

## TOWN OF PALM BEACH

### Town Clerk's Office

# REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2018

#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Public Works Committee meeting was called to order on December 21, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Town Council Chambers.

On roll call, all committee members were found to be present.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Lindsay led the pledge of allegiance.

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was the consensus of the Committee to approve the agenda.

#### IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

John David Corey, 426 Australian Ave., commented on the sparse condition of the Cassia tree located on the Southeast side of the Peruvian employee parking lot and requested that Public Works take a look at possibly treating it or replacing it with a live oak tree in the future.

In response to Mr. Corey, Paul Brazil, Director of Public Works, replied that staff will take a look at replacement options over the summer.

#### V. FICUS INVENTORY AND REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE

Paul Colby, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, provided an overview of the Town's current ficus hedge inventory and replacement schedule.

Discussion ensued regarding costs and priority schedule.

#### VI. GREEN INITIATIVE PROGRAM

Brett Madison, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, provided an overview of the Town's "Green Initiative" program. He spoke regarding the following items:

- Town-Wide Planting Survey
- Identification of Organic Alternatives
- Bid Documents
- Inspections and Education

#### VII. NON-TOXIC NEIGHBORHOODS, LLC

Mr. Colby, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, reported on the information and resources that were shared by the Non-Toxic Neighborhoods group from California during their meeting with Town staff.

Discussion ensued regarding use of non-toxic, organic pesticides and educating the public on the same. Director Brazil suggested giving the information to the different civic groups to disseminate to their members.

John David Corey, 426 Australian Ave., commended the staff and the Town on their efforts.

# VIII. ENGINEERING PROJECT UPDATES AND SUMMER 2019 ANTICIPATED WORK

Jason Debrincat, Senior Project Engineer, provided an overview of projects completed in 2018 by Public Works and a completion timeline for the anticipated projects in 2019.

Discussion ensued regarding the pump station improvements, impacts to Lake Trail public access points and the timeline for completion.

Chair Lindsay requested to bring back the timeline for the E-3 Sanitary Pumpstation improvements on Eden and Garden Road; negotiate a project timeline for May, 2019 and find out the reason for the high prices from construction contractors.

John David Corey mentioned the sidewalks on the corner of the 400 block of Worth Avenue and also crosswalks by the Midtown Beach. Director Brazil spoke regarding

the improvements to the area.

### **IX.** TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS (Already Approved by Town Council)

Director Brazil inquired if there were any other topics the committee requests for future meetings other than the ones listed below:

- Green Initiative and Plant Replacement Program
- Fertilizer Ordinance Review Requested staff to look into educating and enforcing the fertilizer ordinance.
- Town-wide Paving Program
- Project updates including the Lake Trail closures

Regarding the schedule for future meetings, it was agreed that the next meeting would be scheduled for February 2019 (after the Town Council meeting).

### X. ANY OTHER MATTERS

None

#### XI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The Public Works Committee meeting of December 21, 2018 was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

	APPROVED:	
	Bobbie Lindsay, Chair	
ATTEST:		
Kathleen Dominguez Town Clerk		
Date		