

# 100 Ocean Boulevard Golden Beach, FL 33160

# Official Agenda for the March 18, 2025 Regular Town Council Meeting called for 6:00 P.M.

**Zoom Room Meeting ID: 864 5946 3293** Password: 840903

For Dial In Only: Call 305.224.1968 Meeting ID: 864 5946 3293

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- A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

NEW POLICE CORPORALS PROMOTIONAL CEREMONY

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/MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE
  - Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)
  - Wellness Center
  - Police Annex
- J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

K. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

None

#### L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

#### M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

#### N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Official Minutes of the February 25, 2025 Special Town Council Meeting
- 2. A Resolution of the Town Council Appointing Members to the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA; APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH WELLNESS CENTER CONSTRUCTION SELECTION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 2

Resolution No. 2997.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2997.25

#### O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

3. A Resolution of the Town Council Awarding Request for Proposal ("RFP") 2024-002, Wellness Center Construction to John Bell Construction. Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AWARDING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ("RFP") 2024-002 WELLNESS CENTER CONSTRUCTION TO JOHN BELL CONSTRUCTION, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 3

Resolution No. 2998.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2998.25

# 4. A Resolution of the Town Council Assigning Each Councilmember the Duty to Inquire Into An Area of Governmental Responsibility.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA ASSIGNING EACH COUNCILMEMBER THE DUTY TO INQUIRE INTO THE OPERATION OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 4

Resolution No. 2999.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2999.25

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

Mayor Glenn Singer:

None

Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin:

None

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein:

None Requested

Councilmember Bernard Einstein:

None Requested

Councilmember Jessie Mendal:

None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

The Strand Entrance and Ocean Boulevard Wayfinding System

#### Q. ADJOURNMENT:

#### DECORUM:

ANY PERSON MAKING IMPERTINENT OR SLANDEROUS REMARKS OR WHO BECOMES BOISTEROUS WHILE ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL SHALL BE BARRED FROM THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER. NO CLAPPING, APPLAUDING, HECKLING OR VERBAL OUTBURSTS IN SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO A SPEAKER OR HIS OR HER REMARKS SHALL BE PERMITTED. NO SIGNS OR PLACE CARDS SHALL BE ALLOWED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS. PERSONS EXITING THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS SHALL DO SO QUIETLY.

THE USE OF CELL PHONES IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS IS NOT PERMITTED. RINGERS MUST BE SET TO SILENT MODE TO AVOID DISRUPTION OF PROCEEDINGS.

PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 286.0105, THE TOWN HEREBY ADVISES THE PUBLIC THAT: IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THIS BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT ITS MEETING OR HEARING, HE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR THAT PURPOSE, AFFECTED PERSONS MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD SHALL INCLUDE THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. THIS NOTICE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE CONSENT BY THE TOWN FOR THE INTRODUCTION OR ADMISSION OF OTHER INADMISSIBLE OR IRRELEVANT EVIDENCE, NOR DOES IT AUTHORIZE CHALLENGES OR APPEALS NOT OTHERWISE ALLOWED BY LAW.

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND PARTICIPATE, PLEASE CALL THE TOWN MANAGER AT 305-932-0744 EXT 224 AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

RESIDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOMED AND INVITED TO ATTEND.



One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** March 18, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &

**Town Council Members** 

From: Lissette Perez,

Town Clerk

**Subject: Town Council Minutes** 

Item Numbers:

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# **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached official minutes of the February 25, 2025 Special Town Council meeting.



100 Ocean Boulevard Golden Beach, FL 33160

# Official Minutes for the February 25, 2025 Special Town Council Meeting called for 6:00 P.M.

**Zoom Room Meeting ID: 894 2467 4224** Password: 625805

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THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE AT GOOD AND WELFARE; PLEASE HOLD ALL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS UNTIL THEN! THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT ALL COMMENTS VIA EMAIL TO <a href="mailto:lperez@goldenbeach.us">Lperez@goldenbeach.us</a> BY 2:00 P.M. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025.

