

# TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: June 8, 2021

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To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

From: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Re: Phipps Ocean Park Master Plan

Date: May 28, 2021

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## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Town Council review the attached letter from the Preservation Foundation and memo/presentation from Raymond Jungles, Inc. for the Phipps Ocean Park masterplan and provide direction.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

At the August 11, 2020, meeting, Town Council accepted a generous gift from the Preservation Foundation to complete a masterplan for improvements at Phipps Ocean Park. The Foundation underwrote the cost of the project as a gift to the residents of Palm Beach and have committed to fundraising for the park's improvements.

Subsequent to Council's acceptance of the Foundation's gift, staff has held numerous meetings with Preservation Foundation staff and members of the Raymond Jungles team. On January 19, 2021, the first of two community input sessions was held to obtain feedback on the initial conceptual plans for improvements at Phipps Ocean Park. A second feedback session was held on Friday, February 19 to present revisions reflective of the feedback received from residents at the first feedback session. Additionally, focus group meetings were held on March 15 with representatives of the Reef, 2100 Sloan's Curve, and Ibis Isle to address specific concerns from residents living directly adjacent to the park. Numerous one-on-one communications also took place with residents during the months of February, March, and April to help Raymond Jungles shape the final version of the masterplan to be presented to the Town Council on June 8.

Please find attached to this memo a letter, dated May 27, 2021, from Amanda Skier, President & CEO of the Preservation Foundation, as well as a memo from Guy Champin of Raymond Jungles, Inc., dated May 27, 2021 and related masterplan presentation slides. A full presentation will be provided by the design team from Raymond Jungles at the June 8, 2021, Council meeting, to solicit feedback from the Mayor and Council, as well as the general public.

## **FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT**

The masterplan was 100% underwritten by the Preservation Foundation. The Foundation has also committed to funding subsequent design development work as the project moves forward.

### Attachments

cc: H. Paul Brazil, Director of Public Works  
Carolyn Stone, Director of Business Development and Operations  
Darrell Donatto, Fire-Rescue Chief  
Amanda Skier, President & CEO - Preservation Foundation