



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

**8300 Radio Road  
Naples, FL 34104  
MARCH 15, 2022**

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### **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**

<b>Advisory Committee</b>	Patricia Spencer – Chair Paula Rogan – Vice Chair Florence “Dusty” Holmes (Excused) Ron Jefferson Vacancy
<b>Staff</b>	Michelle Arnold – PTNE Director (Excused) Dan Schumacher – Project Manager Rosio Garcia – Administrative Assistant (Excused)
<b>Landscape</b>	Mike McGee – Landscape Architect, McGee & Assoc. Marcus May – Grounds Maintenance, Mainscape
<b>Other</b>	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 Ms. Rogan. Carried unanimously 3 - 0.*

### **V. Approval of Minutes February 15, 2022**

*Chair Spencer moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2022, meeting as presented.  
Second by Ms. Rogan. Carried unanimously 3 - 0.*

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### VI. Landscape Maintenance Report – Mainscape Landscaping Company

Mr. May reported:

- Maintenance is being performed on the medians.
- Paroutis Palms were pruned.
- Plants under *refurbishment warranty* and replacement plants will be installed weeks ending March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

*Mr. Schumacher approved Mainscape Landscaping's cost proposal for replacement plants and issued a Notice to Proceed.*

### VII. Landscape Architect's Report – McGee & Associates

McGee & Associates Summary Report dated March 1, 2022, detailed observations and noted items highlighted in yellow should be addressed as soon as possible.

#### General

Recommend all paver areas be pressure washed and treated with "Wet & Forget" mold treatment. Treat turf areas with broadleaf weed control.

#### Tropicana Boulevard

- Median #1: Install two-hundred fifty (250) Dwarf Jasmin due to missing plants and slow growth rate due to shade from large Oaks.
- Median #3: Remove or spray Blueberry Flax Lily sprouts in Iris beds with herbicide.
- Median #5:
  - Monitor Oak tree with 50% trunk damage yearly.

#### Sunshine Boulevard

- Median #1: Recommend replacement of five (5) yellow African Iris.
- Median #2:
  - Add two (2) Dwarf Bougainvillea 'Helen Johnson.'
  - Cut off existing Tabebuia tree trunk at grade.
  - Replace eight (8) Yellow African Iris.
  - Recommend fertilization to boost declining Bougainvillea 'Silhouette' shrubs.
  - Install twelve (12) Juniper Parsonii to replace shrubs damaged by an auto accident.
- Median #3: Add three (3) Juniper Parsonii at the south end damaged by a light pole accident.
- Median #5: Recommend planting twenty-five (25) Blueberry Flax Lilies.
- Median #6:
  - Replace twelve (12) Yellow African Iris at addresses 1720 and 1770 (total 24 plants).
  - Recommend replacement of fourteen (14) Bougainvillea 'Silhouette' shrubs.

#### Coronado Parkway

- Median #4: Review irrigation coverage and replace one (1) yellow African Iris.
- Median #10: Fill in missing Perennial Peanut plants; quantity required fifty (50).
- Medians #12 and #14: Replace two Alexander palms with severe trunk damage.

#### Hunter Boulevard

- Median #2: Remove all Big Rose Crown of Thorns and plant area with Ecoturf Perennial Peanut, approximately two-hundred twenty-three (223) needed.

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- Median #3:
  - Install twenty-five (25) Bougainvillea shrubs and treat remaining Bougainvillea shrubs for caterpillars at address 2330.
  - Replace twenty-three (23) declining Ms. Alice Bougainvillea shrubs at addresses 2337 and 2340 and install twenty (20) additional shrubs on south end of bed beyond Crape Myrtle.
- Median #6: Remove volunteer Oyster plants in Zamia at valve box.

### Water Usage

February combined 2022 water use per WeatherTrak controller estimates:

- Tropicana Boulevard – 265,764 gallons.
- Sunshine Boulevard – 353,473 gallons.
- Coronado Pkwy & Hunter Boulevard – 257,160 gallons.

### **Mr. Schumacher will:**

- Schedule pressure washing and application of “Wet and Forget” with Mainscape Landscaping.
- Direct Mainscape’s Agronomy division to treat broadleaf weeds in turf areas.
- Request a Quote (RFQ) from Mainscape Landscaping to remove Crown of Thorns and plant Perennial Peanut on Hunter Boulevard Median #2.

## **VIII. Project Manager’s Report**

### **A. Budget Report**

#### Golden Gate MSTU Fund Budget 153 dated March 15, 2022

- 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 12, are \$1,136,560.68; a carry-over of unexpended FY-21 funds.
- Total Revenue, Line 13, is \$1,675,060.68, including investment interest, transfers, and contributions.
- Purchase Orders: (Contractors)
  - Hart’s Electrical – Lighting Maintenance & Repair
  - Howard Fertilizer – Landscape Fertilizer
  - Mainscape – Landscape Incidentals, Ground Maintenance, and Irrigation.
  - 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 \$161,116.50, Expenditures of \$154,700.04, and a Budget Remainder (unspent operating funds) of \$106,244.14.
- 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 M.S.T.U. 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 M.S.T.U. Ad Valorem data for the tax rolls.

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- Transfer to the Tax Collector, Line 36, in the amount of \$11,300.00, is for collection of M.S.T.U. millage as part of the tax bill, currently 0.5 mills.
- Total Budget, Line 38, lists FY-22 M.S.T.U. budgeted funds at \$1,675,060.68; with tabulated Commitments of \$161,116.50, Expenditures of \$166,665.40, and a Budget Remainder (total unspent funds) of \$1,347,278.78. The \$1,675,060.68 amount does not change during the fiscal year.

