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ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Domonique McKenzie, Minutes Clerk, Clerk & Comptroller's Office

3. APPROVE MINUTES – June 20, 2019

MOTION to approve the June 20, 2019 minutes. Motion by Michael Elhilow, seconded by Debra Chandler and carried 11-0. Maria Antūna, Mary Evans, Rex Kirby, Christine Thrower, and Lee Waring absent.

4. REVENUE REPORT

Sherry Brown, Director OFMB, said that the infrastructure surtax revenue collection was \$62.2 million to date and was averaging about 4% higher compared to the same time period last year.

Chair Ward asked whether the budget was adjusted based on an anticipated higher revenue.

Ms. Brown responded that planned expenditures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 totaled about \$73.1 million and the state estimated revenues of about \$83.5 million.

5. EXPENSE REPORT

5.a. Presentation by Jacobs Project Management Co.

Jonathan Jordan, Principal/Senior Project Manager for Jacobs Project Management Company, said that:

- Current FY 2019 expenditures on the appropriated detailed report indicated approximately \$56 million.
- Engineering expenditures totaled approximately \$25.4 million; FD&O, \$24 million; and Parks & Recreation (Parks), \$2.05 million.

6. BUDGET TRANSFERS/PROJECT PRESENTATIONS BY ENGINEERING, FD&O, AND PARKS

6.a. Parks

Robert Hamilton, Director, Parks Planning, Research, and Development stated that:

- Parks set an initiative for FY 2018 – FY 2023 that would install more synthetic turf fields throughout the county and a total of \$27 million was allocated toward these conversions.
- A total of 17 fields would be converted to synthetic turf fields.
- Benefits of converting to synthetic turf fields included less maintenance and service time.
- Parks would continue to consider user-group feedback.
- He stated that the ideal bidding process would involve a batch of projects rather than a solo project; however, that was not a cost-effective method.

Mr. Smith inquired about the cost difference between natural-grass fields and synthetic turf fields.

Mr. Hamilton said that the cost was dependent upon necessary site work and that the cost to install a natural-grass field without lights was around \$500,000 while synthetic turf fields averaged \$1.1 million. He added that:

- Caloosa Park had 2 natural-grass multiple-purpose fields that would be converted to synthetic turf fields and 1 diamond field that would be converted to a natural-grass multiple-purpose field.
- County Pines Park experienced drainage problems and converting fields 9 and 10 to synthetic turf fields would alleviate those problems.
- Dyer Park and John Prince Park were heavily utilized necessitating the conversion to synthetic turf fields.
- \$3.2 million was allocated to Loggers' Run Park to convert 2 of the 4 fields to synthetic turf from natural-grass.

- The Orange Bowl Committee matched the County's \$1.5 million to add synthetic turf fields and renovate Glades Pioneer Park.
- Funding for the projects would be available on October 1st, 2019. Procurement methods had yet to be determined but would likely involve separate contracts for installation and procurement.
- Typical build time ranged from 90 to 120 days. Installation would be planned around low field usage.

Mr. Smith inquired about the life expectancy of natural-grass fields compared to synthetic turf fields.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the maintenance cost of natural-grass fields was lower than that of synthetic turf fields, but the latter withstood higher traffic than natural-grass fields and lasted 7 to 10 years.

Mr. Lewis asked about the field technology that the City of Boca Raton utilized for its park system.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the City of Boca Raton used an organic synthetic turf that was plant-based, which required constant irrigation and maintenance.

Ms. Palmatier inquired about the procurement method that would be utilized for the upcoming projects.

Mr. Hamilton stated that a contract with Musco Sports Lighting was in place and that Requests for Proposal (RFP) were conducted for contractors. He said that 3 contractors were selected and the projects would be bid-out to those pre-qualified contractors. He added that the turf projects would follow a similar process.

6.b. Engineering

1. **Type 1: Golf Road/ Military Trail to Congress Avenue**
2. **Type 1: Military Trail/Hypoluxo to Lake Worth Road**
3. **Type 1: Northtree Subdivision (Residential Roads)**
4. **Type 2: Jog Road/Summit Boulevard to Gun Club Road**
5. **Type 2: Frederick Small Road/Military Trail to Palmwood Road**

Steve Carrier, Assistant County Engineer, stated that:

- Engineering was receiving \$196 million from the Surtax program, out of which resurfacing and bridge projects comprised \$121 million.
- The department was experiencing a higher-than-anticipated unit cost to its annual contracts.
- There were 121 resurfacing projects included in the County's Surtax program, 22 of which were completed \$2 million under budget, which went toward reserves.
- The Jog Road/Summit Boulevard to Gun Club project was originally funded at \$400,000 in FY 2019 and now required an additional \$80,000 to be completed.

MOTION to approve the Type 2 budget transfer for the Jog Road/Summit Boulevard to Gun Club Road project. Motion by Michael Elhilow, seconded by Debra Chandler and carried 11-0. Maria Antūna, Mary Evans, Rex Kirby, Christine Thrower, and Lee Waring absent.

Mr. Carrier said that the original funding for Frederick Small Road/Military Trail to Palmwood Road project was \$200,000 in FY 2019 and an additional \$80,000 was now required for completion.

MOTION to approve the Type 2 budget transfer for the Frederick Small Road/Military Trail to Palmwood Road project. Motion by Michael Elhilow, seconded by Debra Chandler and carried 11-0. Maria Antūna, Mary Evans, Rex Kirby, Christine Thrower, and Lee Waring absent.

Mr. Carrier stated that 10 of the current 27 bridge projects were in design and none were bid-out or constructed. He added that Engineering would collaborate with County Administration regarding funding for the pending projects.

6.c. FD&O

Richard Avery, FD&O Project Manager, stated that:

- The County's current Animal Care and Control Center was located on Belvedere Road and was constructed from 1989 through 1992.

- Staff completed a project estimate of necessary facility improvements in 2016 and determined that the appropriate IST budget would be \$21 million.
- In FY 2019, \$6 million was appropriated to the project, \$7 million would be allocated in FY 2020, and \$8 million in FY 2022.
- Facility improvements included additional administrative space, clinic renovations, an isolation area, and a cat area feature.
- In 2019, the BCC requested that a comparative study be conducted to determine whether it was more practical to renovate the current facility or construct a new facility.
- Staff recommendations based on the findings of the ongoing comparative study would be presented to the BCC in November.
- Final direction from the BCC should follow in December.
- Public outreach meetings were conducted and the collected feedback was shared with contractors.

Mr. Harvie asked how many animals each kennel housed.

Mr. Avery said that the kennels were designed for 1 animal, but the facility kept 2 animals per kennel with a guillotine in the middle to separate the animals.

Mr. Franklin inquired whether the County had considered utilizing private animal care organizations.

Mr. Avery stated that Animal Care and Control staff looked at private shelters in the county and around the state and the country and occasionally sent some of the animals elsewhere for services. He said that the current facility was the only shelter in the county that took in all animal breeds including horses.

7. OTHER COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Eric McClellan, Director, FD&O Strategic Planning, stated that staff would be unable to relocate future committee meetings to a complex down the street because it was fully booked throughout the current calendar year. He added that staff would consider relocating meetings for the next calendar year.

8. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:01 a.m., the chair declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED: