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TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY

WORKSHOP AGENDA

OCTOBER 21, 1993

1:00 P.M.

- I. Committee Reports and Communications
- II. Items for the Consideration of the Town Commission:

A - Consent Agenda (Approval to Schedule for Formal Action)

The purpose of the "Workshop Consent Agenda", like the Regular Meeting Consent Agenda, is to expedite those items on an agenda that appear to be of a routine nature. The reason for incorporating items under the Workshop Consent Agenda is to meet the Town Code requirement of having all items presented in a Workshop meeting before scheduling for approval in a formal meeting. Any item on the Consent Agenda can be removed and placed on the Workshop Agenda by any member of the Town Commission or by the Town Manager. All items remaining on the Consent Agenda will be declared by the Mayor as approved for scheduling on a subsequent formal meeting for discussion and action.

B - Discussion Items

1. Consideration of Town HIV/AIDS Infectious Disease Policy
2. Canal Dredging
3. Consideration of Traffic Agreement Between Town and Bay Isles Master Homeowners Association
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5. Consideration of Eminent Domain Resolution adopted by Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
6. Consideration of Community Spirit Award for Shannon Hotel Group, Inc. - Donation to Mayor's Hurricane Relief Fund and Furniture Donation to Habitat for Humanity
7. Discussion of Manatee County Tourist Development Funds
- 8 & 9. Discussion of Reserve Funds Definition; and Discussion of Five-Year Capital Plan

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10. Consideration of Ordinance Specifying Authorization Requirements for Filing of Town Lawsuits
11. Recreation Center
(Delayed to future date.)
12. Tennis Center
13. Benefactor Offer of Contribution for Cultural Community Center
14. Consideration of Bid #93-008, Mowing and Trimming of Turf on Town Property

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WORKSHOP OF THE LONGBOAT KEY TOWN COMMISSION,
OCTOBER 21, 1993, 1:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Brown, Vice-Mayor Farber, Commissioners Patterson,
Drohlich, Metz, Sagman, Green

Also Present: Town Manager Roberts, Town Attorney Persson, Finance
Director Sullivan, Administrative Services Director
Hubbard, Purchasing/Personnel Agent Heger, Town Clerk
Arends, Deputy Clerk Celentano

I. Committee Reports and Communications

1. Longboat Key Moorings

Commissioner Green referred to a letter Commission members received from Longboat Key Moorings regarding dedication of Bay Isles Parkway. He suggested before an agreement was made for additional Police Department patrol of the area, it should be determined it would not jeopardize the Town's legal position in any way. Town Attorney Persson reported he had entered into preliminary discussion with the Bay Isles Association. (This item was discussed under Item 3 - Consideration of Traffic Agreement Between Town and Bay Isles Master Homeowners Association.)

2. Manatee County Landfill

Commissioner Green reported he received a copy of a letter written by Virginia Sanders to Manatee County, using the Town of Longboat Key Recycling Committee logo, regarding problems she observed with Manatee County landfill requirements. Mayor Brown stated all Town committees were agents of the Town and were not to speak, lobby or pressure an outside organization, but instead should make recommendations to the Town Commission or Town Manager so they could take the necessary action. He directed all committees be informed by letter. Mayor Brown also stated individuals could represent themselves, but should not identify themselves as representing a Town committee.

3. Ringling Bridge

Commissioner Green reminded Commission members of the Public Hearing scheduled for 11-4-93 by the Florida Department of Transportation regarding the Ringling Bridge. He suggested the list of Metropolitan Planning Organization members be made available so citizens could contact them individually. Commissioner Sagman reported attending the Lido Beach Civic Association and it was suggested residents attend the 11-4 and 11-22 hearings and speak briefly. She asked if something could be done politically since Bird Key and downtown Sarasota would have a great influence in this matter. Mayor Brown stated the final decision would be made at the MPO meeting on 11-22, unless there was an overwhelming majority against it. He said at the current time the MPO seemed to be equally divided.

4. Replacement of Mailboxes along GMD

Commissioner Green stated the postal service would be removing all mailboxes along GMD; they were to be replaced with the standard gray box. He suggested request be made to postal authorities for boxes to

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be replaced in the Town's colors of blue and white instead of gray. It was agreed Commissioner Green would check this possibility and report at a future workshop.

