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At the July 11, 2023, Board of County Commissioners meeting, the board took the following action on the regular agenda:

Administration – received and filed the updated Board Directive Reports, which include in-process and completed board directive items.

Airports – approved an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. of \$2,255,641.56 for the continued performance of professional services related to construction phase services for the Central Airfield Improvements project at Palm Beach International Airport (PBI).

Approved an amendment to the Construction Manager (CM) at Risk Contract with The Morganti Group Inc. (MGI) of \$2,277,200 for Palm Beach County Airports Department improvements and 270 calendar days for landside security improvements at PBI.

Approved an amendment to the CM at Risk Contract with MGI of \$1,113,000 for Airports Department improvements and 182 calendar days for Domestic Water Valve Replacement Phase 2 at PBI.

Approved a General Consultant Agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc. of \$2,126,629.78 for two years with three one-year renewal options for the performance of general engineering consultant services for tasks related to the Palm Beach County Airports' Capital Improvement program.

Approved Airport Parking Facilities Management Agreement with SP Plus Corporation for the operation and management of the airport parking facilities and shuttle services at PBI, starting Oct. 1, 2023, and ending Sept. 30, 2028, with one two-year renewal option, for payment of an annual management fee to SP+ in the initial amount of \$261,000 for the first contract year, and increasing by 3% annually.

CareerSource Palm Beach County – adopted a resolution approving the CareerSource Palm Beach County Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget in the amount of \$14,329,014 for its programs.

Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller – approved a \$150,000 budget transfer from General Fund Contingency Reserves to supplement the 2023 Value Adjustment Board Budget.

County Attorney – approved the payment of a final judgment resulting from a jury verdict rendered, of \$604,959.47, in the case of Golden City Highland Beach LLC v. Palm Beach County.

Engineering & Public Works – approved a preliminary reading and advertisement for a public hearing on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., regarding an ordinance amending the Five Year Road program.

Environmental Resources Management – approved an updated management plan for Juno Dunes Natural Area.

Facilities Development & Operations – approved an amendment to the lease agreement with the Florida Division of Blind Services for operating the café in the Palm Beach County Judicial Center. The Division experienced extended economic hardships due to COVID-19 restrictions. This amendment waives rent from July 17, 2020, through April 30, 2021, adjusts the rental rate to 50% for May 2021 through December 2021 and to 60% for January 2022 through October 2022 based on the percentage of annual visitors to the Judicial Center as compared to 2019, and adjusts rental payments to 3.5% of monthly gross sales instead of a guaranteed yearly rent effective June 1, 2023.

Approved, by a vote of 6-1, the addition of four security officer positions to the Facilities Development and Operations Electronic Services and Security Division.

Approved Antenna Site Agreements with SBA Towers VI LLC, SPA Properties LLC and SBA Steel II, LLC for tower antenna space and 16 square feet of ground space for the placement of base station equipment starting July 11, 2023, through July 10, 2026.

Approved the purchase and sale of vacant land located north of Indiantown Road and east of Bee Line Highway from Lisa L. Browne f/k/a Lisa L. Brandt. These are interior parcels located in an area known as Palm Beach Heights (part of the Pal-Mar Ecosite). The Pal-Mar Ecosite is part of a large ecological greenway stretching from just west of the Atlantic Ocean to the east of Lake Okeechobee.

Approved a CM at Risk Services contract with Verdex Construction LLC for the Vista Center Expansion project and a \$135,000 task order with Verdex Construction LLC for preconstruction services.

Approved a \$239,619 Consultant Services Authorization to the contract with Netta Architects LLC for the Building Condition Assessment, life cycle cost analysis and programming for the Governmental Center Renewal/Replacement project.

Financial Management & Budget – authorized staff to submit a proposed not-to-exceed millage rate of 4.5 Countywide Non-Voted and maintain the proposed millage rates for Library and Fire Rescue for the FY 2024 budget to the Property Appraiser; and authorized public hearings on Thursday, Sept. 7 and Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 5:05 p.m., in the 6th floor commission chambers of the Robert Weisman Governmental Center.

Postponed, by a vote of 6-0, pending further staff review a negotiated settlement offer of \$160,000 for the full satisfaction of two code enforcement liens entered against Top Cut Lawn Services North LLC on July 10, 2019.

Housing & Economic Development – approved amendments to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreements to participate in the Urban County program related to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding with 28 municipalities, two Interlocal Cooperation Agreements with the Town of Highland Beach, the City of Westlake and the Town of Ocean Ridge. The City of Pahokee elected to opt-out of HUD's Urban County program for Palm Beach County.

Approved the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program, in the amount of \$12,463,331 for affordable housing strategies.

Adopted a resolution approving the Palm Beach County Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Information Systems Services – received and filed a presentation on the Connect PBC application.

Library – approved the material terms and conditions for the establishment and operation of a new branch of the Palm Beach County Library System in the Town of Hypoluxo to support the ongoing coverage and operations of library services within the Library Taxing District; and authorized staff to negotiate the acquiring a parcel of land from the town, located at 7200 S Federal Highway.

Palm Tran – authorized the execution and submittal of a grant application and agreement with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged for \$3,136,928, requiring a local match of \$348,547, for the Trip and Equipment Grant Program to provide Palm Tran Connection service trips and discounted daily and monthly fixed route bus passes, anticipated to start July 1, 2023, and end June 30, 2024.

Resilience – authorized the county administrator or designee to contract with an approved consultant in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, to prepare flood modeling and technical assessment reports for five capital construction projects and pursue grant funding from the Resilient Florida Capital Grant Program.

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