TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: July 9, 2024

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

FROM: H. Paul Brazil, P.E., Director of Public Works

RE: Beach Access and Donation for Restoration with Lake Worth Beach

DATE: June 21, 2024

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council provide conceptual approval of a onetime donation towards the park complex to the City of Lake Worth Beach in exchange for access for the beach and dune renourishment project.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Town will be constructing a beach and dune renourishment project in Reaches 7 and 8 beginning this winter. This will include dredging sand from borrow areas offshore and placing it on the beach and dune.

Reach 7 access and work will be focused on Phipps Ocean Park, while access to Reach 8 renourishment is proposed through the south end of the Lake Worth Beach Casino & Complex property at 10 South Ocean Blvd. The City has expressed verbal acceptance of the requested use of their property for access to Reach 8 for placing sand in exchange for restoration of the impacted area and a onetime donation towards the park complex in the amount of \$80,000.

If the above proposal is conceptually approved by Town Council, Town staff and the Town attorney will work with the City staff and their attorney to draft an Interlocal Agreement and return with it via resolution for approval. Staff's goal is to establish a long-term working relationship for use of this access for future beach renourishment projects.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this donation will be from the Town's Coastal Fund.

cc: Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer Joanne M. O'Connor, Town Attorney