

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

May 18, 2023

PRESENT: Brown, Caron, Patinkin and Serota (4)
ABSENT: Cohen (1)

Staff: Executive Director Jeff Harvey and Former Executive Director Jeff Nehila

The Board of Park Commissioners entered Closed Session for the purpose of the discussion of the possible purchase or lease of real estate in accordance with Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act at 8:00 p.m.

The Board was updated by former Executive Director Nehila on recent developments associated with The Bridge's initial offer to donate a recreational park to the Park District contingent upon them receiving the proper zoning requirements and annexation into Deerfield proper. This remains a Village decision at this time. If the Village were to move forward with the aforementioned transaction, the donation would be brought before the Park District for consideration. There remains significant public opposition to The Bridge's Baxter development. Staff will continue to update the Board as developments unfold between The Bridge and the Village. It was further agreed that staff continue their discussions with the Bridge and obtain a formal draft of the proposed park donation agreement.

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Serota moved, and Treasurer Patinkin seconded a motion to adjourn Closed Session and reconvene to Open Session at 8:34 p.m. Roll call vote **carried** as follows:

AYES: Brown, Caron, Patinkin and Serota (4)
NAYS: None (0)
ABSENT: Cohen (1)

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeff Harvey, Secretary