

## TOWN COUNCIL PIER WORKSHOP AGENDA Thursday, September 3, 2020, • 2:00 pm

**1. CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Hellyer called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Mayor Hellyer, Mayor Pro Tempore Scoles, Councilmembers Dietrich, Drake, Holder, Pellegrino, and Keating were in attendance. Others present Interim Administrator Duckett, Director King, and Town Clerk Sheri Medina.

## 2. BUSINESS -

## Surfside Beach Pier Restoration

Mayor Hellyer stated the first to be discussed would be the financial report for the pier from Director King.

Director King gave the finance report. With the report given, it has shown that there will be enough funds to build the pier. In actuality, there will be an excess of approximately \$339,000.000. There are funds coming from the settlement with Horry County and Myrtle Beach, but at this time, I am not sure the exact amount.

Mayor Hellyer asked if there was any update about the bond. Director King stated that typically after the bid is awarded is when the bank will start to process the bond. Mayor Hellyer also asked the status of the FEMA extension. Mr. Duckett stated there had been no update since the email received last week that stated it should be sent to the state this week.

Councilmember Keating suggested a full-time project manager. It's something that we will need to decide who will perform the responsibility of being a project manager for the town. It may be in our best interests for a project of this magnitude, especially since we're going to have an ongoing interest in cost-cutting, improvements, potential delays, or changes as we go along.

I've built into my numbers the possibility of \$150,000 between a full-time project manager and the support of the architects and engineers. So, that's only about 40 or \$50,000 more. That is more than enough to cover those issues.

Mayor Hellyer asked if there has been any consideration to a project manager for the Pier reconstruction. Mr. Duckett stated it had been lightly discussed with some Councilmembers. That would be a Council decision. As an administrator, he feels he is not qualified to oversee this project. Mayor Hellyer asked if that has to be addressed at this time. Mr. Duckett stated it could be done at a later time.

Mayor Hellyer stated at this time, the bid proposal will be discussed. He also explained that there are portions of the bids that cannot be disclosed due to being confidential.

Councilmember Keating asked the Architect for a summary and or recommendation. Mr. Roehm stated we went over the A305 contractor qualification statements, called references, and also looked over work experience. Consensus has built projects of this type when we're just talking about buildings, so, and so has FBI. So, as far as qualifications, as far as buildings, I don't doubt that either one of them could perform the project at hand.

Mayor Hellyer stated at the last bid award that the lowest bidder had to be awarded the contract because there were FEMA grants involved. Has anything changed since the last time Mr. Roehm stated that any federal guidelines typically with federal monies, the lowest bidder is what is typically taken. I don't have anything regarding that. That might be something to follow up with Haggerty on since they're more in tune with where that money's coming from, FEMA, and any regulations that would be imposed.

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Mr. Sigman, Engineer, stated between Orion and between inter-coastal Marine, who are the two Marine Primes, The Orion package included several projects of similar magnitude. I did not see that from the Intercostal projects in general, anything of this magnitude. I want additional information from them so that I can discuss with them their methodology. But, I can't recommend it without having a little more of a discussion with them.

Mayor Hellyer asked how long to receive the additional information. Mr. Simon stated he would reach out to them right after this meeting, so hopefully by tomorrow.

Councilmember Drake referenced emails received stating information could not be shared with the public. Mr. Roehm stated, the bidding documents specifically say that all that information is confidential because included are private contracts with values that are not public knowledge, and that information could be detrimental to contractors if others find out. There are reasons why that information is not public. So the specifics of any of that can't be mentioned.

Mayor Hellyer asked Mr. Duckett if there has been any update on the status of the FEMA extension. Mr. Duckett stated the last update was that the information was being sent to the state for consideration.

Mayor Hellyer asked Councilmember Keating if she would like to present her PowerPoint on the Pier Project. Councilmember Keating stated that if the Council would like her to proceed, she would. A consensus of the Council was that they would await the additional information form the Engineer.

Councilmember Pellegrino asked that the Engineer and Architect make a recommendation before voting on Tuesday to award the bid. Mr. Sigman stated that the bid needs to be awarded to the lowest bidder, and that is the recommendation that will be given.

Councilmember Keating stated I want to personally thank Mr. Duckett for answering all my questions on some of these cost items, quantifying the value, and how it's going to be addressed, who performs the work, and what are the steps. So I want to thank you for doing that. And also to Director King for giving an understanding of where all our funds are coming from, where all our finances are coming from. So I appreciate the work. Thanks.

Councilmember Pellegrino stated I think that we need to get the additional information from the Engineer.

Mayor Hellyer stated that a lot had been accomplished. Through Mr. Duckett and Director King, there will be enough funds to build the pier, including the additional costs.

Councilmember Keating stated team of Consensus, Coastal Marine, is qualified to build the pier. Photos and project descriptions where they've done concrete and steel structures. They have done just as many as Orion. My personal opinion is that Cape Romain has a lot more experience in exactly what we're doing, but more expensive. Through various investigations showed that Coastal Marine is very well experienced.

3. **ADJOURNMENT.** Councilmember Keating made a motion to adjourn at 2:32 pm. Councilmember Pellegrino second. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

## Surfside Beach Town Council

Robert Hellyer, Mayor

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