

WORKSHOP, SEPTEMBER 19, 1996
AGENDA ITEM # B-2

Agenda Item: Status Report: Canal Dredging Survey

Presenter: Town Manager

Summary: The results of the Canal Dredging Survey have been tabulated, and a summary is provided for your information and review.

Attachments: 9-12-96 Memo, Town Manager to Town Commission

Recommended Action: None.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 12, 1996

TO: Town Commission
FROM: Griff Roberts, Town Manager
SUBJECT: Status Report: Canal Dredging Survey

As you know, a Canal Dredging Survey was sent to canal-front property owners this summer to determine public reaction to a proposed dredging maintenance project for those canals identified in the March 1996 Coastal Planning & Engineering Inc. Canal Dredging Feasibility Report.

As you will see, the response return rate is excellent and indicates that the majority (67%) are in favor of canal dredging and maintenance. However, the issue of payment for the program seems to be evenly split, (50/50). The summary details give a breakdown by street of all 581 property owners surveyed by the side of the canal they live on, and whether they would (1) approve a canal dredging program and (2) agree to participate in the cost of such a program. You are also provided details of comments received. All three of the condominiums included in the program have responded affirmatively to both questions.

The comments received indicate that concerns you discussed earlier are shared by those surveyed.

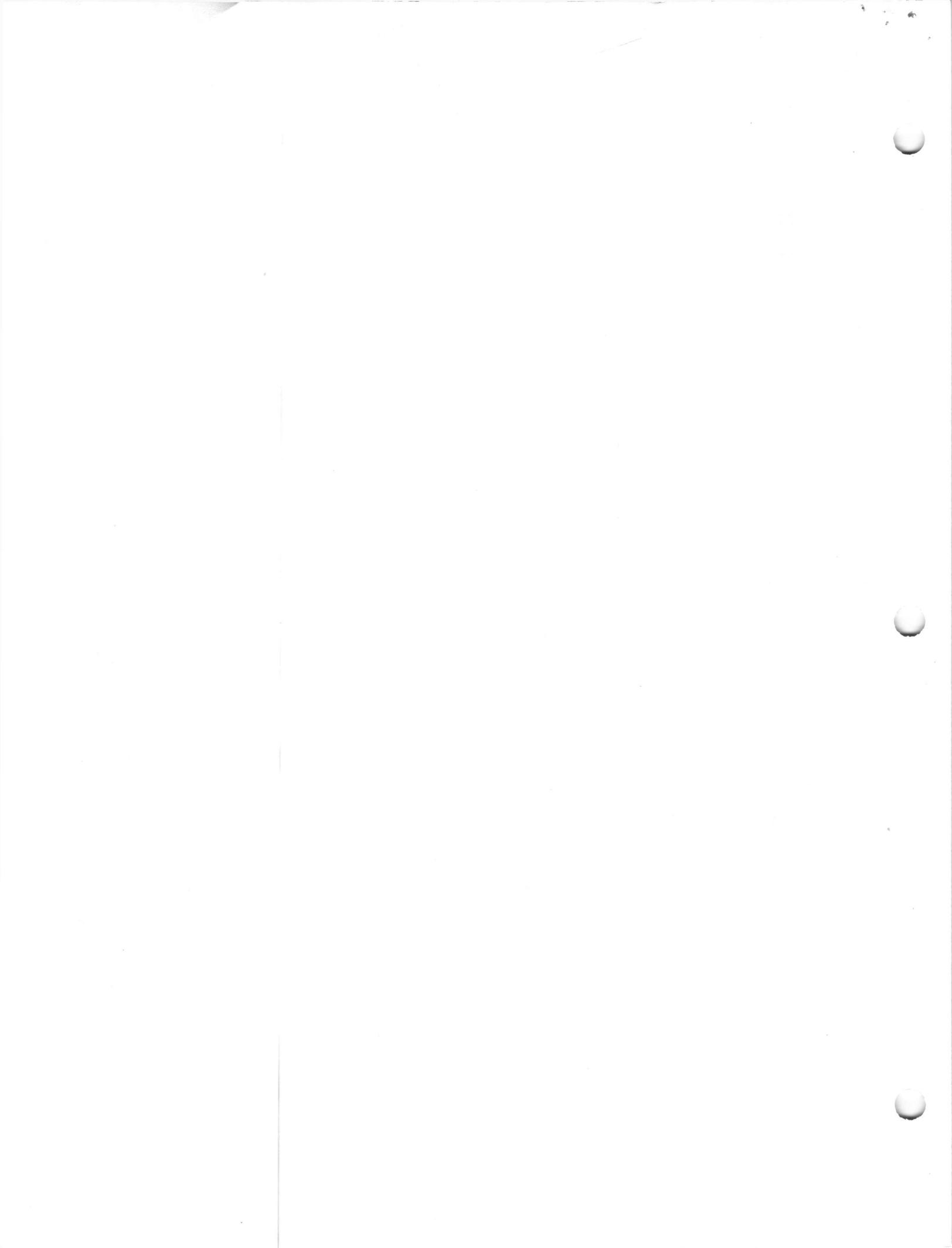
The full survey, which is voluminous, is in my office if you would like to review it for further detail.