#### A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM.

#### B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmembers Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Assistant Town Manager Linda Epperson, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Finance Director Maria Camacho, Police Chief Rudy Herbello, Assistant Chief Yovany Diaz, Building Department Manager Lissett Rovira, Public Works Director Kirk McKoy, Resident Services Director Michael Glidden, HR Generalist and Assistant to the Town Clerk Elena Cheung, Administrative Services Coordinator Amber Schwabenbauer

#### C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Rudy Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

#### D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

Swearing-in of Officer Ryan Kramer and Officer Frank Sotolongo Presentation to Councilmember Jaime Mendal for his eight years of service

#### E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

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

#### F. GOOD AND WELFARE

**Dina Nicolella** Bringing back community service/youth leadership and recycling bins.

**Town Clerk** read letter into record on behalf of Steven Birmingham regarding banning noisy gas-powered leaf blowers.

Francine Allen Suggesting bocce ball court and golf putting green

#### G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Congratulate Jessie Mendal and welcome to the family. Swearing-in ceremony is on Thursday. Thank you to Jaime Mendal for all that you have done over the years.

Golden Beach is safe and secure; but our neighboring communities have had an uptick in crime with stolen cars and break-ins. Urge residents to be diligent and lock your doors; don't leave your keys in your car; if you see something, say something. We have been proactive; I need the residents to be also proactive. Don't make us an easy target. Swearing-in ceremony is on Thursday at 6:00 PM. It will be a special event.

Putting green and bocce courts are good suggestions; maybe down the road have one in North Park and one in South Park.

#### H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

**Vice Mayor** I keep seeing kids on scooters with no helmets. I wish there's something we can do but I know our hands are tied. Town Manager says it's a state issue.

**Councilmember Bernstein** Dina, I think that's a great idea with leadership. Regarding recycling, in the past everyone put them in the wrong bin so it took extra time to sort out. Is there an alternative to the gas-powered leaf blowers? I love the idea of putting green and bocce court. Consider participating in community events

**Councilmember Lusskin** Congratulations to the Town Manager and the first MDCCMA luncheon. The sidewalks are very dirty, a lot from dogs. Congratulations to Miguel Diaz's promotion to Corporal. Singer Park is becoming worse especially in back; the front looks beautiful but it can become dangerous in the back. Golden Beach Youth Leadership fell down the wayside during COVID and I will be working with Jisel and put that back together.

**Councilmember Mendal** I will leave my speech for Thursday; but thank you for your kind words; these eight years were invaluable.

#### I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT/MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE

We were disappointed in our Valentines Day turnout; we had 16 residents. We are going to be re-evaluating the number and value of our events. We will be putting on our Spring Break activities for our youth. We have scheduled bounce house fair in South Park; board games day, craft day, movie lunch with the Chief in the bunker.

Thank you for allowing us to host for the very first time the Miami Dade City and County Managers Association (MDCCMA) luncheon here in this building. We are going to start hosting more events in this building.

I want to put our residents on notice that we will start enforcing mandatory poop scooping, curbing your animal. I've instructed the police to give one warning and then a fine.

I already commissioned to create an enclosure for the back of Singer Park with gates so we can have storage space.

Tomorrow, I will be meeting with FDOT to evaluate and come up with a solution for the potholes on Ocean Blvd going south.

I want to welcome and invite all residents to join us on Friday at Tweddle Park from 12:00 to 2:00 for our Black History Month and Employee Recognition luncheon.

