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## **City Commission Information Letter**

## March 29, 2024

## General Obligations Bonds Credit Ratings Process

As the City of Delray Beach is currently working to prepare financial transactions necessary to implement projects connected with the March 2023 General Obligations Bond referenda (various parks and public safety facility capital improvements), please be advised that both the Office of the City Manager and that of Chief Financial Officer Hugh Dunkley are currently engaged in discussions with representatives of both Moody's Investors Service and S&P Global Ratings to perform individual reviews of the City's overall credit profile.

This process will likewise help to facilitate the eventual sale of municipal bonds as noted to the investment community. We therefore hope that our efforts to this effect will yield a rating that will ultimately reduce the City's borrowing costs to the greatest extent possible.

With the City of Delray Beach expecting to receive ratings from both firms sometime next week, all involved administratively remain very anxious and excited for what should prove to be a favorable outcome.

## Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Community Project Funding Outcomes for Delray Beach

The Office of the City Manager is pleased to report that our organization recently became successful in securing federal grant funding awards for various ancillary projects, programs, and initiatives to benefit our community.

As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Assistant City Manager Jeff Oris, outcomes to this effect involve nearly \$2 million for various public safety and utilities related support. This specifically includes \$959,757 from the Environmental Protection Agency to assist our efforts to implement additional water system improvements, as well as another \$963,000 from the

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United States Department of Justice for ancillary police equipment and technology upgrades.

With both Congress and the Office of the President having approved all commitments noted (as a function of the Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Budget), necessary agreements and related transactions will soon be executed. Meanwhile, as we're extremely appreciative of the City's federal legislative delegation for their assistance and support as outlined (including Congresswoman Lois Frankel, Senator Marco Rubio, and Senator Rick Scott), letters of appreciation were delivered individually earlier this week.

## Considerations Regarding Mausoleum Expansion at Delray Beach Municipal Cemetery

Although the City's current capital improvement program includes a commitment to build additional mausoleum facilities at the Delray Beach Municipal Cemetery via financial support from the Perpetual Care Fund (one of two funds that support the Delray Beach Municipal Cemetery, the other being for operations purposes), please be advised that considerations are being proposed to advance General Fund resources to finance initial expansion activities accordingly.

As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Chief Financial Officer Hugh Dunkley, this arrangement will enable the City of Delray Beach to direct construction of additional mausoleum units during the current fiscal year. The Perpetual Care Fund will likewise repay the General Fund over a fixed period annually until such time that the advance is paid in full.

Recommendations for City Commission review and consideration, to include a resolution to govern respective transaction structures, will therefore be offered during the April 16<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

## Engagements to Consider Follow-Up Direction Regarding Resolution No. 146 (1935)

In response to guidance offered during the March 5<sup>th</sup> City Commission regular meeting concerning the 1935 resolution that was adopted by the City of Delray

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Beach to racially restrict settlement areas of the community, please be advised that leadership of the Department of Development Services is now working with advocates to help ultimately determine effective community outreach strategies.

As referenced in the attached electronic mail message from Director of Development Services Anthea Gianniotes, direction to this effect includes engagement with the Frog Alley Steering Committee as an initial path forward to structure recommendations accordingly.

With the next Frog Alley Steering Committee meeting scheduled to take place Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, all involved are looking forward to offering ancillary outreach efforts for review and consideration in the coming weeks. Once this has been accomplished, the City Commission will be apprised as noted.

### Calendar of Meetings, Activities, and Functions

During the past few days, City Attorney Lynn Gelin and I hosted individual meetings with each new elected official for purposes of not only formally welcoming them to the City of Delray Beach, but to also provide an initial sense of orientation relative to the current state of affairs concerning projects, programs, operations, and other priorities. Updates to this effect should likewise serve all involved quite well relative to future policy direction, as well as to achieve a collaborative working relationship as noted.

Enclosures:

Electronic Mail Message from Jeff Oris – FY24 Community Project Funding is a Done Deal! Thank You Letters to Federal Legislative Delegation Electronic Mail Message from Hugh Dunkley – Status of Cemetery Funds Electronic Mail Message from Anthea Gianniotes – Res. No. 146 (1935) Calendar for Business Week of March 25, 2024

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### **Terrence R. Moore**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Oris, Jeff Monday, March 11, 2024 11:20 AM Terrence R. Moore FW: FY24 Community Project Funding is a Done Deal!

Terrence,

The President has signed the spending bills that fund almost \$2 million in grants to Delray Beach. See the below email from Michael Willis of The Color Nine Group for more information.

