

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 2, 2016

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 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 Susan Matthews at 9:00 AM. Present and answering roll call in addition to Chairman Matthews were Mitchell Cook, Teri Johnston, and Barbara Neal. Susan Sprunt was absent. Also present were Executive Director Mark Rosch, Office Manager Dina Gambuzza, and Counsel Ginny Stones.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee and proposed adding the following conservation purchase: The east 50 feet of Lot 3, Block 6, Cutthroat Harbor Estates. Ms. Johnston made a motion to approve the agenda with the proposed addition and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.

The next item was approval of the minutes for the January 21, 2016 meeting. Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ms. Johnston seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.

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

- a) Block 3, Lot 5, Eden Pines Colony First Addition on Big Pine Key. The subject property is a 6,000 square foot canal lot. The property has a tier designation of Tier 2 – Transition and Sprawl Area, a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision (IS), and vegetation consisting of exotics. The owners have agreed to sell the property for the price of \$30,000. Mr. Cook made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$30,000 price and Ms. Johnston seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.
- b) Block 5, Lot 18, Ramrod Shores Marina Section on Ramrod Key. The subject property is a 7,200 square foot lot. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision (IS), and vegetation consisting of a mix of exotics and tropical hardwood hammock. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$20,000. Ms. Johnston made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$20,000 price and Mr. Cook seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.
- c) Block 7, Lot 5, Ramrod Shores Marina Section on Ramrod Key. The subject property is an 8,400 square foot lot. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision (IS), and vegetation consisting of a mix of tropical hardwood hammock and exotics. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$20,000. Mr. Cook made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$20,000 price and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.
- d) The east 50 feet of Lot 3, Block 6, Cutthroat Harbor Estates on Cudjoe Key. The subject property is a 6,250 square foot lot. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Native Area (NA), and vegetation consisting of tropical hardwood hammock. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$7,008. Ms. Neal made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$7,008 price and Ms. Johnston seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.

The next item on the agenda was approval of a resolution authorizing the purchase of Block 16, Lot 9, Coco Plum Beach for conservation and authorizing subsequent conveyance of the property to the City of Marathon subject to a conservation easement. Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee regarding the acquisition and the conservation easement language. The owners have agreed to sell the property for the price of \$17,144. Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the resolution and Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute purchase agreements on behalf of the Land Authority. Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee. The proposed resolution will not change MCLA's existing procedures but in anticipation of Charles Pattison assuming the position of Executive Director, the resolution ties the authorization to the position of Executive Director rather than to Mr. Rosch individually. Mr. Cook made a made to approve the resolution and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 4/0.

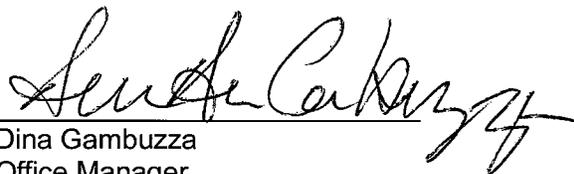
The next item was the review of the draft 2016 Acquisition List. Mr. Rosch addressed the Committee regarding conservation and affordable housing acquisition issues. After discussion with the Committee, Mr. Rosch proposed changing the wording of the last Property category in column one from "Property Within Habitat Patches of 4 or More Acres" to "Property Within Undeveloped Areas of 4 or More Acres". This being a discussion item, the Committee took no action.

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

- a) The Land Authority closed three transactions since the last Advisory Committee meeting.
- b) Charles Pattison has executed his employment agreement and will start work as Executive Director on April 4, 2016.
- c) The Florida Keys Stewardship Act is progressing through the legislative process and we should know by the end of March if it will be approved.
- d) The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 9:00 AM at the Monroe Regional Service Center (State building) in Suite 104 located at 2796 Overseas Highway. Mr. Cook, Ms. Johnston, and Chairman Matthews said they would be available to attend. Ms. Neal's attendance is tentative.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.

Prepared by:


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Approved by the Advisory Committee on April 27, 2016.