

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 27, 2020

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 via Communication Media Technology (“CMT”) in the form of a conference telephone call. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mitchell Cook at 9:02 AM. Present and answering roll call in addition to Chairman Cook were Linda Cunningham, Susan Matthews, Barbara Neal, and Sandi Williams. Also present were Executive Director Charles Pattison, Senior Property Acquisition Specialist Mark Rosch, Counsel Ginny Stones, and Office Manager Dina Gambuzza. Mr. Rosch asked any other persons on the call to introduce themselves and there was no response.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. There were none.

The next item was approval of the minutes for the April 29, 2020 meeting. Ms. Williams made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ms. Matthews seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval to purchase part of Lot 26 (Lot T), Summerland Estates, Summerland Key for conservation (Harding). Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee. The subject property is a 22,062 square foot lot on Katherine Street on the ocean side of Summerland Key near mile marker 25. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Native Area, and vegetation consisting of tropical hardwood hammock and exotics. The property owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$4,169. Following discussion, Ms. Matthews made a motion to approve the item at the purchase price of \$4,169 and Ms. Williams seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval to purchase Lot 50, Sugarloaf Townsite, Sugarloaf Key; Parcel 40, Hilda Subdivision, Sugarloaf Key; Block 6, Lot 3, Bay Haven Section 2, Key Largo; and Block 4, Lot 1, Ocean Isle Estates, Key Largo for conservation (Peterson). Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee. The subject property consists of four Tier 1 parcels on Sugarloaf Key and Key Largo totaling 1.7 acres. The lot in Sugarloaf Townsite is zoned Suburban Residential and has tropical hardwood hammock and exotic vegetation. The lot in Hilda subdivision is zoned Native Area and has mangrove vegetation. The lot in Bay Haven is zoned Suburban Residential and has hammock, salt marsh, and mangrove vegetation. The lot in Ocean Isle Estates is zoned Suburban Residential and has hammock vegetation. The property owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$18,682. Following discussion, Ms. Neal made a motion to approve the item at the purchase price of \$18,682 and Ms. Williams seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

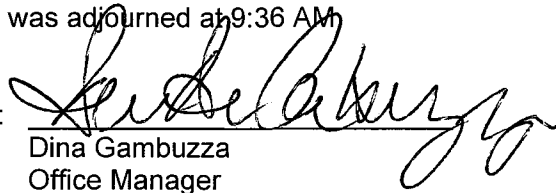
The next item was the Executive Director's report. Mr. Pattison reported on recent events including the following:

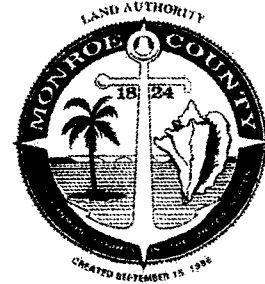
- a) Voluntary Home Buyout Program was approved at the last BOCC meeting. The program is slated to begin in September 2020 and MCLA will be involved in the process.

- b) The Legislature has approved \$100 million of Florida Forever funding for fiscal year 2021 but the Governor has not yet signed the budget bill. Florida Department of Environmental Protection continues to purchase property in the Florida Keys.
- c) The Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement between Monroe County and DEP was approved at the last BOCC meeting.
- d) The BOCC Less Than Fee Program has been suspended until further notice due to the loss of revenue from the COVID-19 shutdown.
- e) Hotels will reopen and the US1 roadblock will be removed beginning June 1.
- f) The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 9:00 AM. Chairman Cook, Ms. Cunningham, Ms. Matthews, Ms. Neal, and Ms. Williams said they would be available to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 AM

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Approved by the Advisory Committee on June 24, 2020