5. Deceleration Lane at Spanish Main

Commissioner Green asked why a deceleration lane had been approved by the Florida Department of Transportation for Emerald Harbor but not Spanish Main. Mr. Roberts stated the request could be resubmitted. Mayor Brown suggested it be done as soon as possible. Commissioner Patterson suggested if the request was made for one, all applications be reconsidered for deceleration and acceleration lanes. Mayor Brown asked if the Town's financial commitment covered the cost of deceleration and acceleration lanes. Commissioner Sagman suggested requirements might be different for private roads in comparison to public roads.

Commissioner Drohlich asked if the Town would be obligated to advance funding if the repaving project for the Manatee section were moved into the period for the Sarasota section. Commissioner Green stated DOT was to receive the funds the same time as budgeted. Town Planner Gaffney advised DOT would design and install deceleration and acceleration lanes based on where they were warranted; the Town's commitment covered access management areas, the bike path and the landscaping. Mr. Roberts asked if DOT studied the deceleration lanes, specifically Spanish Main. Mr. Gaffney responded he would check the reason it was not included, as well as all the other applications, and prepare a list with justification. Mayor Brown requested the list be available by 11-22 so he could discuss it with the MPO.

6. Coffee with Commissioner Program

Commissioner Patterson reported he enjoyed his first "Coffee with a Commissioner" session on 10-14; he commended the Committee for organizing a great program. Mayor Brown added the Program was the Town Clerk's idea and was one of the best programs instituted for the Town since he was elected.

7. Proposed Amendments to Environmental Action Commission and Responsibilities

Commissioner Metz reported at the 10-20 meeting of the Island Elected Officials, discussion took place regarding the creation and responsibilities of the Manatee County Environmental Action Commission, created by a Special Act of the State. He said there was concern that the EAC could interfere with home rule of municipalities. He also referred to a letter Commissioners received from Alan Prather, representing several individuals and organizations, asking for the Town's support in getting amendments made to the Act. Commissioner Metz suggested Mr. Persson be asked to contact Mr. Prather for details on the proposed amendments. He also reported Manatee County Commission, voting as the EAC, voted not to appoint two additional members to the EAC as previously discussed. Mayor Brown pointed out there were those who wished to continue development at the cost of harm to the environment. He suggested this subject be scheduled for another workshop.

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8. New Signs at Bay Isles Parkway

Commissioner Drohlich asked if new signs being placed by the Bay Isles Master Association could be moved back to allow a line of sight of about 100 feet for the bicycle path. Mayor Brown recommended the Police Chief approve placement in this regard.

Commissioner Green asked Dr. Franklin Schwartz, President of Bay Isles Association, how long the directional signs would be used at the entrance; he responded they were temporary.

II. Items for the Consideration of the Town Commission:1. Consideration of Town HIV/AIDS Infectious Disease Policy

Mr. Roberts stated the proposed policy would cover the needs for the Town. Commissioner Sagman asked if the regulations were from the ADA since they seemed very strict. Mr. Persson stated it was the responsibility of the Commission to approve personnel policies. Commissioner Green expressed concern with accidental disclosure through the computers from one supervisor to another, resulting in exposure to other liabilities. Mr. Persson reported it was a crime to disclose that someone had tested positive to the disease; however, he thought there was very little exposure to liability through computer information.

Vice-Mayor Farber stated the Commission would be exposed to considerably more expense due to ADA compliance; he asked if job descriptions existed for each Town position. Personnel/Purchasing Agent Heger stated a procedure had been established wherein current job descriptions were reviewed and updated for ADA determination each time a vacancy occurred.

Vice-Mayor Farber suggested risk factors be included in job descriptions; he asked if the Town could transfer an employee to another position at the same pay scale, etc., if a determination of risk were made. Administrative Services Director Hubbard reported the Americans with Disabilities Act defined employees with certain diseases and disabilities as protected, and the Town did not have the right to make arbitrary decisions to transfer an employee out of a job unless it could be shown that the disability or infirmant would cause one to be unable to perform the job without reasonable accommodation.

Mayor Brown suggested a procedure be developed whereby the supervisor would make the Town Manager aware of the situation. Mr. Roberts agreed the Town Manager should be the agent.

