



GOLDEN GATE M.S.T.U. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**8300 Radio Road
Naples, FL 34104**

MAY 17, 2022

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M. by Chair Spencer. Attendance was called and a quorum of three was present.

II. Attendance

Advisory Committee	Patricia Spencer – Chair Paula Rogan – Vice Chair (Excused) Florence “Dusty” Holmes Ron Jefferson Vacancy
Staff	Michelle Arnold – PTNE Director (Excused) Dan Schumacher – Project Manager Rosio Garcia – Administrative Assistant (Excused)
Landscape	Mike McGee – Landscape Architect, McGee & Assoc. Marcus May – Grounds Maintenance, Mainscape
Other	Wendy Warren – Transcription, Premier

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. Approval of Agenda

*Chair Spencer moved to approve the Agenda of the Golden Gate Beautification M.S.T.U.
Second by Mr. Jefferson. Carried unanimously 3 - 0.*

V. Approval of Minutes April 19, 2022

*Mr. Jefferson moved to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022, meeting as presented.
Second by Chair Spencer. Carried unanimously 3 - 0.*

MINUTES

VI. Landscape Maintenance Report – Mainscape Landscaping Company

Mr. May reported:

- Sabal Palm trees will be pruned June 22, 2022.
- A proposal for plant replacements will be submitted to Mr. Schumacher.
- Declining plants on Sunshine Boulevard will be removed and replaced.
- Bougainvillea shrubs continue to decline.
- Irrigation issues on Sunshine Blvd will be evaluated in further detail and addressed.

Mr. Schumacher will coordinate irrigation checks to evaluate system efficiency.

VII. Landscape Architect's Report – McGee & Associates

Mr. McGee summarized the "Golden Gate Landscape Observation Report FY22" dated May 5, 2022.

General

1. Recommend pruning of all Sabal Palms in June prior to the storm season.
2. Recommend all Paver areas be pressure washed and treated with "Wet & Forget."

Mr. Schumacher will purchase and apply "Wet and Forget" to a test area of median pavers as an alternative solution to pressure washing. Results will be reported at the June meeting.

Tropicana Boulevard

- Prune Crape Myrtle sprouts on the north end of the last median.

Sunshine Boulevard

- Median #1:
 - Replace five (5) yellow African Iris.
- Median #2:
 - North end – Prune out dead and brown foliage in Juniper Parsonii. *Contractor treated Juniper for Blight disease.*
 - Address 2224: Cut off existing remaining Tabebuia tree trunk at grade.
 - Address 2248 – Replace eight (8) declining yellow African Iris.
 - Address 2184 & 2160 – Fertilize Bougainvillea 'Silhouette' shrubs.
- Median #6:
 - Address 1720- Replace twelve (12) yellow African Iris and remove volunteer Blueberry Flax sprouts.

Coronado Parkway

- All locations:
 - Caterpillar activity observed on Bougainvilleas. *Contractor reported plantings have been sprayed.*
 - Recommend developing recovery fertilization plan for all Paroutis palm clumps per UF/IFAS Extension recommendations for deficiencies as specified in the summary report.
- Median #5
 - Retreat Alexander Palms for white fly insects.
- Median #10:
 - Address 5237 - Fill in missing Perennial Peanut plants; quantity required fifty (50).

MINUTES

Hunter Blvd.

- All locations:
 - Caterpillar activity observed on Bougainvilleas. Spray treatment recommended.
- Median #2:
 - Recommend removal of Big Rose Crown of thorn and continue planting Perennial Peanut. Estimated number of plants needed two hundred twenty-five (225).
- Median #3:
 - Address 2330 – Replant twenty-five (25) Bougainvillea ‘Silhouette’ shrubs.
 - Address 2337 & 2340 - Replace twenty-three (23) Ms. Alice Bougainvillea shrubs; install twenty (20) additional shrubs on south end of bed.
 - Address 2090 – Remove volunteer Oyster plants in Amai at valve boxes.

Water Usage

April combined 2022 water use per WeatherTrak controller estimates:

- Tropicana Boulevard – 187,231 gallons.
- Sunshine Boulevard – 366,503 gallons.
- Coronado Pkwy & Hunter Boulevard – 333,042 gallons.

