



AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

Town Manager's Office

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Mar 22, 2011

Mar 11 (5:00 pm)

Mar 8, 2011

Feb 25 (5:00 pm)

SUBJECT TITLE: Oceanfront Center Stormwater Drainage and Streetscape Improvements

EXPLANATION: One of the Stormwater Master Plan's priority projects is the improvement of drainage in the Oceanfront Center. The Commission also made this a priority by appropriating \$106,000 in the FY 2011 Capital Budget for the design of the project. In discussions with Chen Moore & Associates, we have come to the conclusion that the drainage project should address the drainage problems that occur throughout the Oceanfront center as shown on attached map (**Exhibit 1**).

We knew that a survey would be necessary for the design of this project and the El Mar project, so we ordered a survey covering the full length of EL Mar Drive and the Oceanfront Center. The survey is expected to be completed by month end.

We know there is a desire to move quickly on this project, but we also see there are two other capital projects that should be incorporated into one design:

1. Burying electric power, cable TV and telephone line in the 2 blocks of Commercial east of A1A and north on EL Mar to the alleyway and south on EL Mar to Oriana's property.)
2. Streetscape improvements on Commercial, east of A1A.

As the Commission has pointed out so often, this will be a disruptive project and we should make all of the improvements that need to be made at once.

There are no funds programmed in the Capital Improvements Plan for burying utilities, nor do we have an estimate of what it will cost to bury the utilities for both the Town on public property and for adjacent property owners. Preparing that cost estimate in connection with completing the design of the drainage improvements up to the 60% stage makes sense.

Since David Sucher's Town walk, there seems to be renewed interest in making streetscape changes (revising placement of the landscaping, on-street parking, expanding sidewalks, etc.) on Commercial in the two blocks east of A1A and the 2004 Master Plan called for streetscape changes there, but the extent of those changes is something that would need community input and close cooperation with adjacent property owners to assure adequate access to their businesses. Once we get to 60% plans for the stormwater drainage project, the Town will need to have made decisions regarding the design of the streetscape improvements and the issue of burying the utilities.



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There are several things we need direction from the Commission on:

1. Do you want to include analysis of the costs of burying the utilities in this same area in the scope of work for whoever designs the stormwater project?
2. Should we be proceeding to develop ideas for streetscape improvements on Commercial Boulevard east of A1A and discuss various options with the adjacent property owners and businesses?
3. Do you want us to issue an RFP for the drainage and utilities project, or are you willing to consider negotiating a scope of service with Chen & Associated to do the work? (This would require an amendment to their contract as the cost will exceed the limit the current contract imposes on their services in any given fiscal year.)

Exhibit 1: area map

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Proposed Alternative OceanSide Beautification

