crazy in this economy, so to keep the millage rate and do what we are doing it speaks volumes for our Town Manager and our Finance Department. Job well done.

Town Manager stated that the budget meetings are scheduled for September 13th and September 28th.

12. A Resolution of the Town Council Accepting a Proposal for Employee Health, Dental and Vision Insurance Coverage for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FOR THE PROVISION OF A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN, INCLUDING A VISION PROVISION AND A DENTAL PLAN, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONDITION OF AWARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 12
 Resolution No. 2833.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2833.22

A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Mendal, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer Aye
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal Aye
Councilmember Bernard Einstein Aye
Councilmember Judy Lusskin Aye
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein Absent

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that a few years ago Officer Carrazana introduced the Town to the Berenguer Group who helped the Town get from a United Healthcare to where we are now. Although the Town is not moving forward with renewing with them, wanted to thank Augustin and Juan with the Berenguer Group for everything they provided the Town.

Unfortunately they didn't meet the litmus test and the Town is recommending to go with Sapoznik Insurance as our new agent of record for all of our insurance offerings. We also recommend we switch from AvMed to Florida Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Florida Blue). Renewal rates came in at an 11% increase during the current fiscal year. This plan is a 7% increase but a much richer plan. We plan to keep the TransAmerica co-pay gap insurance.

In addition to being more competitive with coverage, this covers all of your labs.

The best part of this plan and this is what lost our current broker the plan, the prescription drug tiers. Under the new plan, if your medicine is medically necessary it now falls under one of three tiers. This allows us to keep CVS and it expands the number of hospitals you can go to. That is why we feel that this is a richer plan.

All of the brokers have a commitment to help us through the transition. The other great thing about Florida Blue, even though it is a 7% increase, we will not pay the premiums for the second month of the coverage. Did not factor those savings in, but will get that number to the Council.

Christine Nunzio, Sapoznik Insurance stated that participants will not need referrals, but all procedures will need prior authorization.

Town Manager stated that on all out-of-state travel, if you have an emergency you go to the emergency room and it will be covered. But if you have a runny nose, you go to an urgent care center. We want to work on educating our members to use the benefits that we are paying for anyway.

Councilmember Lusskin asked if rescue is called can the patient choose the hospital that they are taken to.

Town Manager stated that ambulance services are covered.

Councilmember Einstein asked about the League of Cities.

Town Manager stated that they refused to quote us.

Vice Mayor Mendal asked if there were any issues with the staff with the change.

Town Manager stated that there are some employees who will have to get the POS plan because their doctors do not take the HMO plan. But the Town takes these situations on case by case and try to help with these unique situations when they arise.

Town Manager stated that there will be premium increases to our members. Some of those premium increases will be absorbed by the one month rate pass.

13. A Resolution of the Town Council Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Florida State Lodge, Fraternal Order of Police.

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

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 13
Resolution No. 2834.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2834.22

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Einstein.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that he ensured that Town staff is adequately trained and equipped in order to ensure to be the best of any small city to provide for its residents. Also, to be as competitively paid compared to neighboring agencies. Understanding that Town's revenue source for our community is limited at 380 buildable lots and majority of revenue comes from the community. This agreement is the single largest agreement that we will provide to employees and consumes 60% of all new revenue at a value of \$419,000 in Year 1 and puts us in par with neighboring agencies. This would adjust police salaries from its base pay of \$43,000 to cap out over a 12 year period. It is not what the Union asked for, but we feel that we have met pretty close to what they were requesting. The biggest impact of this is the variance of salaries. They come to work for the Town and dedicate 20 years of service and then retire and are competitively paid in comparison to neighboring agencies. It also provides for adequate compensation for our sergeants. We have the highest of 3 years for pension. This contract allows us to get closer to that higher number and be more competitive. We have increased the premium pay for specialty units as it relates to off-duty rates and we wanted to stay competitive with other cities while not passing that cost to the residents. The rates have increased significantly for vendors but increased minimally for residents. It increases the pay for FTO officers when they have a trainee with them. It also provides for HRA matching dollars. It provides for new bulletproof vests, which are cooler for the officers to wear. This is the most aggressive contract we have been able to provide. Would like to

publicly thank some individuals from the police department including David Carrazana, Sergeant Soca and Sergeant Bautista. Asked David Carrazana to come and speak on behalf of the union.

Officer Carrazana thanked the Council for understanding the needs of the officers and spoke on their behalf. They do not complain and tell us what they need to get done for the Town. They go out of their way to help the residents as much as they can.

Town Manager stated that they were very aggressive in negotiating this contract and in understanding how this contract will be implemented. Would like to remind both the members and the employees that this contract is mutually beneficial. Designed to keep more officers on the streets with more engagement with the public and with residents. They will be adequately compensated with the best equipment and best training in South Florida. It was a pleasure to negotiate this contract. All of our officers take great pride in working in our community.

Town Clerk read a letter into the record from residents Michelle and Peter Manners.

Mayor Singer added that the Town wanted to be competitive with the police contract and this new contract will add longevity with our police department.

