FIRE-RESCUE FACILITIES BOND ISSUE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

City of Fort Lauderdale 100 North Andrews Avenue 8th Floor Conference Room Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301 November 18, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

		1/2009 through 12/2009 Cumulative Attendance	
Committee Member	Attendance	Р	Α
June Page, Chair	Р	7	0
Steve Kirsch, Vice Chair	Р	6	0
Frank Anderson	А	4	3
Nadine Hankerson [6:03]	Р	3	2
Thornie Jarrett	Р	6	1
Allan Kozich	Р	6	1
Patrick McTigue	Р	7	0
Frederick Nesbitt	Р	7	0
Douglas Ruth	А	3	4

There are currently nine appointed members to the Committee. Therefore, attendance of five members constitutes a quorum.

<u>Staff</u>

Albert Carbon, Public Works Director Frank Snedaker, City Architect Mark Friedman, Construction Manager Chantal Botting, Battalion Chief J. Opperlee, ProtoType Services recording clerk

Communications to the City Commission

None

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Page called the meeting of the Fire-Rescue Bond Blue Ribbon Committee to order at 6:01 p.m.

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2. Approval of Minutes: September 2010 Meeting

Motion made by Mr. Kozich, seconded by Mr. McTigue, to approve the minutes of the Committee's September 2010 meeting. In a voice vote, the Committee unanimously approved.

3. Staff Liaison Report

[Ms Hankerson arrived at 6:03]

Station 35

Mr. Carbon said they had received the bids and the job had been awarded to a firm from the west coast of Florida for \$2,480,765. Mr. Carbon said staff had checked the company's references. He noted that the price per square foot was \$196 and reminded the Committee that the first Fire Station contract award had been priced at \$251 per square foot.

Station 46

Mr. Carbon reported Station 46 would go to the Building Department the following day and he anticipated it would go out to bid by mid December with award in February.

Station 13

Mr. Carbon said they were trying to arrange a conference call with the State Parks Department because they were trying to get additional property underneath the Sunrise bridge. He stated they had a plan in to the State regarding the property and the State had no objection. The problem was getting approvals from DEP and Antioch College. Mr. Carbon reminded the Committee that this had been put on hold during the feasibility study.

Station 54

Mr. Carbon said they were seeking temporary facilities and they were talking to the developer. He stated the waterfront property that included the property they proposed building the Fire Station on was in bank-controlled foreclosure. Mr. Carbon said the developer's proposal was to build a Publix with ground level parking on the current Fire Station site. He stated if the City built the Fire Station, it would throw the developer's project off. Mr. Carbon said in 2008/2009 the developer had been willing to swap properties.

Mr. Nesbitt asked what had happened with the hospital. Chief Botting stated she had emailed her Broward General contact twice this month but he had yet to respond.

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4. Member Discussion Items

Mr. Carbon explained to Chair Page that the first \$20 million bond issue had been spent, and they had included two full bond payments in the budget for the year. Mr. Carbon stated they were currently seeking a financial advisor and the second \$20 million bond would be one of his/her first tasks.

Mr. McTigue asked what the Commission's response had been regarding the property on Sunrise Boulevard that the Committee had sent a communication regarding. Mr. Carbon said the Commission's initial response was that they wanted to retain it for use as a train stop for the FEC commuter train, but at their last meeting, they had determined the property was too valuable to use for a train stop and it should be put back on the market.

Mr. Carbon agreed to mail the final version of the feasibility study to Committee members.

Committee members discussed their next meeting date. Chair Page suggested now that work was slowing down the Committee could meet every other month. Members determined their next meeting would be on January 20.

5. Committee Report to the City Commission

None

6. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Next regular meeting: January 20, 2011

Attachments:

Financial Report Minutes – September, 2010 Regular Meeting Fire Station Monthly Reports

[Minutes prepared by J. Opperlee, Prototype, Inc.]