

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 18, 2021

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Thursday, November 18, 2021 in Suite 104 of the Monroe Regional Service Center (State building) located at 2796 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Florida. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Linda Cunningham at 9:00 AM. Present and answering roll call in addition to Chairman Cunningham were Barbara Neal, and Leslie Valant. Sandi Williams was absent and the Upper Keys seat on the Committee was vacant. Also present were Executive Director Christine Hurley, Senior Property Acquisition Specialist Mark Rosch, and Office Manager Dina Gambuzza. Counsel Greg Oropeza participated via Zoom.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. Mr. Rosch advised the Committee that the agenda with the revision date November 17, 2021 reflects the addition of the following item:

- Item 6b – Approval to purchase property for conservation – Little Torch Key Acreage (Parcel ID# 00113630-000300, 00113630-000400, 00113660-000300, and 00113660-000400).

Ms. Neal made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Item 6b and Ms. Valant seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 3/0.

The next item was approval of the minutes for the October 27, 2021 meeting. Ms. Valant made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 3/0.

The next item was approval to accept the donation of Parcel 4, Tract 2, Paradise Point Addition, Key Largo for conservation (Hansen Family Trust). Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee. The subject property consists of a 5,250 square foot lot near Paradise Drive on the bay side of Key Largo near mile marker 105. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Native Area, and vegetation consisting of mangroves. The property owner has agreed to donate this property to the Land Authority. Following discussion, Ms. Neal made a motion to accept the property as a donation and Ms. Valant seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 3/0.

The next item was approval to purchase Lot 33, Perez Subdivision, Sugarloaf Key for conservation (Mongelli). Mr. Rosch and Ms. Hurley addressed the Committee. The subject property consists of a 15,000 square foot lot on Canal Drive on the bay side of Sugarloaf Key near mile marker 19. The property has a tier designation of Tier 3 – Infill Area, a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision, and vegetation consisting of exotics and buttonwood. The property owners have agreed to sell the property for the price of \$50,000. Following discussion, Ms. Valant made a motion to approve the item at the purchase price of \$50,000 and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 3/0.

The next item was approval to purchase Little Torch Key Acreage (Parcel ID# 00113630-000300, 00113630-000400, 00113660-000300, and 00113660-000400) for conservation (Opland). Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee. The subject property consists of four tax parcels totaling 6.27 acres on State Road 4A on the bay side of Little Torch Key near mile

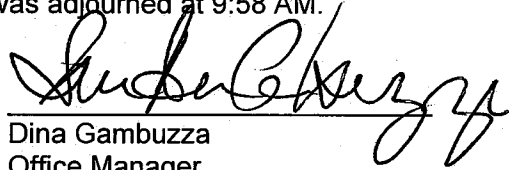
marker 28. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 - Natural Area, a zoning designation of Native Area, and vegetation consisting of buttonwood, saltmarsh, and mangroves. The property owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$28,140. Following discussion, Ms. Neal made a motion to approve the item at the purchase price of \$28,140 and Ms. Valant seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 3/0.

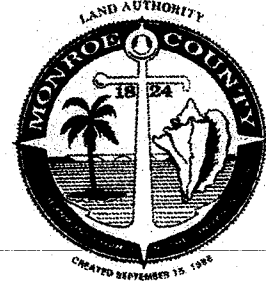
The next item was the Executive Director's report. Ms. Hurley reported on recent events including the following:

- a) Partnership acquisitions with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
- b) MCLA closings since the last meeting.
- c) The next MCLA Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 9:00 AM. Chairman Cunningham and Ms. Valant said they would be available to attend. Ms. Neal has a potential schedule conflict and may not be able to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 AM.

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Approved by the Advisory Committee on December 15, 2021.