- Swearing-In Ceremony Update: We expect over 250 guests; it is about 35-40 minute program with a sit-down dinner; dress appropriately it will be cold that night.
- Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) has gone live; we already have 4 cameras on Ocean; we installed cameras at Tweddle Park to monitor activity on the courts.
- Wellness Center: We are now under a cone of silence; on Monday at 2pm all bids are due, and we will open bids here in council chambers. Once we announce the bids, they will be referred to a Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee which you will be appointing tonight.
- The Strand Guardhouse: We are looking at re-imagining the Strand entrance as part of our new way-finding program; we will be modernizing it.
- New Way-Finding System to Include: Entry Features, Signage & Fountains
- Police Annex: Next week, we are starting to move police personnel into the bunker so we can begin the demo of old town hall.
- Film Permit Fees Collected During the 2024 Calendar Year

#### J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

#### K. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

1. An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town of Golden Beach Employees' Pension Plan To Provide for Updated Definitions and Optional Forms of Benefits.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 24, "PERSONNEL," ARTICLE II, "RETIREMENT," DIVISION 1 "GENERAL EMPLOYEES" BY AMENDING THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN AT SECTION 24-31 "DEFINITIONS, AND SECTION 24-34 "OPTIONAL FORMS OF BENEFITS"; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Ordinance No. 1

Ordinance No. 607.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 607.25

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember</u> Bernstein and on roll call the following vote ensued:

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

Aye
Aye

The motion passed

**Town Manager** Codifies the Town's chartered officers that they have a different pension program for being chartered officers.

#### L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

2. An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances to Clarify the Permitted Location and Heights of Walls within Zone One.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REVISING ARTICLE IV "SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRICT REGULATIONS", DIVISION 7, "WALLS AND FENCES", SECTION 66-186, "HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS", WITHIN CHAPTER 66 "ZONING", TO CLARIFY THE PERMITTED LOCATION AND HEIGHTS OF WALLS WITHIN ZONE ONE: PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY: PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION: PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS: AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Ordinance No. 2

Ordinance No. 608.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 608.25

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Mendal</u>, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

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

The motion passed

**Town Attorney** Over the past 60-90 day, there was confusion between our Planning staff and the Manager of interpretation of permitted lengths and heights of walls in Zone 1, as it relates to walls between properties along the side of each property. That resulted in a lawsuit that was filed against the Town and one of the property owners by

a neighboring owner. We don't see a need for litigation when it's clearly an issue of interpretation and simply a clarification. We are proposing to clarify how you measure the height and distance of the wall. It is in the code and there is a dispute over how to interpret it; we felt the best way to resolve this was to just clarify the code. It eliminates the need to litigate.

**Mark Grafton**, attorney representing **Chris and Carolyn Gilson**, owners of 601 Ocean Blvd. spoke.

#### M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

#### N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3. Official Minutes of the January 21, 2025 Regular Town Council Meeting
- 4. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving A Criminal Justice User Agreement between the Town and the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A CRIMINAL JUSTICE USER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE MIAMI-DADE SHERIFF'S OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 4

Resolution No. 2994.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2994.25

Consensus vote 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Items N3-N4 pass.

#### O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

5. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving Change Orders to the Tweddle Park Pump Station Retrofit Project with Southeastern Engineering. Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING CHANGE ORDERS TO THE TWEDDLE PARK PUMPSTATION RETROFIT PROJECT WITH SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 5

#### Resolution No. 2995.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2995.25

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Mendal</u>, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein

Aye
Aye

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein Stepped out

Councilmember Judy Lusskin Aye
Councilmember Jaime Mendal Aye

The motion passed

6. A Resolution of the Town Council Appointing Members to the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA; APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH WELLNESS CENTER CONSTRUCTION SELECTION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 6

Resolution No. 2996.25

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2996.25

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Mendal</u>, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

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

Aye
Aye

The motion passed

**Town Manager** We are trying to identify a 5<sup>th</sup> member for the committee. This committee will meet only once to evaluate the proposals we get and will make a recommendation to the Mayor and I.

Councilmember Mendal suggested Evelyn Mendal

Charles Fistel Is the selection committee made up of members in the industry?