Commissioner Drohlich referred to item 3 in the General Policy statement and asked if an employee would be told if a physical examination were required. Mr. Hubbard stated the current policy was a position was filled based on a satisfactory physical examination. Commissioner Drohlich asked if there would be any provision in the policy to allow the Town to require a physical examination if an employee's physical condition changed. Mr. Roberts replied the ADA did not allow this. Mr. Persson advised a physical could be requested if there were an overt reason and the Town believed it was a problem. Commissioner Drohlich asked what the policy would be if

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the employee refused to take the physical. Mr. Persson stated disciplinary action would be in order. Ms. Heger stated Jeanne Connor, R.N., consultant for the Town on bloodborne pathogens, reviewed the physical examination section of the policy and recommended a predetermination hearing be inserted to determine the reasonableness of a medical examination, in order to protect the Town. Ms. Heger said this was the current status. Mr. Persson agreed this was a good idea because the employee may have a property right in employment, so a hearing would be held to determine reasonableness of the activity. Commissioner Patterson asked if the ADA would treat those individuals so separately that they would not fall within the group, resulting in reverse discrimination. Mr. Hubbard stated each employee would be treated as an individual and the employer would lose certain rights in dealing with that employee. Commissioner Patterson also asked the reasons for the use of numerous adjectives, such as "undue hardship" and "excessive cost", resulting in a lack of protection for both the employee and employer. Ms. Heger stated the ADA was specifically an aggressive policy and an effort had been made to make the policy "user-friendly" in order not to exhaustively explain the policy for the Town and its employees. Mr. Roberts stated the predetermination hearing was a requirement under the law and was not optional. Mayor Brown asked if the policy had been reviewed by the labor attorney.

There was consensus to refer the proposed policy to the interim labor attorney and remove the item from the agenda of the Special Meeting immediately following this workshop.

2. Canal Dredging

Mr. Roberts reported the Town had liability coverage for canal dredging. Commissioner Green commented all canal residences may not be at risk and should be handled on an individual basis. Mayor Brown suggested this be part of the Capital Improvements program discussion scheduled for the 11-4-93 Special Workshop.

3. Consideration of Traffic Agreement Between Town and Bay Isles Master Homeowners Association

Mr. Roberts reported staff had been working with the Bay Isles Association over the past several months to develop this Agreement; the Town Attorney had reviewed the Agreement and it appeared to be in order. Mr. Roberts stated the staff had no problem with it; he recommended it to the Commission. He said the roads in Bay Isles were currently private and the Town police could patrol them but could not enforce traffic laws before this Agreement.

Commissioner Green asked if the Town would be vulnerable in any way for anyone having been let through the gates, or if a public employee would then become the gatekeeper. Commissioner Patterson asked who had initiated the request because it sounded to him that the Town had. Police Administrative Officer Coons advised Bay Isles had requested this service; it was covered under Section 316.0062(b), F.S. Mayor Brown pointed out the Agreement stated: "Whereas the Association desires the Town to exercise its municipal traffic control jurisdiction over the five roads previously described...". Mr. Roberts concurred.

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Commissioner Drohlich addressed the point that the Agreement called for a sign every half mile; he asked if that was not considered to be excessive. Lt. Coons stated this was also covered under the Florida Statutes. Commissioner Drohlich also asked the purpose of the radar unit. Lt. Coons reported it would be back-up for the current unit and would also be available for problems in Bay Isles.

Commissioner Sagman asked if this service could be made available to other associations. Lt. Coons stated if so, they would also need to sign an agreement. He confirmed no additional employees would be required. Vice-Mayor Farber asked if there would be any fee for service the second and third years of the Agreement following the first year (covered by donation of the radar gun). Lt. Coons stated there would be no fee.

Mr. Persson recommended Resolution 93-05 (for Tract HR-"A"), which included a Condition requiring construction vehicles be held to a speed of 10 mph, be referenced in the Agreement. It was agreed that Mr. Persson amend the Agreement for consideration at the 11-1-93 Regular Meeting.

Dr. Schwartz stated the individual associations within the Master Association would be submitting similar agreements; therefore, he requested approval of all on a consent agenda. Commissioner Drohlich stated since Harbour Oaks, and possibly Corey's Landing, had gates they did not feel the service was necessary; however, they would continue to be patrolled.

4. Presentation by Manatee County School Board re. School Revenue Options

Dr. Gene Witt, Manatee County School Board Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent Walter Miller and James Kronus, Principal of Anna Maria Elementary School, were in attendance. Dr. Witt stated there was a real need for additional revenue for operating the schools; he asked the Town to consider support of a county-wide referendum for a one-cent sales tax option for a five-year period. He compared it to the alternative of a general obligation bond issue, normally twenty years in length, with only the property owners obligated to pay the tax, incurring a high interest expense. He advised the current millage rate for Manatee County School Board District was 9.2 mills.