### Fiscal Year 2023 Proposed Budget

A preliminary FY-23 budget, effective October 1, 2022, with a millage rate consistent with FY-22 will be presented for review at the April 2022 meeting.

- 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.

### Asset Inventory Review & Cost Estimates

The Capital Asset Plan dated March 15, 2022, identifies MSTU assets and estimates financial requirements to maintain these known assets. The following was noted:

- The list sequences MSTU assets by an anticipated year of replacement and replacement cost, plus an ongoing annual maintenance cost where applicable.
- Assets include, but are not limited to, landscaping and irrigation, lighting, pump stations, signs, and structures.
- Projected asset replacement costs through 2032 total \$1,784,990. (w/ 7% annual inflation)

### **B. Replacement Bridge – Santa Barbara Canal**

The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) awarded the “*Design-Build of Golden Gate Parkway over Santa Barbara Canal Bridge Replacement*,” contract to Thomas Marine Construction, Inc., on October 26, 2021. A Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued on January 14, 2022.

**Mr. Schumacher** attended a meeting February 14, 2022, at the Growth Management Division building to discuss design proposals for the bridge railing.

### Railing Design

**Dennis McCoy, Sr. Engineering Project Manager, Growth Management Division (GMD)**, responded to the M.S.T.U.’s request to articulate the cost variance between the standard aluminum railing with a Picket design Infill Panel and the upgraded aluminum railing with a Sunshine motif Infill Panel for the Canal bridge.

- The standard aluminum railing, mill finished, with a Picket Infill Panel, specified in the original base price, is \$32,465.00.
- The upgraded aluminum railing, mill finished, with a Sunshine motif Infill Panel, is \$90,223.00, a cost differential of \$57,758.00.
- The recap noted the extra cost for Galvanized steel, painted or unpainted.
- The standard, mill finish, aluminum railing does not require M.S.T.U. funding.
- The GMD is receptive to the M.S.T.U. design selection assuming it can be installed within the projects determined timeframe.
- The M.S.T.U. must provide a decision by the end of March 2022.

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The Committee discussed:

- The “industrial” appearance of Galvanized steel is not desirable for the bridge application.
- The goal of the Golden Gate Beautification M.S.T.U. is to enhance the attractiveness of the community.
- Funds are available for the expenditure.

*Chair Spencer motioned to approve funding in the amount of \$57,758.00 to install an aluminum railing, mill finished, with Sunshine Infill Panel, on the Santa Barbara Pedestrian Bridge. Second by Ms. Rogan. Carried unanimously 3-0.*

### **C. Golden Gate Parkway – Add a “Welcome” sign in the ROW, near CR 951**

A “Welcome to Golden Gate Sign in Median” on the Median tip at the intersection of Collier Blvd. (north) and Golden Gate Parkway, in the Right of Way (ROW), is under consideration by the MSTU.

- Jacob’s Engineering advised Mr. Schumacher the area the M.S.T.U. has identified for sign placement may, or may not, be impacted depending on the selected location for a replacement bridge across the parallel canal.
- The CR951 project is to be reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners in May 2022 with a prospective bridge location expected to be determined.

*Mr. Schumacher will update the Committee on the status of the road widening project at a future meeting.*

### **D. Tropicana Shelters - Repaint**

Varian Construction has completed repainting surfaces of two (2) bus shelters.

### **E. Parkway Turf at Santa Barbara Boulevard**

The Committee 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.

McGee & Associates will provide a plan to Pam Lulich, Landscape Operations Manager, to secure a cost quote for refurbishment of the area.

### **F. Parkway Bus Stop @ Santa Barbara Canal Bridge**

- A bus shelter on the north side of Golden Gate Parkway, west of the replacement bridge project, does not appear to need relocation to ensure public accessibility during bridge construction scheduled to commence in August 2022.

## **IX. Old Business**

None

## **X. New Business**

None

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**XI. Public and Board Comments**

Streetlights

1. Sunshine Boulevard lacks illumination for safe walkability.
2. A concrete light pole is lying on the ground near 41<sup>st</sup> Street and McDonald's.
3. A streetlamp is blinking on Hunter Boulevard and Coronado Parkway.

*Staff noted items 2 and 3 are the responsibility of Florida Power & Light (FPL).*

Street Signs

Some street signs on Santa Barbara Boulevard are not visible at night.

**Mr. Schumacher will:**

- Contact the individual with whom Ms. Rogan spoke to determine lighting information related to Sunshine Boulevard.
- Follow up on resolution for street sign visibility improvement.

*There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 5:30 P.M.*

**GOLDEN GATE MSTU ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

  
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Patricia Spencer, Chair

The Minutes were approved by the Committee on 4-19, 2022 as presented  or as amended \_\_\_\_\_.

**GOLDEN GATE NEXT MEETING:  
APRIL 17, 2022 – 4:30 PM  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
4701 GOLDEN GATE PARKWAY  
NAPLES, FL 34116**

MEETING ATTENDANCE

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

Date: **April 19, 2022**

**FY-22**

NAME

POSITION

SIGNATURE

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Patricia Spencer

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Paula Rogan

Vice Chair

Dusty Holmes

Ron Jefferson

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McGee & Assoc (Landscape Architect)

Marcus May

Mainscape (Grounds Maintenance)

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*Marcus May*

**OTHERS**