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TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021, BEGINS AT 3:00 P.M. INDIAN SHORES MUNICIPAL, CENTER 4TH FLOOR

The workshop convened at 3:00 p.m.

Those present: Mayor Patrick C. Soranno, Vice Mayor Mike Hackerson, Councilor Mike Petruccelli, Councilor Diantha Schear, Councilor Bill Smith, and Town Attorney Regina Kardash.

Also present: Town Administrator Bonnie Dhonau, Town Clerk Freddie Lozano, Town Engineer Larry Fluty, Sarah Lynn Westmoreland Mullins, LLC, Artist Steve Graff, Fire Commissioner Larry Schear, and ISPOA President Art Newsome.

Those absent: None

ITEM # AGENDA ITEM

1.0 Consideration of approving the Town Council Workshop Agenda for June 8, 2021.

Motion by Vice Mayor Hackerson – seconded by **Councilor Petruccelli** to approve the Workshop agenda for June 8, 2021, as amended.

Motion carried 5-0.

2.0 Comments from the public on any agenda item. None

Patrick C. Soranno
Mayor

Mike Hackerson
Vice Mayor

Diantha Schear
Councilor

Michael (Mike) Petruccelli
Councilor

William F. (Bill) Smith
Councilor

Bonnie Dhonau
Town Administrator

Richard (Rick) Swann
Town Clerk

Susan L. Scrogam
Director of Finance
and Personnel

Freddie G. Lozano
Town Clerk

Regina Kardash, Esq.
Town Attorney

3.0 Discussion on monument project redesign for rebid.

Mr. Fluty presented the three options along with costs that he and the team have come up with for a completed and scaled down project that is within budget.

Option 1: Original design with an obelisk to replace the statue and a reduction in landscaping and a limited number of pavers for the hardscaping.

Option 2: Same concept as Option 1 but without the pavers and to find alternatives for a more simplified statue and an arch with laser etching or wrapped.

Option 3: Mostly consisting of a sidewalk with minimal landscaping of mostly sod and irrigation with shell in the center along with an obelisk and arch.

After design fees, attorneys' fees, and administrative costs, the total Penny III and IV monies currently available for this project are \$702,552.

Ms. Dhonau added that this would mean the bus stops and sign projects would be eliminated and that the entire Penny IV monies of \$500,000 will be for the monument.

She and Mr. Fluty touched on the increased cost of building materials due to the pandemic and that the increase should be taken into consideration when deciding on which option to move forward with.

A discussion on the arch's finish ensued on the life expectancy, cost, and maintenance and repair of a wrap vs. laser etching. These finishes will be included as bid alternatives in the invitation to negotiate and samples will be brought to help the Council decide which finish to select. Also discussed was adding options to the bid package for a family or a singular figure for the statue.

Ms. Dhonau mentioned that the project would be bid out with a guaranteed maximum price. The builder will be responsible for costs incurred over the maximum guaranteed price.

She also added that Artist Gaspar's recommendation to Danny Powell to cut cost was to place the statue on a 2-foot step-up rather than the originally proposed taller foundation.

Mr. Fluty and the team's recommendation is Option 2 as it allows for more flexibility on the project's elements to keep it within budget.

Council reached a consensus to select Option 2 for the invitation to negotiate package.

The timetable for the revised bid package is as follows:

- Revised bid documents will be ready before advertising the re-bid.
- The invitation to negotiate will be advertised in the paper on Wednesday, June 16, 2021.
- Proposals to be received and opened on Friday, July 16.
- Special Council meeting on July 20 to select the contractor to begin negotiations with.

4.0 Citizen's comments on any subject. None.

5.0 Council members' comments on any subject.

Councilor Petruccelli supports the proposed project redesign.

Councilor Smith mentioned that the deadline to expend the Penny III money is getting closer.

There was a brief discussion on the name of the project which was thought to have been approved at a previous meeting as "The James J. Lawrence Memorial". Research will be conducted by reviewing past meeting minutes to determine if the name was formally voted on.

6.0 Workshop adjournment.

3:38 p.m.



Freddie Lozano
Town Clerk