

**City of Fort Lauderdale
 Infrastructure Task Force Committee
 June 3, 2019
 2:00pm to 5:00pm
 Fort Lauderdale City Hall
 100 N. Andrews Avenue
 8th Floor Conference Room
 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

MEMBERS		PRESENT	ABSENT
Marilyn Mammano	P	25	1
Ralph Zeltman	P	25	1
Peter Partington	A	5	1
Roosevelt Walters	P	24	2
Fred Stresau	P	21	5
Norm Ostrau	P	23	1
David Orshefsky	P	22	1
Jacquelyn Scott	P	10	1
Gerald Angeli	P	2	0

Staff Present

Joe Kenney, Assistant Public Works Director-Engineering
 Lorraine Tappan, Principal Urban Design Planner, Dept. of Sustainable Development
 Meredith Shuster, Senior Administrative Assistant

Roll was called at 2:01 p.m. and a quorum was established.

1. Call to Order:

- Roll Call

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the June 3, 2019 Agenda with corrections made by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Zeltman

Gridics, Inc. presentation on Zonar Technology is deferred to the July meeting due to the Consultant's schedule conflict.

Motion to approve the agenda approved unanimously by voice vote

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the May 6, 2019 Minutes with or without corrections made by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. Angeli.

Motion to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes approved unanimously by voice vote.

4. General Discussion and Comments by Committee Members

Joe Kenney described the City Commission item on the June 4th meeting agenda concerning proprietary costs as a budgeted, operational expense and maintenance in nature.

Mr. Kenney verified that the Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) treatment process pilot program at Fiveash was underway. Results of the pilot project are anticipated to be given to the Commission in August, 2019.

The Fiveash Reliability Project is out to bid now. The bid opening is June 7th. The funding is in place.

Discussion was held about factual issues being raised by the public. If it can be answered by staff or via a public record request it was agreed the Committee would not spend time addressing the concern. It was the consensus that some latitude should be allowed for the public to address the Committee with its concerns because it is a public meeting.

In response to Mr. Orshefsky's inquiry, Mr. Kenney explained that the draft of the Consolidated Annual Financial Report (CAFR) compiled each April has been completed but it is not yet published.

Mr. Kenney reviewed the five criteria to determine the issuance of water/sewer rebates. The April 2019 CAFR indicates the criterion was not met.

Mr. Orshefsky asked how the current criteria was determined and questioned if with the issuance of the \$200 Million bond series and the discontinuation of the ROI should be considered by Finance in re-determining the five criteria currently written in the Code of Ordinances; specifically the \$10 Million unrestricted capital reserves. He would like the Finance Department to respond.

Mr. Kenney answered Mr. Walters' question that the capital reserve of approximately \$70 Million will be used for planned capital projects.

Mr. Orshefsky requested a table of where this reserve money was spent in FY 2018 and FY 2019.

Ms. Mammano asked that the review of the rates and charges and the criterion for issuing rebates per Sec. 28-76 of the Code of Ordinances be added to the July 18th agenda. An ordinance to amend the section due to the Stantec rate restructuring is currently underway.

Mr. Kenney will inquire with the people involved in revising the ordinance if the criteria for rebates is being adjusted and will bring this information back to the Committee. At this time, it was unknown when the ordinance might be presented to the Commission.

Mr. Orshefsky stated the new rate structure will not be in effect before next fiscal year.

Mr. Stresau corrected his written material to indicate that the Commission did vote and approve the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Mr. Zeltman asked about the timeframe of the Police HQ. Mr. Kenney was aware that both the Police HQ and the Parks and Recreation Department were proceeding with planning now that the funding was secured.

Mr. Orshefsky commented that space/needs analysis was being updated now that funding was available.

Mr. Kenney informed the Committee that the City Manager posted the preliminary budget on May 31st and he would see what it includes as far as the Police HQ and the Parks and Recreation bonds. (See [FY 2020 Preliminary Budget](#) Bond information begins on page xxi and referenced throughout the document.)

