

MONROE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND AUTHORITY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 28, 2018

The Monroe County Comprehensive Plan Land Authority (MCLA) Advisory Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 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 Susan Sprunt. Also present were Executive Director Charles Pattison, Senior Property Acquisition Specialist Mark Rosch, Office Manager Dina Gambuzza, Counsel Ginny Stones, and a member of the public.

The first item was additions and deletions to the agenda. Mr. Pattison addressed the Committee and proposed adding the following items:

- a) Approval to purchase property for conservation - Block 3, Lots 7 through 18, Tropical Park, Big Pine Key; and
- b) Approval to purchase property for conservation - Block 17, Lot 6, Center Island, Duck Key.

Ms. Sprunt made a motion to approve the agenda with the proposed additions and Ms. Cunningham seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval of the revised minutes for the December 20, 2017 meeting. The proposed revision was to add the following sentence to the fourth paragraph of the previously approved minutes: "Ms. Neal seconded the motion." Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the revised minutes as presented and Ms. Sprunt seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

The next item was approval of the minutes for the January 31, 2018 meeting. Ms. Neal made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Ms. Sprunt 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 3, Lots 7 through 18, Tropical Park, Big Pine Key (Bush Construction Corporation). The subject property consists of 12 lots totaling 1.38 acres on the ocean side of Big Pine Key near mile marker 30. The property has a tier designation of Tier 1 – Natural Area, a zoning designation of Native Area, and vegetation consisting of tropical hardwood hammock and buttonwood. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$690. Ms. Sprunt made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$690 price and Ms. Neal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.
- b) Block 17, Lot 6, Center Island, Duck Key (Bizilj). The subject property consists of a 7,500 square foot lot on San Remo Street on Duck Key near mile marker 61. The property has a tier designation of Tier 3 – Infill Area and a zoning designation of Improved Subdivision – Masonry. The property's exotic vegetation was recently removed. The owner has agreed to sell the property for the price of \$48,750. Ms. Cunningham made a motion to approve purchasing the property for the \$48,750 price and Mr. Cook seconded the motion. There being no objections, the motion carried 5/0.

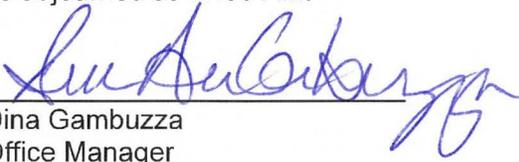
The next item was discussion of the 2018 Acquisition List. Mr. Pattison, Mr. Rosch, and Counsel Stones addressed the Committee regarding affordable housing issues and changes to the Land Development Regulations. Jewel King addressed the Committee regarding Block 14, Lot 4, Cutthroat Harbor Estates First Addition on Cudjoe Key. 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 Senate Bill 1622 amending the Land Authority section of Chapter 380, Florida Statutes.
- b) The Governing Board's approval to provide funding toward the Village of Islamorada's purchase of the Janis property for affordable housing.
- c) Hurricane Irma's impact on the Land Authority's revenues and lodging properties that are closed.
- d) The passing of Mark Moss, the former Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Florida Keys.
- e) Potential affordable housing sites on Stock Island and Big Coppitt Key.
- f) The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2018. Mr. Cook, Ms. Cunningham, Ms. Neal, Ms. Sprunt, and Chairman Matthews said they would be available to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 AM.

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Approved by the Advisory Committee on March 28, 2018

