



Town of Cutler Bay

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Memorandum

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

From: Sue Ellen Loyzelle, Vice Mayor

Date: December 12, 2018

Re: Rescinding Town Resolution No. 17-82
Authorizing the Town Manager to Issue a Purchase Order to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the Final Town Center Plaza Construction Plans and Design Service.

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 17-82 AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE FINAL TOWN CENTER PLAZA CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND DESIGN SERVICES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

On September 27, 2017, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 17-82 authorizing the Town Manager to issue an additional Purchase Order of \$998,530.00 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the Final Town Center Plaza Construction Plans and Design Services. Please join me in voting to rescind Resolution No. 17-82 (*Attachment "A"*) for the following reasons:

- There is an extremely high cost of \$998,530.00 for construction documents for this project based on a nearly 14-million-dollar construction cost estimate. This does not include the estimated construction

costs for the Town Center Building Main Entry Plaza.

- There is not enough public support for this project as only twelve (12) unduplicated people (not all residents) attended the public meetings for input where no cost estimates were provided for this project (*Attachment “B”*).
- The proposed Town Center Plaza with outdoor amphitheater sits directly across the street (0.08 miles) from an existing Cultural Arts Center that already provides indoor and outdoor concerts and other cultural events for the community.

The Town is currently exploring the feasibility of acquiring approximately 18-acres of land along Old Cutler Road to serve as a Municipal Complex and Open Space. This land will potentially serve as a better location for the future Town Center Plaza.

The mission of the Town is to “work to make Cutler Bay an excellent place to live, work and play. Cutler Bay’s government will be creative, responsive and respectful in providing innovative and cost-effective services to the community”. The Town is still recovering from Hurricane Irma, and the Council placed a high priority on providing residents with a new and improved Franjo Park during the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Hearings. The Franjo Park Restoration Project is a better use of our residents’ tax dollars, and I feel that spending \$998,530 on construction and design plans for a park that has not gained complete buy-in from residents as evidenced by low public involvement is not cost effective.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 17-82, authorizing the Town Manager to issue an additional Purchase Order of \$998,530.00 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the Final Town Center Plaza Construction Plans and Design Services.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment “A” - Town Resolution No. 17-82
- Attachment “B” - Town Center Plaza Public Workshop Sign-in Sheets
(*May 31, 2016, June 28, 2016, July 26, 2016, August 30, 2016, and October 22, 2016*)