Ms. Mammano informed the Committee the Commission addressed its recommendation to support the proposed new water/sewer rate structure and she was asked if there was more discussion as to the amount of the rate everyone should pay. She responded that the Committee had not gone that far as to recommend amounts.

Ms. Mammano asked the board members if they wanted to go deeper into the details of determining what the rate amount should be. In discussion, it was determined not to get more detailed.

Ms. Mammano reported on the presentation of the penny sales tax by Broward County to the Commission. She remarked that when the Committee began there were “holes” to be filled for a new police headquarters, parks and roads. The bonds filled the holes for the police headquarters and parks, and the penny sales tax provides funding for roads.

Mr. Orshefsky expressed that much of the money will be spent on bus service on a county wide basis. There are restrictions as to how the money can be used.

Ms. Mammano asked if the Committee wants to entertain getting involved in the discussion on priorities and the allocation of these funds for City needs, as well as how the City should prioritize this new source of revenue.

Mr. Angeli asked about the overall view of planning as opposed to the piece by piece approach he is observing. He suggested addressing how the projects integrate with one another.

Mr. Walters commented that because there was no timeframe and the overlapping of City, County and State plans it would be difficult for the Committee to offer substantial recommendations.

Mr. Orshefsky agreed there are multiple jurisdictions and the decision making matrix to determine how the money will be allocated has not been established as of this date.

Mr. Kenney suggested that the Broward County’s presentation to the City Commission at the May 21st meeting be forwarded to the members and discussion be held at the July meeting. Not all infrastructure needs of the City will be addressed by this added revenue.

Ms. Mammano expressed that the Committee has not been able to address roads, sidewalks and the like due to lack of funding. She asked if city projects being funded by the penny sales tax could free funds for infrastructure projects not covered by an enterprise fund or included in the penny sales tax monies.

It was also agreed that readdressing the recommendation of allocating 7% - 10% percent of general funds towards infrastructure not supported by an enterprise fund should be brought back to the Commission.

5. New Business

- A. Zonar Technology – Gridics, Inc. – deferred to the July agenda
- B. Recommendation to the City Commission regarding the Infrastructure Elements of the Comprehensive Plan

Lorraine Tappan informed the Committee that there is a special meeting with the Planning and Zoning Board (P & Z) on June 26th followed by a recommendation to the Commission at its July 9th meeting.

There was discussion if the Committee wanted to pass comments to the P & Z and/or to the Commission as a Committee. Further discussion included the P & Z representative giving a report at its meeting or the members could make suggestions as individuals. Four of the eight members present did not want to give recommendations as a Board. It was decided to ask the Commission.

Member Jacquelyn Scott made the motion, seconded by member Fred Stresau to request:

Does the City Commission desire the Infrastructure Task Force to review and contribute comments on the Comprehensive Plan to the Planning and Zoning Board and the City Commission?

In a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Tappan stated that the draft element of the Future Land Use is anticipated to be up on the website by the end of this week.

It was decided to address Mr. Partington's issues on the Transportation Element at the next meeting when it is anticipated that Mr. Partington will be in attendance.

The Committee proceeded to review the Parks and Recreation Element. A robust discussion and exchange of ideas ensued. (1:22:41 on video) In summary:

Mr. Stresau expressed comments pertaining to the purchasing of additional park land. Discussion ensued on the funding. Suggestions included allocating a certain percentage of the park impact fees towards the acquisition of additional park land. It was also noted that funding for acquiring property was included in the parks bond.

There was discussion on what constitutes the acreage used in the Level of Service (LOS) 5 acres per 1,000 residents. Ms. Tappan suggested that she can bring the definition of open space back to the Parks and Recreation Department for a more specific definition. She also responded, once the Comprehensive Plan is adopted, then the ULDR would be updated accordingly.