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cc: Len Smally, P.E., Public Works Director
Coastal Planning & Engineering, Inc.
Dr. Cliff Truitt



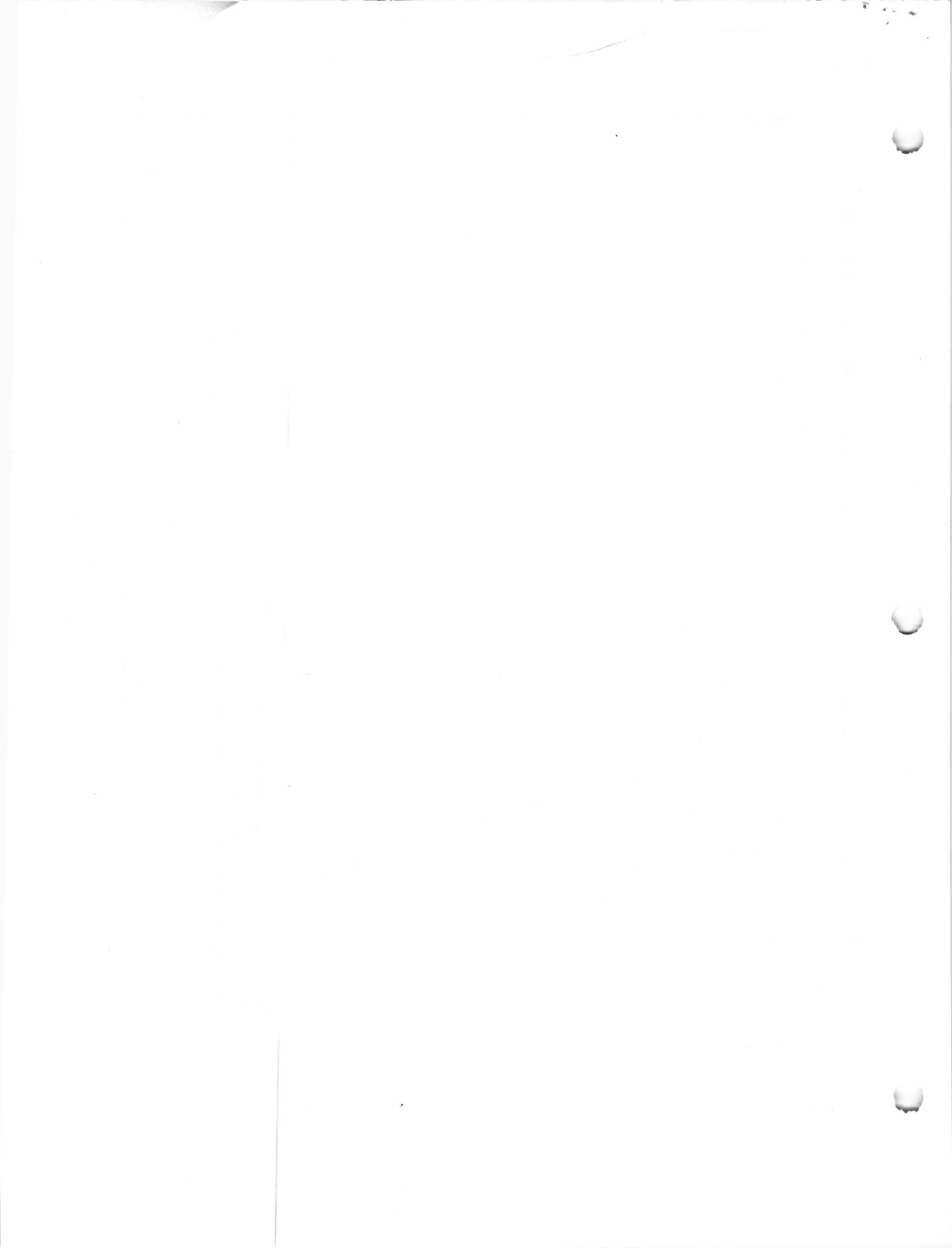
Canal Dredging Survey

Street Name	North	East	South	West	Total	(1) Yes	(1) No	(2) Yes	(2) No	Total	Comments: Pro Special Districts	Property Owner's Responsibility	Town's Responsibility	Need Info	Seawall Concerns	Fixed Income	
Bayview Drive	8	1	7	2	18	14	4	11	7	18		5		1			
Bogey		10	1		11	7	4	6	5	11		3	1				
Bowsprit	6		8	1	15	5	10	5	10	15		2			2		
Broadway	1				1	1		1		1					1		
Buttonwood	6	2	8		16	6	10	4	12	16			2				
Chipping	5		7		12	7	5	5	7	12			1				
Cutter	7		5	2	14	11	3	8	6	14		3			1		
DeNarvaez	6		6		12	9	3	7	5	12		2			2	1	
Dream Island		2	11		13	6	7	5	8	13							
ED Lee					0					0							
Em Harbor	11	5	5	8	29	12	17	12	17	29		2			3		
General Harris	2				2	2		1	1	2				1			
Golf Links	5		5		10	5	5	4	6	10		1					
Gulf of Mexico	1	27			28	19	9	17	11	28		4	1		1		
Gunwale	8		4	1	13	10	3	7	6	13		1		1			
Halyard	12		8	1	21	9	12	6	15	21			3	1	1	1	
Hideaway Bay	5	3	1	2	11	5	6	3	8	11			2				
Hornblower	6	1	5	1	13	11	2	10	3	13		1			2		
Jackson Way			1		1		1		1	1							
Jessmyth	4		1		5	2	3	2	3	5				1	1		
Juan Anasco	3		5		8	7	1	6	2	8				1	1		
Jungle Queen	2		14		16	12	4	10	6	16			1		2		
Ketch	3	2	2		7	6	1	5	2	7		1			1		