Commissioner Metz stated this proposal would take away any opportunity for additional income through sales tax for the Town or County for five years. Mayor Brown asked why it would be necessary for the School District to receive all the tax. Dr. Witt replied without the total amount the School Board would be unable to complete all the proposed projects. Vice-Mayor Farber commented the sales tax option would provide for a significant amount to be paid by non-residents.

Charles Loiselle, the Town's Special Liaison to Manatee County, suggested the Town Commission not make a decision until after the 10-26-93 joint meeting with the Manatee County Board of Commissioners because they may determine other needs. There was

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consensus to support Manatee County School Board for the one-cent sales tax to be placed on referendum. The decision on the interlocal agreement regarding the Town's share of the sales tax would be made after the referendum passed.

A recess was called at 2:45 P.M.; the Workshop reconvened at 2:55 P.M.

5. Consideration of Eminent Domain Resolution adopted by Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (Resolution 93-38)

Mayor Brown suggested the resolution be modified to include the 2-year delay in the process; he recommended it be forwarded to the next Regular Meeting. There was consensus to forward the modified resolution to the 11-1-93 Regular Meeting.

6. Consideration of Community Spirit Award for Shannon Hotel Group, Inc. - Donation to Mayor's Hurricane Relief Fund and Furniture Donation to Habitat for Humanity

Mayor Brown stated all Community Spirit Awards should go through the Commission.

He reported seven vans of furniture were shipped from Inn on the Beach units through Shannon Hotel Group to victims of Hurricane Andrew in southeast Florida. Over \$15,000 had also been donated and could be used for transporting the furniture, if necessary. He suggested any remaining funds be donated to Habitat for Humanity for the purchase of appliances. He also suggested one section of the housing be designated for furnishing through the Longboat Key Relief Fund. There was consensus the Award and Proclamation be prepared for Shannon Hotel Group, with copies of the Proclamation distributed to the condominium owners, and for the funds to be turned over to Habitat for Humanity.

7. Discussion of Manatee County Tourist Development Funds

Finance Director Sullivan stated \$150,000 had been received from Manatee County Tourist Development Council from the tourist taxes each of the last two years (1990-91 and 1991-92). He said request was made for \$254,000 for fiscal year 1992-93; however, funds were withheld for refurbishment or removal of groins at Coquina Beach. There was consensus to forward this subject to the 10-26-93 joint meeting with the Manatee County Board of Commissioners.

8 & 9. Discussion of Reserve Funds Definition; and Discussion of Five-Year Capital Plan

Mayor Brown asked that a Special Workshop be held on 11-4-93 and a copy of the Capital Improvements element of the Comprehensive Plan be included in the packet material.

10. Consideration of Ordinance Specifying Authorization Requirements for Filing Town Lawsuits (Ordinance 93-24)

Mr. Roberts stated it was requested the Town Code be amended to require Commission authorization prior to filing a lawsuit. Commissioner Green expressed concern that the Town insurance policy did not cover certain types of lawsuits such as civil rights issues or inverse condemnation. He suggested an effort be made to obtain

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coverage, even if it cost more. Mr. Roberts reported he was reviewing the limits of liability and Mr. Green's concerns could be included in that review.

There was consensus to forward the proposed ordinance to the 11-1-93 Regular Meeting for first reading.

11. Recreation Center

Mr. Roberts reported he and staff had been meeting with the Recreation Center Board and they were close to an agreement; however, due to time constraints, he was unable to have the report ready for this meeting. (This item was removed from the agenda until the 11-4-93 Special Workshop.)

12. Tennis Center

Mr. Roberts reported considerable progress had been made concerning a tennis center; there was now an approved site as selected by the Town Commission, results of the initial Requests for Qualifications for design, and authorization to negotiate a contract. The Whelan Group was selected; he had identified cost estimates defined by the Whelan Group and had determined the costs as too high. He said the Whelan Group told him costs could not be lowered unless the Town wanted to proceed with Phase I of their program, which would assure them some reimbursement for downscaling. Mr. Roberts stated he had recommended a \$500,000 estimate for the project; the estimate was not presented to the Whelan Group because he wished to see what specifications they came back with. He stated in light of the cost figures available the Town could take a different approach by downscaling the project and then re-writing the specifications for a design/build proposal and include an alternate for an operate/franchise proposal. He said it would open the process for any bidders for any combination and division of the two. He also stated the tennis center could be reasonably self-supporting, using the fee structure approved by the Commission previously, based on the projected number and frequency of users. He explained the difficulty had been in operating with competing parameters: one was to keep the construction cost at \$500,000, and the other that it be self-supporting. He stated he did not think a facility could be built for \$500,000 that would be self-supporting and may need to be down-scaled, including the amenities. He recommended the Commission reject the current proposals, down-scale specifications, and staff prepare a new RFP for a design/build proposal and include an alternative for an operate/franchise proposal, allowing for divisions of these two to cover all possibilities.