14. A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach Providing for the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, not to exceed \$7,000,000, for the Construction of a Wellness Center and other improvements.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2022, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTION OF A WELLNESS CENTER, AND ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPROVEMENTS TO PARK(S), LIGHTING, THE BEACH PAVILION, SIGNAGE AND FOUNTAINS, AND PAYING COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING THAT SUCH BONDS SHALL CONSTITUTE A GENERAL OBLIGATION OF THE TOWN AND THAT THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THE TOWN SHALL BE IRREVOCABLY PLEDGED FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND THE INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS; AWARDED THE SALE OF THE BONDS TO THE UNDERWRITER NAMED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR SECURITY FOR THE BONDS; PROVIDING THAT SUCH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SHALL CONSTITUTE GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOWN AND THAT THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THE TOWN SHALL BE IRREVOCABLY PLEDGED FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND THE INTEREST ON SUCH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS

AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; PROVIDING CERTAIN DETAILS OF THE BONDS; DELEGATING CERTAIN MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS TO THE MAYOR AND/OR TOWN MANAGER; AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF THE BONDS TO THE UNDERWRITER; APPOINTING A PAYING AGENT AND A BOND REGISTRAR; APPROVING THE FORM AND EXECUTION OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AUTHORIZING OBTAINING A BOND INSURANCE POLICY AND ANY NECESSARY COVENANTS WITH RESPECT THERETO; COVENANTING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12; AUTHORIZING A BOOK-ENTRY REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 14
Resolution No. 2835.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2835.22

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Einstein.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager spoke on the item.

Lourdes Abadin, Estrada, Hinojosa spoke on the item.

Councilmember Einstein asked about how the Town could be rated.

Mrs. Abadin stated that there is no reason to believe that we would be rated any different than we have been in the past.

Councilmember Einstein asked about the sale of the bonds

Vice Mayor Mendal asked about the bond offering dates beginning from 2039 and maturing in 2052.

Town Manager stated that we are going to be paying interest only until our current bonds mature. Once the existing bonds mature then we will go into principal and interest.

Vice Mayor Mendal asked why this structure.

Mrs. Abadin stated that the reasoning behind this is to not put a strain on the Town's millage.

Vice Mayor Mendal asked why not have the whole series end in 2052.

Mrs. Abadin stated that the 30 years is the longest that we see.

Town Manager summarized what they were approving.

Vice Mayor Mendal commented that he thinks the 5.5% is too high.

Town Manager stated that the Town does rely on the recommendations of our bond counsel.

Town Attorney Lori Smith Lalla spoke on the item.

Vice Mayor Mendal stated that he still thinks it seems too high.

Town Manager went over what the cost of issuance is going to be.

Town Manager asked Mrs. Abadin to schedule some time with Vice Mayor Mendal to go over how they got to these numbers. Does not like when a Councilmember feels uncomfortable with the number's structure. Does not want anyone on the dais to feel that this is not a good deal for Golden Beach. Do want us to take action tonight. Need you to take action tonight. If a Councilmember does not feel that this is an accurate number, they can make a motion to reconsider.

Councilmember Einstein stated that she works for us. She is advising us on what is the most fiduciarly responsible move for the Town.

15. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a Change Order to the Civic Center Contract between the Town and Gerrits Construction, Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGN-BUILD AGREEMENT WITH GERRITS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE TOWN

CENTER PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS;
PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 15
Resolution No. 2836.22

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2836.22

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Mendal.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager spoke on the item. This brings an owner driven change order bringing our contract total to \$7,086,548. This is not because we are over budget or because the contractor is asking for more money. All of the money is going to areas that the residents will benefit from. Stated that the reason why we are at over \$7-million is because of the elevator costs and the soft costs. This brings our building to a Class A building, we cannot be subpar.

Councilmember Einstein asked about the drop ceiling item.

Town Manager stated that it allows for a more elegant look where our residents will have their events and gatherings. We wanted to put the money where our residents would enjoy it.

Councilmember Einstein asked the Town Manager for more information on where the expenses were coming from.

Town Manager stated that the \$248,000 is to change all of the lighting in the building.

Councilmember Einstein asked if this is somewhat of what they have in Sunny Isles.

Town Manager stated for the public to know that he does spend close to one hour with each Councilmember prior to the meeting going over the agenda.

Councilmember Einstein stated if not more time.

Councilmember Einstein asked about the signage.

Town Manager stated that the signage expenses are to make sure that we are not getting signs at Home Depot and that we are installing custom-made signs.

Q. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:
None Requested

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal:
None Requested

Councilmember Bernard Einstein:
None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin:
None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein:
None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz
None Requested

Town Manager stated that he wanted to go over a few things.

Each member was provided with a copy of the budget book. Lissette Perez will be scheduling individual meetings with each member to go over the budget.

The first budget hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th and the second hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28th.

Also asked for the October meeting to be moved to October 25th at 6:00 p.m. Council agreed.

Also reminded Council that the Veterans Day event will be held on Friday, November 11th at 5 p.m.

R. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Councilmember Lusskin seconded by Vice Mayor Mendal.

Consensus vote 4 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez
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Town Clerk