# Mayor Singer Yes

## P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:

None

Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein:

None

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein:

None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin:

None Requested

Councilmember Jaime Mendal:

None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

Rules for the Utilization of the Beach Pavilion for Events & Associated Fees

We are going to set some stricter parameters. We are starting to see a lot of applications requesting to set up the day before because they throw these elaborate parties. We are putting an end to that because it takes a day away from another resident. You must set up the day of the party and break down the day of the party. We are not going to allow elaborate designs of our beach. No more changing the design of our beach pavilion. We also need to define who can use the pavilion. It needs to be only immediate family members who should be able to apply for a permit. It's a slap in the face to our residents that we're allowing multiple applications by the same household. We charge \$500 to rent the pavilion. The rental fee needs to be reevaluated. Right now, the parties are 3 hours long; we've been allowing 4-5 hours. We are not allowing amplifiers; the police know if they hear sound from the sidewalk, it needs to be lowered. We also need stricter rules on Sunday use. I need the council's guidance. It's time we need to refocus our efforts to minimize the impacts of our beach pavilion.

**Councilmember Bernstein** I like everything you said. Additionally, they're starting so early and they block the pathways for vehicles and bikes, even to the beach.

**Mayor Singer** I agree. I think we should raise the fee to \$2500. The wear and tear on the pavilion is ridiculous. We should come up with a fair number and stick to it.

**Councilmember Lusskin** What about the days of usage?

**Town Manager** One every Saturday and one Sunday a month. The Mayor and I were talking about having it start later in the afternoon on Sundays or at night. Maybe we can limit the number of Saturdays and force more on the weekdays. And immediate family members only.

**Ariel Friedler** I did a lot of research on many cities that are the equivalent of Golden Beach and there are very few that allows what happens in this community in terms of free for all parties. I'm glad to hear that now you're starting to limit the noise. I'm begging you to continue the direction that you've been going.

**Town Manager** Let me work with each of you and bring you individual recommendations.

During my report, we're still working on the Strand and way-finding system. We are calling for a workshop to talk about what we want to do at the Strand and at the north side of town. The Town Clerk will be asking for your availability so we can look at these ideas. This is my next priority after we award the Wellness Center site. This is a big decision for us and it warrants a workshop.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday at 6 PM at the beach pavilion for the swearing-in ceremony. If you have not rsvp'd, please do so.

Next meeting is March 18.

### Q. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Singer motioned to adjourn the meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez Lissette Perez Town Clerk



# 100 Ocean Boulevard Golden Beach, FL 33160

# MEMORANDUM

Item Number:

**Date:** March 18, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &

**Town Council Members** 

From: Lissette Perez,

Town Clerk

Subject: Resolution No. 2997.25 Appointing Members to the Town of

Golden Beach Wellness Center Construction Selection

Committee

## **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 2997.25 as presented.

## **Background:**

In scheduling the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee meeting, several of the original members had scheduling conflicts and the Administration was unable to establish a quorum. The Town Manager, in consultation with the Mayor and the members of the Town Council, was able to identify residents who were qualified and able to serve on the committee.

Per the Code of Ordinances, all Boards and Committees are established by the Mayor and Town Council. The Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee will be comprised of five members appointed by the Town Council. The members will serve to review the proposals submitted in response to Request for Proposals (RFP) 2024-002, Wellness Center Construction.

This Resolution takes the place of Resolution No. 2996.25.

#### Fiscal Impact:

None

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2997.25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH WELLNESS CENTER CONSTRUCTION SELECTION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, this Resolution replaces Resolution No. 2996.25.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach is committed to the development and construction of a new Wellness Center, intended to enhance the health and well-being of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee will be responsible for evaluating proposals and making recommendations related to the selection of contractors and vendors for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Town Manager are authorized to appoint individuals to serve on this Committee, ensuring a fair and transparent selection process.