Commissioner Green stated the original plan did not include the scale of amenities discussed recently.

Vice-Mayor Farber questioned whether the interest earned on the \$200,000 donated by Arvida had been isolated. Mr. Sullivan stated it had not; the only expenditures from those funds had been used for advertising. Commissioner Drohlich stated he could not justify the figures to make it profitable and expressed concern if the franchisee backed out. He suggested determination be made on the method of financing the project; also, that the franchise agreement

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include a performance bond for up to two years so the Town would be protected from the cost of operations. Commissioner Patterson inquired what the total cost would be.

John Redgrave, 1485 GMD, Tennis Committee member, reported the background in determining costs and stated his concern with the time and funds being spent without progress on the project. He suggested the Whelan Group be awarded \$16,000 and directed to propose a project which would fit the \$500,000 concept.

Jack Whelan, Architect, representing the Whelan Group, stated there had been a misunderstanding; he realized the Commission needed to know two things: the cost of building and the cost to operate. He proposed to put together a pro forma to tell that, whether at \$200,000 or \$500,000. He proposed a phased construction. He stated the original plans were enlarged, resulting in a higher planning cost. Mr. Roberts stated he and staff met with Mr. Whelan to negotiate on a lower fee. Mr. Whelan stated they never intended to do more than Phase I at a cost of \$16,000. He also stated his firm was made up of professionals and had no intention of bidding on the project.

Lee Rothenberg, Birdie Lane, stated he had served on the original Tennis Committee since it's inception and agreed with Mr. Roberts' recommendation; this way the Town would know how much it would cost. He stated estimates were derived from tennis projects completed in Bradenton and Sarasota.

Vice-Mayor Farber recommended the bidding process require bidders to name the subcontractors. Commissioner Green stated a franchisee would be concerned about the profit and loss of the project. Commissioner Metz suggested the Town have professionals review the plans. Commissioner Patterson asked if the Town used a cost plus contract or a fixed price, low bid, or best value. Ms. Heger stated that had not been determined; therefore, the options were open.

Mayor Brown asked what guarantee the Town had if extensive permitting were required to meet environmental requirements. Mr. Roberts stated specifications would be written to address that as part of the turn-key proposal and the successful bidder would have to meet those standards. He referred to his revised proposed schedule with the opening planned for 10-1-94, if his recommendation were approved. He pointed out part of his recommendation was authorization for \$20,000 for a consultant to assist with assessing and reviewing the bids.

There was consensus to forward the Town Manager's recommendations to the Special Meeting on this date.

13. Benefactor Offer of Contribution for Cultural Community Center
Vice-Mayor Farber reported he informed the Commission several months ago a benefactor wished to donate \$500,000 to the Town for a Community Center, to be named in the memory of his deceased wife. He said after much thought and concern with the outcome of the project, he had met with the Planning Department as well as the benefactor to

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discuss the concept of a community park rather than a building; the benefactor agreed. Vice-Mayor Farber stated he also discussed the community park with several civic leaders and all agreed it was a great idea. He then presented a conceptual plan for the entire Ansel property owned by the Town to include: approximately two miles of nature trails, a botanical garden, ten tennis courts, picnic area, docks for police and fire boats, and a kiosk which would have information about the benefactor and his wife. He suggested signs be placed on the property indicating the future site of the (benefactor's name) park. He stated an agreement would be prepared by Mr. Persson as the benefactor was anxious to complete the agreement; however, one commitment was for a study to be done for a cultural community center. The proposed agreement would include payments to the Town over a two-year period. Mayor Brown pointed out a park would be an on-going memorial. Mr. Roberts stated research on a community center had begun and would continue if the Commission wished. Commissioner Drohlich suggested a formal dedication recognizing the benefactor upon completion of the park. Vice-Mayor Farber thanked Mr. Roberts, Mr. Gaffney and Associate Planner Steve Shield for their assistance on this project.

There was consensus to forward approval of the conceptual community park to the Special Meeting on this date.

