



Town of Lake Clarke Shores

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Daniel P. Clark, P.E., Town Manager
Date: April 6, 2023
Subject: Status Report for the April 11, 2023 Town Council Meeting

Proposed Upcoming Town Council Meeting Schedule

April 11th – 6:30 PM Regular Town Council Meeting
May 9th – 6:30 PM Regular Town Council Meeting and CRA Meeting
May 30th – 6:30 PM Regular Town Council Meeting
July 11th – 6:30 PM Budget Workshop, Regular Town Council Meeting and CRA Meeting

Upcoming Town Events

April 8th – Dawn Annual LCS Fishing Tournament
April 15th – 8:00 AM Lake Clean Up
May 12th - 5:30 PM Summer Beach Party Food Truck Event

Lobbying Efforts in Tallahassee

The entire Town Council and the two Town Managers went to Tallahassee March 7th and 8th to lobby for grants, appropriations and general law changes that benefit the Town. We were able to meet with Senator Brodeur's staff (Appropriations Chair), The Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, Adam Blalock FDEP Deputy Director, Senate Appropriations Committee Staff, House Appropriations Committee Staff and many of the Palm Beach County Delegation.

The two Town Managers repeated the Tallahassee visit April 3rd and 4th to follow up on our Legislative Appropriations Requests. It is week five and budgets were being submitted this week. The two houses are \$700M apart. The Senate is responsible for the Budget this year and their budget request is higher, so we hope we can get an appropriation for Septic to Sewer this year.

We wish to thank Richard Pinsky, our Lobbyist, for help with all our appointments in Tallahassee. In particular, Mr. Pinsky has been working with Adam Blalock to close the catch 22 associated with getting grant monies from FDEP. The legislation being proposed by FDEP includes language which will directly help Lake Clarke Shores and our eligibility with FDEP to get grants.

FDOT Grant for the Pine Tree Bridge

We have completed all of the redesign needs and met all criteria to be LAP Certified with FDOT except one. We are working with FDOT and FDEP to acquire a Section 404 USEPA Waters of the State exemption for the "dredge and fill" associated with this bridge construction. Staff is suggesting the Town Council approve the agreement with FDOT as presented at the Town Council Meeting April 11th.

Update: FDEP Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment Grant

Staff is working with FDEP on the agreements. On February 13th, FDEP announced the award of 128 planning grants to develop comprehensive vulnerability assessments (CVA). Lake Clarke Shores will be receiving \$123,500 from FDEP for the development of our CVA. The scope and component pieces of a CVA is tightly defined by FDEP. The resultant study is processed by the Local Mitigation Strategy Group (Palm Beach County Emergency Management) and makes the Town eligible for hurricane mitigation grant funding from the State of Florida.

Update: Maralago Cay Sewer Lining Project LCS-U-2023-01

Work is proceeding with this project. LMK has suggested a modification to the scope of work and staff is evaluating the proposal.

Update: Lake Clarke Shores Pickle Ball Court Project

The contractor is working to obtain construction permits, access permits, and materials. Town staff is working on submitting revised commencement documents to DEP. The low bid is \$13,900 above the budget so staff recommends transferring an additional \$13,900 from the CRA to the General Fund.

FY 2024 Budget Preparation

The July 11, 2023 Budget Workshop will be the first time the FY 2024 Budget is discussed. Staff are preparing the budget now. If you have any specifics you wish to discuss with the Manager prior to budget preparation, please make an appointment with either Joe or me sooner rather than later.