Kingfisher	5		3		8	5	3	4	4	8				2	1		
Land's End	3	1			4	2	2	2	2	4			1				
Longboat Drive	1			11	12	9	3	8	4	12		2	1		1		
Longview Drive	1	1	3		5	3	2	3	2	5		1			1		
Lyons Lane	3		9	1	13	7	6	7	6	13		1			2		
Marbury Lane	8	8	6	6	28	11	17	8	20	28		2	1	2	2	1	
Norton	16	8	7	3	34	15	19	10	24	34		1			3		
Old Compass	4	1	1	1	7	6	1	3	4	7			1		2		
Outrigger	5		5	2	12	10	2	9	3	12			1		3		
Palm Drive				1	1		1		1	1							
Penfield	5	3	4	1	13	10	3	10	3	13							
Putter	1		8		9	5	4	4	5	9				1			
Putting Green			9		9	4	5	4	5	9					2		
Ranger	8		9	1	18	11	7	11	7	18					5		
Rountree	6		7		13	7	6	6	7	13		2			2		
St. Judes Drive	30		17		47	30	17	18	29	47		5		2	3	1	
Schooner Lane	2		8		10	7	3	7	3	10			1		3	1	
Shinbone Alley			1		1	1		1		1							
Sloop	2	2	1		5	4	1	3	2	5		1			1		
Spinnaker	5		5	1	11	7	4	7	4	11		2			1		
Tarawitt	16	1	11	1	29	23	6	21	8	29		1		1	2		
Wedge	7	1			8	6	2	4	4	8		1		1	2		
Weston Pointe Ct.				1	1	1		1		1							
Yardarm	3		6	1	10	4	6	4	6	10					3	1	
Yawl	3	5	1		9	7	2	6	3	9		1					
TOTALS	235	84	225	49	593	361	232	296	297	593		45	22	9	10	57	6
	0.396	0.1	0.379	0.08		593		593									
						0.6088	0.391	0.4992	0.501								
% Returned	F51/881=	0.673															
Undeliverable	27/881=	0.031															

NOTES: Shinbone Alley and Weston Pointe Court were not included in mailing but surveys were returned completed.



