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February 9, 2024

9:30 AM

Sebastian City Hall Complex, 1225 Main Street, Sebastian, FL 32958

The order of items appearing on the agenda is subject to change during the meeting and is at the discretion of the presiding officer. Anyone wishing to speak on any item is requested to complete a speaker’s card.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (Chris Dzadovsky, Chair)

2. Election of Officers (Glen Torcivia, Legal Counsel)

   Requested Action: Elect Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary for Calendar Year 2024.

3. Introduction of IRL Council Board of Directors and Special Guests
   (IRL Council Chair)

4. Agenda Revisions (IRL Council Chair)

   Note any known changes and inquire if any members have suggested revisions.

5. Resolutions, Recognition, Letters and Awards (IRL Council Chair)

6. Public Comment

7. Water Quality Reports
   a. Northern and Central Lagoon (Lauren Hall, SJRWMD)
   b. Southern Lagoon (Dr. Melanie Parker, SFWMD)

8. IRLNEP Management Conference Committee Reports
   a. Management Board Report (TBD)
   b. STEM Advisory Committee (TDB)
   c. Citizens’ Advisory Committee (TDB)

9. Consent Agenda (IRL Council Chair)
   a. Approve November 17, 2023, Board of Directors meeting minutes
   b. Approve First Amendment to Agreement, Torcivia, Donlan, Goddeau & Rubin, P.A.
   c. Approve revised MOA with Brevard Zoo “Dollar for Conservation”
   d. Approve three contract renewals for scientific monitoring services pursuant to
IRL Council sole-source procurement policies:

- University of Florida Harmful Algal Bloom Monitoring
- Florida Atlantic University – Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Harmful Algal Bloom Monitoring
- WSP USA Environment and Infrastructure, Inc. Atmospheric Deposition Station Maintenance, Monitoring and Data Analysis

e. Board of Directors Appointments to IRLNEP Management Conference:
   New Appointments
   - Janet Zimmerman, FIND, to Management Board replacing Mark Crosley
   - Jennifer Spain, Volusia County, to Management Board, replacing Tom Carey
   - Olivia Escandell, Brevard Zoo, to STEM Advisory Committee

   **Requested Action:** Approve Consent Agenda

10. Old Business
IRL Council funding partnership with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to the University of South Florida. (Duane De Freese)

   **Requested Actions:** Authorize staff to enter into a 3-year agreement with USF to work cooperatively with FDEP and USF to coordinate and align grant activities associated with the IRL Protection Program (F.S. 373.469) and the IRLNEP Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP).

11. New Business

   a. Fiscal Year 2025 Water Quality RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

      **Requested Action:** (By separate motions)
      1. Accept the IRLNEP Management Conference recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2025 Water Quality proposals.
      2. Fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

   b. Fiscal Year 2025 Habitat Restoration RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

      **Requested Action:** (By separate motions)
      1. Accept the IRLNEP Management Conference recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2025 Habitat Restoration proposals.
      2. Fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

   c. Fiscal Year 2025 Community-Based Restoration RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

      **Requested Action:** (By separate motions)
      1. Accept the IRLNEP Management Conference recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2025 Community-Based Restoration proposals.
2. Fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

d. Fiscal Year 2025 Science and Innovation RFP (Daniel Kolodny)
   **Requested Action: (By separate motions)**
   1. Accept the IRLNEP Management Conference recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2025 Science and Innovation proposals.
   2. Fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

e. Fiscal Year 2025 Tentative Budget (Daniel Kolodny)
   **Requested Action:** Review and adopt the tentative budget for FY 2025 by Resolution 2024-01, pursuant to Florida Statutes.

f. Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Amendment (Daniel Kolodny)
   **Requested Action:** Review and amend the final budget for FY 2024 by Resolution 2024-02, pursuant to Florida Statutes

f. Fiscal Year 2025  EPA Workplan (Daniel Kolodny)
   **Requested Action:** Authorize staff to develop and submit the FY 2025 EPA Workplan by June 1, 2024.

h. New Request for Qualification (RFQ) solicitations for Accounting Services, and Printing Services (Duane De Freese)
   **Requested Action:** Authorize staff to develop and release RFQs for identified services, identify the most qualified contractor(s), and provide staff recommendations to the Board.

12. IRLNEP Staff Reports:
   a. Community Engagement Update (Kathy Hill)
   b. Information Technology and Data Science Update (KJ Ayres-Guerra)
   c. IRL Project Update (Daniel Kolodny)
   d. Executive Director Report (Duane De Freese)

   **Requested Action:** No motion is required. Information only.

13. IRL Council Member Reports

14. IRL Council – Next Meeting Announcement (IRL Council Chair)

   May 10, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Sebastian City Hall, Council Chambers, 1225 Main Street, Sebastian, FL 32958.

15. Adjourn
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