VIII. Project Manager’s Report

A. Budget Report

Golden Gate MSTU Fund Budget 153 dated May 17, 2022, and Capital Asset Plan

- The FY-22 Millage rate remains constant at 0.5000 mills.
- Current Ad Valorem Tax, Line 1, is \$533,600.00; an increase of 8.10% over FY-21.
- Transfers and Contributions, Line 13, are \$1,136,560.68; a carry-over of unexpended FY-21 funds.
- Total Revenue, Line 14, is \$1,675,060.68, including investment interest, transfers, and contributions.
- Purchase Orders: (Contractors)
 - Hart’s Electrical – Lighting Maintenance & Repair.
 - Howard Fertilizer – Landscape Fertilizer.
 - HydroPoint Irrigation– Cloud Software Renewal.
 - Mainscape Landscaping -
 - Incidentals is for landscape refurbishment and miscellaneous.
 - Grounds Maintenance includes irrigation repairs.
 - McGee & Associates – Landscape Architecture.
 - Premier Staffing – Transcription Services.
 - Site One Landscape Supply – Irrigation Parts & Pumps.
 - Varian Construction – Bus Shelter Repainting.
- Red indicates the Purchase Order is closed and the money expended.
- Operating Expense, Line 31, is budgeted at \$422,060.68; with current Commitments of \$130,663.10, Expenditures of \$186,557.84, and a Budget Remainder (unspent operating funds) of \$104,839.74.
- Capital Outlay, Line 33, budgeted at \$1,181,200.00, is available to fund planned long term projects, consistent with the MSTU ordinance and upon a motion from the Advisory Committee.
- Transfer to Fund 111, Line 34, in the amount of \$56,000.00, is for MSTU Staff salaries and accrued County overhead related to M.S.T.U. operations.
- Transfer to the Property Appraiser, Line 35, in the amount of \$4,500.00, is for computation of MSTU Ad Valorem data for the tax rolls.

MINUTES

- Transfer to the Tax Collector, Line 36, in the amount of \$11,300.00, is for collection of MSTU millage as part of the tax bill, currently 0.5 mills.
- Total Budget, Line 38, lists FY-22 MSTU budgeted funds at \$1,675,060.68; with tabulated Commitments of \$130,663.10, Expenditures of \$199,886.30, and a Budget Remainder (total unspent funds) of \$1,344,511.28. The \$1,675,060.68 amount does not change during the fiscal year.

B. FY-23 Budget – Proforma

Fiscal Year 2023

A preliminary FY-23 Budget Proforma, effective October 1, 2022, with a millage rate consistent with FY-22 was presented for informational purposes.

- Total Estimated Revenue is \$1,774,400.00, including Ad Valorem Tax revenue, Investment Interest, and estimated Transfers and Contributions in the amount of \$1,243,700.00, a carry-forward of unexpended FY-22 funds, (minus a 5% reserve).
- Capital Outlay, reserved for special projects, is \$1,412,700.00, an increase of 19.6% over the FY-22 Adopted Budget.
- Transfer to Fund 111 in the amount of \$60,100.00, an increase of 7.32% over FY-22, is for MSTU Staff salaries and accrued County overhead related to MSTU operations.
- Operating Expense, projected at \$278,800.00, represents a 15.52% decrease over the FY-22 Adopted Budget.

Millage Rate

The millage rate is evaluated annually with consideration given to both Operating Expense and Capital Outlay anticipated expenditures, for FY-23 and future fiscal years. The Committee agreed to maintain the current 0.50 millage rate (1/2 mil), providing opportunity to fund or contribute to future projects.

C. Replacement Bridge – Santa Barbara Canal

The plans include replacing the three existing bridges with a single bridge including both shoulders and sidewalks on each side. Improvements are anticipated to enhance mobility and maintain connectivity for vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians.

Railing Design

- An upgraded *Sunshine Motif Infill Panel* for application to the railing has been approved.
- Dennis McCoy, Sr. Engineering Project Manager, Growth Management Division, notified Mr. Schumacher the order has been placed and the cost for the Panel, funded by the M.S.T.U., is in the \$45,000.00 range.

Construction on the bridge project will commence in September or October 2022.

D. Parkway Turf at Santa Barbara Boulevard

The Committee previously discussed installation of irrigation and sod at the intersection of Santa Barbara Blvd. and Golden Gate Parkway, west of the sign. The Road Maintenance Division is responsible for maintaining the area and must approve the project.

Mr. Schumacher provided a version of an irrigation plan created by Mr. McGee to Pam Lulich, Landscape Operations Manager, and requested refurbishment of the area. Conversations among Mr. McGee, Mr. Schumacher, and Ms. Lulich indicate the County is receptive to restoring the area to its original condition.

MINUTES

Mr. Schumacher will update the Committee on the project status at a future meeting.

IX. Old Business

Traffic Operations acknowledged that replacement of street signs on Santa Barbara Blvd. which lack reflectivity are on the County's maintenance list.

X. New Business

None

XI. Public and Board Comments

None

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 5:07 P.M.

GOLDEN GATE MSTU ADVISORY COMMITTEE


Patricia Spencer, Chair

The Minutes were approved by the Committee on 8-16, 2022 as presented or as amended _____.

**GOLDEN GATE NEXT MEETING:
JUNE 21, 2022 – 4:30 PM
COMMUNITY CENTER
4701 GOLDEN GATE PARKWAY
NAPLES, FL 34116**