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

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted.** That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Appointment, Term, Designation of Chair. That the Town Council hereby appoints the following individuals to the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee:

1. Chris Masciatti

- 2. Eric Cohen
- 3. Linda Epperson
- 4. Evelyn Mendal
- 5. Terri Sonn

The members are appointed based on their expertise and experience in relevant fields such as construction, architecture, project management and finance. The appointed members shall serve on the Committee for the duration of the Wellness Center Construction Project, until their responsibilities are formally concluded or otherwise determined by the Mayor and Town Manager. The Committee will meet as necessary to evaluate proposals, review project updates, and make recommendations for the successful completion of the project. Mr. Eric Cohen is hereby designated the Chairperson of the Committee and will oversee the operations and meetings.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Additional Provisions.</u> The Committee members shall conduct their duties with integrity, fairness, and transparency. All meetings shall be open to the public in accordance with applicable Florida Sunshine Laws, and any conflicts of interest will be disclosed and addressed in a timely manner.

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

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Sponsored by **Town Administration**.

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seconde	d by				and on roll	call the follo	owing	vote en	sue	d:	

Mayor Glenn Singer Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin Councilmember Bernard Einstein Councilmember Jessie Mendal Councilmember Kenneth Bernsteir	— — — —
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the	Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach
Florida, this <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>March</u> , 2025.	
- ATTEST:	MAYOR GLENN SINGER
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

Item Number:

**Date:** March 18, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &

**Town Council Members** 

From: Alexander Diaz,

Town Manager

Subject: Resolution No. 2998.25- Awarding RFP 2024-002 Wellness

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Center Construction to John Bell Construction, Inc.

# Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 2998.25 as presented.

## Background:

On August 23, 2022, the Town of Golden Beach held a Special Election to approve a Bond Referendum regarding the issuance of \$7 million in General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds for the explicit purpose of building a Wellness Center. The Residents of the Town overwhelmingly approved the Bond Referendum with over 75% of the votes cast being in favor of the issuance of the bond.

On October 30, 2023, the Town issued a Request for Submittals (RFS) to select the Architect of Record for the Design of a Wellness Center. After a series of workshops and council meetings a final design was approved by Council, awarding Eric Dempsey Architecture, LLC. the project on June 18, 2024, via Resolution No. 2953.24.

On December 20, 2024, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued for the Construction of the Wellness Center.

The timeline of events is as follows:

- January 16, 2025, a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference was held with 8 firms in attendance
- January 23, 2025, a Second Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference was held with 12 firms in attendance.

- The Town Council appointed members to the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee comprised of both residents and staff.
- March 3, 2025, was the deadline for submissions two firms submitted proposals, John Bell Construction, Inc. and Bosk Contracting, LLC.
- March 3, 2025, the Town held a bid opening, at which time it was announced that John Bell Construction, Inc. submitted a proposal for \$5,229,513.05, and Bosk Contracting, LLC. submitted a proposal for \$5,864,261.43.
- March 11, 2025, the Selection Committee members held workshops with the two qualifying firms, scoring them and making a recommendation to enter into an agreement with John Bell Construction, Inc.

I am requesting authorization to negotiate a contract for construction services with John Bell Construction, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$5,229,513.05. Upon reaching an agreement, I am asking the Town Council to authorize the Mayor to execute the said agreement as drafted and accepted by the Town's Attorney.

# Fiscal Impact:

An amount not to exceed \$5,229,513.05.

#### TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2998.25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AWARDING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ("RFP") 2024-002 WELLNESS CENTER CONSTRUCTION TO JOHN BELL CONSTRUCTION, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2024 the Town of Golden Beach (the "Town") issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") requesting qualified firms to submit their proposals for the Construction of the Town's Wellness Center (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, on January 16, 2025 and on January 23, 2025 the Town held mandatory pre-bid conferences at which it discussed the RFP; and

**WHEREAS**, on or before the submittal deadline of March 3, 2025, two qualified firms responded to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2025, the Wellness Center Construction Selection Committee, appointed by Council, heard presentations from each of the qualified firms; and