The draft Element of the Comprehensive Plan on Parks and Recreation is based on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. There was some disagreement on whether the Comprehensive Plan should only include those elements that have full funding identified or if it should represent the ideal of where the City visualizes it wants to go even if the funding is not readily known.

Further discussion was had on whether 5 acres per 1,000 residents was adequate. Consensus was that the amount of acreage per 1,000 residents should not be less than 5.

6. Old Business - None

7. Informational Items

- A. Criteria for Rebate on Water and Sewer Rates
 - i. WASTEWATER Sec. 28-76 Rates and Charges (b)(1) * Note

8. Public Comments- none

**9. Adjournment –The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.
Next Regular Meeting July 18, 2019**



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 18-014

Date: February 14, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor & Commissioners

From: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

Re: Park Impact Fees

FOR

The City of Fort Lauderdale Park Impact Fee was implemented to offset the increase in demand for park and recreational facilities created by growth and development activity throughout the City. In accordance with Section 47-38A.6, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the Park Impact Fee receipts are specifically earmarked, retained in a special interest bearing account, and used solely for eligible park system improvements. Examples of park system improvements include the acquisition of park land, the development of new parks, installation of new equipment, additional landscaping or new paved trails in existing parks.

Park Impact Fees collected for FY 2018 were \$4,758,350. The available balance of the Park Impact Fund is \$5,732,750.56. Interest earned for all years is \$260,675. The following projects were funded using Park Impact Fees for a total of \$8,694,566.

• South Side School Purchase & Restoration	\$ 809,685
• Tarpon Bend Park	350,375
• Riverland Park Pavilion (Shade Structure)	62,775
• Riverwalk Extension	300,000
• Las Olas Tunnel Top Park	566,070
• Warfield Park Lights	302,500
• Soccer Complex (Mills Pond)	4,485,585
• Riomar Park (Beach Improvements)	70,000
• Park Master Plan	497,576
• Snyder Park Bike Trails	50,000
• Riverland Park (Black Property)	<u>1,200,000</u>
	\$8,694,566

- c: Stanley D. Hawthorne, Assistant City Manager
 Christopher J. Lagerbloom, Assistant City Manager
 Cynthia A. Everett, City Attorney
 Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Clerk
 John C. Herbst, City Auditor
 Department Directors
 CMO Managers



PARK IMPACT FEES - LAND ACQUISITION

PROJECT#: FY 20190784

Project Mgr: Phil Thornburg **Department:** Parks and Recreation **Address:** Various Locations
Fund: 350 Park Impact Fee **City:** Fort Lauderdale
District: I II III IV **State:** FL
Zip:

Description: Program to provide funds for acquisition of property to construct new Parks within the City of Fort Lauderdale. Funds transferred on an as-needed basis when projects are identified and project numbers are assigned.

Justification: Provide funds for acquisition of property within the City for future development options to enhance our open spaces for our neighbors.

Source Of the Justification: Parks & Rec Long Range Strategic Plan (7/1/08, CAR08-0707, Item 1A) **Project Type:** Parks

Project Funding Summary:

SOURCE	USAGE	AVAILABLE \$	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	BEYOND 5-YEAR HORIZON	TOTAL FUNDING
<i>Park Impact Fee LAND ACQUISITION</i>									
350	6504						\$6,849,181		\$6,849,181
Total Fund 350:							\$6,849,181		\$6,849,181
GRAND TOTAL:							\$6,849,181		\$6,849,181

Comments:

Impact On Operating Budget:

IMPACT	AVAILABLE \$	BEYOND 5-YEAR HORIZON	TOTAL FUNDING
			\$0
TOTAL			\$0

Comments:

Cost Estimate Justification:

Strategic Connections:

Cylinder: Public Places

Strategic Goals: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas and parks

Objectives: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks and open spaces for everyone

Quarters To Perform Each Task:

Initiation / Planning: 0
Design / Permitting: 0
Bidding / Award: 0
Construction / Closeout: 0