

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 27, 2019

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 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, Linda Cunningham, Barbara Neal, and Sandi Williams. Also present were Executive Director Charles Pattison, Senior Property Acquisition Specialist Mark Rosch, Office Manager Dina Gambuzza, and Counsel Ginny Stones.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. Mr. Pattison proposed adding the following item to the agenda as a purchase for conservation:

- Approval of a contract to purchase Block 34, Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Sands, Big Pine Key Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the agenda with the proposed addition and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was Selection of a Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2019. Ms. Cunningham nominated Mr. Cook to serve as Chairman and Ms. Neal nominated Ms. Cunningham to serve as Vice Chairman. There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. Cook was selected as Chairman and Ms. Cunningham was selected as Vice Chairman.

The next item was approval of the minutes for the January 29, 2019 meeting. Ms. Matthews made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ms. Cunningham seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

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

- a) Block 17, Lot 2, Largo Gardens, Key Largo (Capobianco). The subject property consists of a 6,000 square foot lot on Rose Place on the ocean side of Key Largo near mile marker 102. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Urban Residential Mobile Home, and vegetation consisting of tropical hardwood hammock. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$25,000. Ms. Cunningham made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$25,000 price and Ms. Williams seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.
- b) Block 34, Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, Sands, Big Pine Key (Cunningham). The subject property consists of four contiguous lots totaling 20,000 square feet on Avenue F on the bay side of Big Pine Key near mile marker 31. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision, and disturbed buttonwood vegetation. The owners have agreed to sell the property for the price of \$90,000. Ms. Matthews made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$90,000 price and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was discussion of the 2019 Draft Acquisition List. Mr. Pattison, Mr. Rosch, and Counsel Stones addressed the Committee regarding the status of affordable housing properties

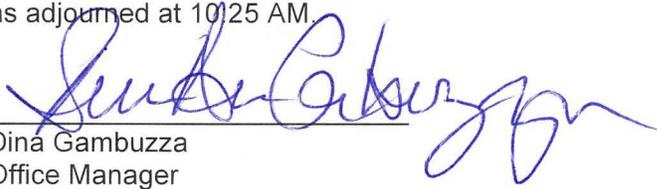
that were on the 2018 Acquisition List and the City of Key West's plans to build affordable housing on the Easter Seals property in Key West. This being a discussion item, the Committee took no action.

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

- a) The status of MCLA's budget and available funds for 2019.
- b) The status of grants and other funding for construction on affordable housing sites.
- c) The BOCC's recent meeting regarding possibly extending ROGO to 2026.
- d) The BOCC's recent decision against adopting Goal 109 pertaining to affordable housing incentives.
- e) House Bill 1019 proposes to require the State to cost-share 50/50 with the County on takings claims.
- f) Closings by the State, BOCC, and MCLA since last meeting.
- g) The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 9:00 AM. Chairman Cook, Ms. Cunningham, Ms. Matthews, Ms. Neal, and Ms. Williams said they would be available to attend. Counsel Stones said she will not be available to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

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Approved by the Advisory Committee on March 27, 2019