**WHEREAS,** at the conclusion of the presentations, the committee provided the following scores for each of the two firms, in accordance with the scoring criteria published in the RFP:

John Bell Construction Inc. 403 points out of a possible 500

Bosk Contracting, LLC. <u>230 points out of a possible 500</u>

**WHEREAS**, the Town Manager is in agreement with the recommendation of the Committee Members and is seeking authorization to begin negotiations with John Bell Construction, Inc. for a contract in an amount not to exceed \$5,229,513.05; and

WHEREAS, the Town Mayor is authorized to execute said contract as drafted and accepted by the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town of Golden Beach to award the project to John Bell Construction, Inc.

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

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted**. Each of the above stated recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed and incorporated herein.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Approval</u>. The Town Council hereby awards RFP 2024-002, Construction of Wellness Center to John Bell Construction, Inc.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Implementation</u>. The Town Manager and Town Mayor are hereby authorized to negotiate a contract with John Bell Construction, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$5,229,513.05. The Town Mayor is also authorized to execute the contract as drafted and accepted by the Town Attorney.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Effective Date.</u> 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 Judy Lusskin	
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	
Councilmember Jessie Mendal	

Sponsored by **Town Administration**.

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

Florida, this <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>March</u> , 2025.	
ATTEST:	MAYOR GLENN SINGER
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

Item Number:

**Date:** March 18, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &

**Town Council Members** 

From: Alexander Diaz,

Town Manager

Subject: Resolution No. 2999.25 - Assigning Councilmembers The

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Duty To Inquire Into The Operation Of A Particular Area Of

Town Operation

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 2999.25 as presented.

## **Background:**

Section 3.05 of the Town Charter calls for the Town Council to be assign the duty to inquire into the operation of a particular area of governmental responsibility for a period of six months in order for the Councilmember to become informed as to the objectives of the government of the Town.

The current assignments are as follows:

Mayor Singer <u>Community Engagement</u>

Vice-Mayor Einstein <u>Public Safety</u>

Councilmember Bernstein Operations Management

Councilmember Lusskin Town Manager
Councilmember Jaime Mendal Fiscal Health

At the meeting you will be asked to assume an area of interest before final adoption of the resolution.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

None

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2999.25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA ASSIGNING EACH COUNCILMEMBER THE DUTY TO INQUIRE INTO THE OPERATION OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.05 of the Town Charter of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, the Town Council shall assign each Councilmember the duty to inquire into the operation of a particular area of governmental responsibility for a period of six months in order for the Councilmember to become informed as to the objectives of the government of the Town; and

WHEREAS, for added efficiency the Council would also like to assign each Councilmember the duty to inquire into the operation of a particular area of governmental responsibility for the following six-month period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds that the assignments as specified herein are 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:

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

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Assignments.</u> That in accordance with Section 3.05 of the Town Charter, the following assignments are hereby approved and shall remain in effect for a period of six months, from March 2025 to August 2025:

Mayor Singe Vice-Mayor I Councilmem Councilmem Councilmem	Lusskin ber Bernstein ber Einstein	
And the following as	ssignments are hereb	by approved and shall remain in effect for a period
of six months, from	September 2025 to	February 2026:
Mayor Singe Vice-Mayor I Councilmem Councilmem Councilmem	Lusskin ber Bernstein ber Einstein	
Section 3.	Conflict. That all re	esolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this
Resolution are here	eby repealed to the e	extent of such conflict.
Section 4.	Implementation.	hat the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to

**Section 5. Effective Date.** That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.

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Sponsored by <b>Town Administration</b> .	
The Motion to adopt the foregoing F	Resolution was offered by
seconded by, and on roll	call the following vote ensued:
Mayor Glenn Singer Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin Councilmember Bernard Einstein Councilmember Jessie Mendal Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town	Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida
this <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>March</u> , 2025.	
ATTEST:	MAYOR GLENN SINGER
LISSETTE PEREZ TOWN CLERK	
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