## MINUTES OF MEETING

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

## THE GROVES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The workshop meeting of the Board of Supervisors of The Groves Community Development District was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at The Groves Civic Center, located at 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O' Lakes, FL 33637.

## Present and constituting a quorum:

Bill Boutin	Board Supervisor, Chairman
Richard Loar	Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman
Jimmy Allison	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
Christina Cunningham	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
James Nearev	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary

## Also present were:

Gregory Cox	District Manager, Rizzetta & Co, Inc.
Kellie Sprague	Admin Assistant
Stephen Brletic	JMT Engineering

#### Audience: Present

## FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. Greg Cox called the meeting to order and performed roll call, confirming that all Board members and requested staff members were present.

Call to Order

#### SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS Pledge of Allegiance

All present at the workshop joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Audience Comments** THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Board received audience comments from those present. Comments from the audience included concern about how project management was performed by the Board; the type of flooring being considered for the restaurant (carpet vs. vinyl); the need for new pool furniture; the need to change management service; the concern that the Operations Manager was not present at the workshop; the interest in having the

Operations Manager brought back to the community; a request to have the dog park

better maintained; the need for bridges and fishing pier maintenance. FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Review and Planning for CDD Projects

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The Board received a presentation from Mr. Ken Martin, with Martin Aquatic Design & Engineering, regarding the Pool/Spa Project Assessment Report/Observation report his company had prepared following their November 2, 2021 inspection and assessment they had conducted for The Groves CDD.

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Mr. Martin addressed questions from the Board regarding the facility deficiencies noted in the report and provided an "Early Opinion of Costs" for the project. He noted that some of the deficiencies were ones that could be resolved now while others would be resolved through the renovation project.

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Mr. Martin provided a brief explanation of how the scope of work would be developed to identify work requirements and equipment needed per the design drawings his company would develop.

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There was a discussion regarding the possible redesign of the equipment enclosure area; identification of gas line locations; and the need for a survey to a conducted.

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Mr. Martin discussed the process for the Requests for Proposals (RFP) that his company would prepare for the project and how the Board would be involved with developing the weighting of the criteria used in the RFP to score the proposals. Mr. Martin indicated that his research has revealed that the order-to-receive time for needed components is currently in an acceptable range and that he would hope to have as many as seven qualified bidders on the project. He noted that the RFP contractor selection process alone would encompass several months' time and that equipment needed could be ordered ahead the actual contractor selection.

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Mr. Martin presented a Pool & Spa Engineering Additional Services proposal and addressed questions from the Board regarding its content. Mr. Cox noted that the proposal would be included in the agenda for the February 1, 2022, CDD Board meeting for consideration.

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The Board participated in a telephone conference call with Mr. Mark Ballenger, with Ballenger Irrigation, regarding his on-going work to help the Board assess the current irrigation system supporting the District, HOA and golf course. Mr. Ballenger explained that an initial meeting with members of the CDD staff, CDD Board, District Engineer and landscape and irrigation contractor, had been held. He noted that during the meeting, information was identified that needed to be researched / obtained for him to proceed on to the assessment. He explained that the completed assessment would then provide the Board with information and options for a renovation or replacement of the current irrigation system that was aging to the point that it was reaching its life expectancy.

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Mr. Cox provided the Board with a revised Project Planning list that had been recently updated and requested that the Board provide any updates to the list they felt were needed.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests and Audience Comments

During Supervisor Requests, there was an open discussion among Board members regarding handling of the Operations Manager situation by Rizzetta & Company and Board members and treatment of the staff.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

The workshop was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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