

Agenda Item # **6 F1**

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 21, 2009

☐ Consent
☐ Ordinance

☒ Regular
☐ Public Hearing

Department: Parks and Recreation
Submitted By: Parks and Recreation Department
Submitted For: Parks and Recreation Department

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to: A) approve in concept the future development of a community center within the proposed neighborhood park project at Gramercy Park provided that sufficient capital funding is identified for construction and a partnering not-for-profit agency is identified to operate the facility; B) authorize staff to identify conditions for a property exchange with the Department of Environmental Resources Management (ERM), initiate limited preliminary design, and provide a funding evaluation for the project; and C) reallocate \$1,000,000 in project funding within the 2002 \$50 Million Recreational and Cultural Facilities Bond referendum from South Florida Science Museum, Inc. for the Dekelbourn Science Center project to Palm Beach County for construction of a future community center at the proposed Gramercy Park Neighborhood Park project.

Summary: On September 10, 2002, the Board approved a proposed project list for the 2002 \$50 Million Recreational and Cultural Facilities Bond referendum that included \$4,000,000 (\$3,000,000 from District 2 and \$1,000,000 from District 7) for South Florida Science Museum, Inc. for construction of the new Dekelbourn Science Museum. A funding Agreement for this project has not yet been provided to the Board because the Science Museum has not yet presented project exhibits required for Bond Agreements. The District 7 Commissioner has requested that the Board redirect its \$1,000,000 previously earmarked for the Science Museum toward construction of a future community center at the County's proposed Gramercy Park Neighborhood Park. District 2 (PK)

Background and Policy Issues: On November 5, 2002, a bond referendum was passed by the voters of Palm Beach County in an amount of \$50 million for issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction of, and/or improvements to certain recreation and cultural facilities. The proposed Bond projects list approved by the Board on September 10, 2002, earmarked \$4,000,000 for construction of a new South Florida Science Museum, with \$3,000,000 from District 2 funding and \$1,000,000 from District 7 funding.

Although South Florida Science Museum, Inc. originally planned to construct its new museum at Lake Lytal Park, they have now terminated the County lease for the Lake Lytal Park location. They feel it is more cost effective to utilize the current location in Dreher Park for a renovated and expanded museum. Although South Florida Science Museum, Inc. has not yet presented final plans for the expansion/renovation project, they have renewed the long term lease with West Palm Beach at Dreher Park for another 50 year term. The District 2 Commissioner supports this change in location for the new (or expanded and renovated) Science Museum; however, the District 7 Commissioner feels that there is a more urgent need for the \$1,000,000 from the District 7 bond funding for construction of a community recreation center for underserved youth in the Gramercy Park area.

It is therefore requested that the Board reallocate the \$1,000,000 from District 7 for a future community center at the proposed Gramercy Park project and direct staff to pursue securing the property for the project, initiate preliminary design, and develop a project cost and operational funding analysis to be brought to the Board for review and approval at a later date. A funding Agreement for the \$3,000,000 from District 2 for the Science Museum project will be brought to the Board for formal allocation when plans have been finalized by the Science Museum.

Attachment: Commissioner Authorization for Redistribution of Bond Funding

Recommended by: _____

Department Director

Date

4/13/09

Approved by: _____

Assistant County Administrator

Date

4/14/09

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Capital Expenditures	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Operating Costs	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
External Revenues	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Program Income (County)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
In-Kind Match (County)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
NET FISCAL IMPACT	* <u>-0-</u> <i>See below</i>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	<u>0</u>				

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes _____ No _____
Budget Account No.: Fund _____ Department _____ Unit _____
Object _____ Program _____

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

* There is no fiscal impact associated with this item at this time. If this reallocation is approved, a budget transfer will be requested from the following source:

FUND: \$25M GO 05, Parks & Cultural Imprvmnts
UNIT: Reserves

Res-New Projects 3020-821-9817-9908 \$1,000,000

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: *[Signature]*

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:

[Signature] 4-13-09
OFMB *OK* 04/13/09 *OK* 4/13/09
4/13/09

[Signature] 4/13/09
Contract Development and Control
E. Jones 4/13/09

B. Legal Sufficiency:

[Signature] 4/13/09
Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

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Susan Yinger

From: Addie Greene
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 3:44 PM
To: Dennis Eshleman; Robert Weisman; Susan Yinger
Cc: Shirley Meeks
Subject: REALLOCATION OF 2002 RECREATIONAL BOND FUNDS/SOUTH FLORIDA MUSEUM

Please allow this correspondence to serve as notification/confirmation that I am requesting that the above allocation in the amount \$1m from the 2002 Recreational & Cultural Bond Funds, allocated the South Florida Science Museum, be withdrawn and reallocated to the proposed project, Gramercy Park Community Center/complex.

These funds was allocated to the museum in 2002 and to this date they have not been utilized. It is my desire to reallocate these funds to the Gramercy Park Subdivision which is in dire need of accessible recreation facilities in the area.

*Addie L. Greene
Board of County Commissioners
District VII
561-355-2207*