

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December 19, 2012

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, December 19, 2012, 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 Robert Tischenkel at 9:00 AM. Present and answering roll call in addition to Chairman Tischenkel were Susan Matthews, Barbara Neal, Susan Sprunt and David Tuttle. Executive Director Mark Rosch attended via telephone while Counsel Larry Erskine and Office Manager Kimberly Nystrom attended in person.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. There were none. Ms. Matthews made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and Ms. Sprunt seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval of the November 26, 2012 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Sprunt and seconded by Ms. Matthews to approve the minutes as presented. There were no objections and the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval to purchase property for conservation. Staff distributed information to the Committee and Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee regarding the following proposed acquisitions:

- a) Block 11, Lot 1, Largo Beach, Key Largo (Chico). The subject property consists of tropical hardwood hammock vegetation and is 3,776 square feet in size. The lot is designated Tier 1 – Natural Area and is zoned Native Area (NA). The owner has agreed to sell the property for \$6,078.90 (115% of 1986 assessed value). Ms. Sprunt made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$6,078.90 price and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.
- b) Block 23, Lot 19, Palm Villa, Big Pine Key (A. Polo/Blanco). The subject property consists of 6,250 square feet of pineland habitat transitioning to tropical hardwood hammock. The property is designated Tier 1 – Natural Area and is zoned Improved Subdivision (IS). The owners have agreed to sell for a price of \$16,000. A motion was made by Mr. Tuttle and seconded by Ms. Matthews to approve purchasing the property for the price of \$16,000. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.
- c) Block 23, Lot 20, Palm Villa, Big Pine Key (D. Polo/Blanco). The subject property consists of 6,250 square feet of pineland habitat transitioning to tropical hardwood hammock. The property is designated Tier 1 – Natural Area and is zoned Improved Subdivision (IS). The owners have agreed to sell for a price of \$16,000. A motion was made by Ms. Matthews and seconded by Ms. Sprunt to approve purchasing the property for the price of \$16,000. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.
- d) Block 10, Lot 6, Eden Pines Colony First Addition, Big Pine Key (Nickel). The subject property consists of a canal lot containing buttonwood and tropical hardwood hammock vegetation and is 8,430 square feet in size. The lot is designated Tier 2 – Transition and Sprawl Area and is zoned Improved Subdivision (IS). The owner has agreed to sell the property for a price of \$25,000. Mr. Rosch discussed a recent sale in the neighborhood. Ms. Matthews made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$25,000 purchase price and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

- e) Block 5, Lot 10, Ramrod Shores Marina Section, Ramrod Key (Haney). The subject property has been in the ROGO process awaiting a building permit. The owners recently applied for ROGO Administrative Relief and the County Commission determined the appropriate form of relief should be a purchase offer. Staff obtained an appraisal of the site indicating a value of \$30,000. As anticipated by the appraiser, the property's high ROGO ranking was sufficient to receive a ROGO allocation shortly after the appraisal was complete. The owners no longer wish to build and have accepted the \$30,000 purchase offer. A motion was made by Mr. Tuttle and seconded by Ms. Neal to approve purchasing the property for the price of \$30,000. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

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

- a) Recent acquisitions: MCLA closed five transactions involving the purchase of five conservation parcels since last meeting. The property purchases consist of one parcel on Key Largo in Twin Lakes Subdivision and four parcels on Big Pine Key in Eden Pines Colony Subdivision.
- b) At the Governing Board's last meeting, the Board selected Heather Carruthers as Chairman and Danny Kolhage as Vice Chairman.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at 9:00 AM at the Monroe Regional Service Center (State building) in Suite 104 located at 2796 Overseas Highway. All of the Committee members said they would be able to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 AM.

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Approved by the Advisory Committee on January 30, 2013