14. Consideration of Bid #93-008, Mowing and Trimming of Turf on Town Property

Mr. Roberts recommended the bid be awarded to the lowest bidder, Southern Lawn, for a three-year period amounting to \$36,652; this would cover 36 sites of Town property. He stated the Town employees who had been providing this service would be used for beach maintenance.

It was suggested discussion at a future workshop concern a policy providing first consideration for awarding bids be given to Town residents. Ms. Heger advised it could become too restrictive resulting in additional expense to the Town. There was consensus to forward the consideration of Bid #93-008 to the Special Meeting on this date.

III. Town Attorney Comments

1. Labor Counsel

Mr. Persson requested the Town Commission consider retaining an interim labor attorney. He said he had been contacted by several interested firms; he requested time to review their applications and fees.

2. Town Attorney Requests Town Commission Advice in Closed Session

Mr. Persson advised he, as Town Attorney, may request a closed session in accordance with new law effective 7-1-93, in order to get direction from the Town Commission regarding a lawsuit. He also stated a court reporter would be used and the minutes would be sealed in the Town Clerk's office until disposition of the case.

3. Attorney Fees on Cases

Commissioner Patterson inquired whether fees were being generated in

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reference to Reserve I and Reserve II while awaiting court action. Mr. Persson stated he was not aware of any during that period.

IV. Town Commission Comments1. Water Conservation

Mayor Brown suggested discussion regarding water billing based on consumption and concern with conservation be scheduled for the next workshop.

2. Agreement with the City of Sarasota regarding Sand from New Pass Dredging

Mayor Brown reported about five years ago the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ran out of money and eliminated all recreation dredging projects; therefore, during the dredging at New Pass, the Corps suggested Sarasota work out an agreement with Longboat Key to share the sand. Sarasota was in need of sand for Lido Key so the Town agreed on a distribution of 65% to Sarasota and 35% to Longboat Key from that dredging project; however, future spoils would be split 50-50. He said the City of Sarasota now stated it was not a valid agreement. A different channel course was now being proposed, closer to Longboat Key; the Town's engineers were working to get a change since it was detrimental to the south end of Longboat Key. Mayor Brown urged the Town Commission to agree for Mr. Persson to review the agreement and to take immediate legal action if dredging commenced. Mr. Persson advised the Town could give notice to the Corps letting them know the Town would enjoin them.

Mr. Roberts suggested the Town ask Sarasota County to do a study as soon as possible before the Pass was dredged. The Commission agreed Mr. Roberts should direct a letter to the County in this regard.

Commissioner Patterson stated a friend, Frank Mohr, Regional Engineer for the Corps of Engineers, may be able to meet here soon with Mr. Smally to discuss the situation.

3. Funding for Development of Park on Bay Isles Road

Vice-Mayor Farber asked if funds had been allocated to develop the Town's two-acre parcel on Bay Isles Road. Mr. Roberts stated it had not.

4. Tourist Development Funds

Vice-Mayor Farber reported in representing the Commission at the Manatee Legislative Delegation Public Hearing on 10-25-93 he would present the Town's views on the legislation regarding Tourist Development funds. He would express opposition to efforts by special interest groups, largely in the Orlando area, who intended to make it more difficult for local governments to use tourist development funds to fund beach projects. He said a proposed amendment would require the first 3% of tourist tax be used for advertising and promotion, and seek to delete listing beaches as one of the uses for the funds.

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5. Special Workshop for Goals and Objectives

Commissioner Drohlich reported the Communications Committee recommended a special workshop following the Town elections for the purpose of inviting presidents and chairmen of all local organizations to provide input for the Town's goals and objectives. Mayor Brown commented it seemed rather unwieldy; if a new Commissioner's goals were not the goal of the people represented, he was not doing his job. He said the Town Meeting provided an opportunity for the goals to be aired before the public for their reactions.

Commissioner Drohlich asked if it was not the feeling of the Commission that not enough response was received from the public at the Town Meeting where the goals were presented.

Vice-Mayor Farber thought it would be beneficial to invite the presidents of all the condominium associations and civic organizations, as representatives of residents of Longboat Key, to a "round table" discussion to benefit by their input and the conversation that would take place.

Commissioner Green stated he presented his opinion and if his constituents did not agree, they would inform him.

Commissioner Drohlich stated the Communications Committee's objective was to get greater input into the legislative process of the Town. He added the representatives of the condominium associations and civic organizations also had an agenda to air. Commissioner Patterson agreed and stated he would welcome their input at workshops.

Mayor Brown suggested this be deferred until after the election.

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The Workshop was adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

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