



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Corporation
Meeting of May 15, 2017

DATE: May 3, 2017

TO: President and Honorable Board Members,
Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Corporation

THROUGH: Margie C. Rose, City Manager

FROM: E. Jay Ellington, Director, Parks & Recreation Department
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Seawall Fund - The Water's Edge Pier Improvements

MOTION:

Motion to approve a pier improvement project at the Water's Edge in an amount not to exceed \$586,326; appropriating an additional \$86,326 from the unreserved fund balance of the No. 1120 Seawall Improvement Fund; and changing the FY 17 capital budget to increase expenditures from \$500,000 to \$586,326.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi has a contract with Fulton Construction to execute \$5.1 million in improvements to The Water's Edge. The project includes improvements at Sherrill Park, the Great Lawn, McCaughan Park, McGee Beach and the abandoned Shoreline Roadbed.

The Type A Board was informed in June and July of 2016 of the synergy between The Water's Edge (Bayshore Park) (Bond 2008) project and the McGee Beach Pier and Breakwater and the Marina Dredging/McGee Beach renourishment projects, to include:

- Park scope included pier surface treatments and upgrades of up to \$500,000, but not structural repairs.
- Type A Breakwater Study identified \$750,000 in needed structural repairs to the Pier and Walkway to the Breakwater.
- Type A 2017 CIP contains \$500,000 toward the structural repairs identified in the Breakwater Study.
- City currently negotiating with their design-builder over the scope of the final design of the pier, both structural repairs (Type A budget) and aesthetic upgrades (Bond 2008 budget).

In November 2000, the voters of Corpus Christi approved Proposition 4 which called for the adoption of an economic development sales tax for "the development of improvements to the downtown Seawall and for maintenance and operating costs" of

those improvements. Proposition 6 defined the economic development significance of the Seawall by defining its importance to downtown, adjacent parks and public facilities and connection with special events and general public use of the area. As the pier improvements will help create a place for visitors to the Seawall, will enhance the continuity between The Water's Edge, McGee Beach and the Seawall, and drive additional economic development by enhancing a special event space adjacent to the Seawall, this is an allowable expense for the fund.

Bond funds are committed to this phase of the project of \$454,000.

	Total for Pier Renovations	\$1,040,326.00
McGee Beach Breakwater	Type A CIP Funds Appropriated	- 500,000.00
	Unappropriated Balance	\$ 540,326.00
Bayshore Park	Less Bond Funds Appropriated	- 454,000.00
	Additional Funds Required	\$ 86,326.00

If approved, the Parks & Recreation Department will work with the Engineering Department to prepare and approve a change order for the City's design-build contract with Fulton Construction for the proposed pier improvements.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approving the motion.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2016-2017	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget	\$500,000.00			\$500,000.00
Encumbered/ Expended Amount				
This item	\$ 86,326.00			\$ 86,326.00
BALANCE	\$586,326.00			\$586,326.00

Fund(s): Seawall Improvement