Street Name	No need	Other Comments
Bayview Drive		1-Will assist with purchase/lease/operation of equipment
Bogey		
Bowsprit		1-dredge entrances only
Broadway		
Buttonwood	2	3-Don't live on canal; 1-Dredge New Pass
Chipping		1-Question 2 unclear; 1-Dredge shallow areas only; CCS HOA covenant to maintain canals, will bring class action suit to do it
Cutter		1-seems high, get several bids; 1-spend less on frivolous lawsuits and could pay for maintenance
DeNarvaez		1-Town spends too much; 1-dredge middle 3-4' and mouth of canal only
Dream Island	1	1-Bridge on Dream Island Rd needs repair
Ed Lee		
Em Harbor	1	1-should be federal project; 1-study possible increase in sand movement; 1-Cannon's Marina should be liable for seawall damage from boat renters; 1-COST BY LINEAR FT. OF CANALFRONT + DEPTH DREDGED
General Harris		
Golf Links		1-sailboat water enhances property values
Gulf of Mexico	3	1-spot dredging of shallows only; 1-one-time charge of correct amount
Gunwale	1	
Halyard	1	
Hideaway Bay	1	1-clean out vegetation > not needed; 1-clean out lagoons also; 1-only benefit if dredge under boat lift
Hornblower		2-ASAP; 1-a five-year assessment best
Jackson Way		1-Opposed
Jessmyth		1-assess boaters; 1- cost too high
Juan Anasco	1	1-Only as needed; 1-money well spent
Jungle Queen		
Ketch		1-ASAP; 1-there should be no fishing within 100 yards of seawall by non-resident boaters
Kingfisher		1-unmarked PD boat should ticket speeders
Land's End		1-opposed
Longboat Drive		1-ok, but is there a more equitable method; 1-as needed only
Longview Drive	1	1-charge by canal area dredged=frontage x 1/2 canal width and only 2-3' deep
Lyons Lane	1	1-yes, if dredged soil could be used on their property; 1-will increase property values; 1- taxes high enough
Marbury Lane		1-not worthwhile if only a few need; 1-TC for beach not canals; 2-clean out vegetation; 1-canal cleaned by natural tide action; 1-fair share formula needed
Norton	1	1-base cost on lin. ft. of dock; 1-trim trees
Old Compass		1-cost too high, someone making money on this; 1-should be state funded; purchase two dredges for state use and use div. corrections residents for labor; 1-town should clean debris out of canals
Outrigger		1-cost seems too high; 1-favor only if seawall integrity guaranteed
Palm Drive		
Penfield		1-trim mangroves
Putter	1	1-pay County Club Shores HOA for canal maintenance, do not want to pay twice
Putting Green		1-Stop the spending; 1-will not absolve the Town of seawall liability; seawalls in Units 1-4 will not withstand dredging
Ranger	1	1-Use this money for north/south groin construction
Rountree	1	1-excessive cost if both sides pay; use current ad valorem + additional tax
St. Judes Drive		1-would docks have to be removed/replaced by owners; 1-cost by lin. ft. + width canal + amount dredged; 1-cost by linear foot
Schooner Lane		
Shinbone Alley		
Sloop		2-ASAP; 1-spot dredging only
Spinnaker		1-differentiate between desilt and dredge and charge accordingly; 3-badly needed
Tarawitt		1-just do it and assess everyone; 1-would like to see seawall program; 1- utilize state/federal funding also
Wedge		1-focus on mouths of canals only
Weston Pointe Ct.		
Yardarm		1-favor dredging of canals and maintenance of seawalls with stricter law enforcement re. various issues; 1-ASAP; 1-limit dredging to 5-6' center of canal
Yawl		
TOTALS	17	



M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: September 19, 1996

TO: Town Commission

FROM: Griff Roberts, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Budget Clarification re. Canal Dredging

The purpose of this memo is to clarify some confusion that occurred at last Monday's meeting regarding the budget for canal dredging.

After meeting with Finance Director Terry Sullivan, I was able to clarify for myself the reason that Terry incorporated a line item for the canal dredging project. Since we had incorporated this cost estimate for canal dredging as part of the discussion for our capital budget, Terry assumed that it should be incorporated in the budget for adoption. This, however, is not correct since Town Commission has not determined a funding source for the canal dredging project nor the method of financing.

Accordingly, this is to advise that the budget ordinance passed on first reading reflects \$1.335 million more, both in revenues and expenditures, than it should.

Your final adoption of the budget on September 30th will be reduced by this amount unless you make a determination by that date for the specific source of financing.

Staff and I regret that this confusion occurred, thus the purpose of this clarification.



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cc: T.O. Sullivan, Finance Director