Jeff Oris, CEcD Assistant City Manager City of Delray Beach 100 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Delray Beach, Florida 33444 561-243-7144 – office 561-696-4114 - mobile orisj@mydelraybeach.com



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From: michael.willis thecolorninegroup.com <michael.willis@thecolorninegroup.com>

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 8:37 AM

To: Oris, Jeff < OrisJ@mydelraybeach.com>

**Cc:** jayla.dininny thecolorninegroup.com <jayla.dininny@thecolorninegroup.com>; chris.whaling thecolorninegroup.com <chris.whaling@thecolorninegroup.com>; stephanie.willis thecolorninegroup.com

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Subject: FY24 Community Project Funding is a Done Deal!

### \*\*Please be cautious\*\*

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Dear Jeff,

I hope this message finds you in good spirits and rested following the weekend. I'm pleased to share some exciting news with you today that marks a significant milestone in our collaborative journey over the past year. The FY24 federal funding measures have been successfully approved by Congress and signed into law, securing over \$1.9 million for the City of Delray Beach.

Here are the specifics of the City of Delray Beach FY24 Funded Federal Priorities that we've successfully championed:

- Environmental Protection Agency: STAG—City of Delray Beach for Water System Improvements: \$959,757
- **Department of Justice: COPS Technology**—Delray Beach Police Department, Delray Beach for Police Equipment and Technology Upgrades: \$963,000

It's a moment to celebrate, acknowledging the complex legislative process we navigated together, which, while often unpredictable, has culminated in this tremendous victory for the city. This success underscores the importance of our collaboration and the impactful work we're doing for Delray Beach.

The House Appropriations Committee is already focusing on the FY25 Appropriations measures, planning to shift gears to this next chapter immediately following the President's annual budget request, expected this week. I am eager to continue our fruitful partnership as we approach the new funding cycle.

Thank you once again for your trust, support, and collaboration throughout this journey. Your dedication has been a cornerstone of our success, and I am excited about what we can accomplish together in the future. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or require additional information.

Warmest regards,

Michael

From: michael.willis thecolorninegroup.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 6:16 PM
To: Oris, Jeff <<u>OrisJ@mydelraybeach.com</u>>
Cc: jayla.dininny thecolorninegroup.com <<u>jayla.dininny@thecolorninegroup.com</u>>; chris.whaling thecolorninegroup.com
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Subject: FY24 Community Project Funding is Almost a Done Deal!

Dear Jeff,

I hope this message finds you well and that you're having a great week so far. I am pleased to share some promising news regarding our collective efforts over the past year. The recent finalization of the FY24 federal funding measures has earmarked more than \$1.9 million for the City of Delray Beach. While the bills are pending a vote in both the House and Senate, and subsequently require the President's signature, the prevailing sentiment is optimistic. We anticipate that these steps will be completed by the end of the week.

### The City of Delray Beach FY24 Funded Federal Priorities:

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It's important to acknowledge that the legislative process can be unpredictable, and there's always a possibility for unexpected developments on the House floor. However, the current confidence level in the passage of this measure is high, largely because an election year tends to dissuade the likelihood of a government shutdown.

I want to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to collaborate closely with you and your team over the last year. Our joint efforts to secure funding for critical projects in Delray Beach are a testament to our dedication and hard work.

Looking ahead, the House Appropriations Committee is already setting its sights on the FY25 Appropriations measures. They aim to pivot to this next phase immediately after the President releases his annual budget request, which is expected on March 11th. This forward momentum is encouraging, and I look forward to our continued partnership as we navigate the upcoming funding cycle.

Thank you once again for your trust and collaboration. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need further information.

Warm regards,

Michael

Michael D. Willis President Color Nine Group, LLC (202) 545-0139



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March 25, 2024

The Honorable Lois Frankel 2305 Rayburn House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Frankel,

On behalf of the City of Delray Beach, I extend our deepest gratitude for your instrumental role in securing nearly \$2 million in the FY24 federal spending measures that will significantly enhance both our Policing Equipment and Technology Upgrades and our Water Systems Improvement projects.

Your support enables the expansion of our Real Time Crime Center (RTCC), focusing on improving License Plate Reader (LPR) and Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) capabilities within the city. These advancements will not only elevate public safety by enabling more efficient and effective crime investigation but also enhance officer safety through improved situational awareness.

Additionally, we are deeply appreciative of the funding dedicated to vital improvements in our water infrastructure. The introduction of cutting-edge electrical equipment, variable speed pumps, and advanced monitoring and control systems marks a significant leap forward. These enhancements will ensure the continuous provision of safe water, bolster our resilience against emergencies and hurricanes, and support our water conservation efforts by optimizing distribution pressures according to current needs. This project is crucial for the health and safety of our residents, underscoring our commitment to sustainability and preparedness.

We thank you again for your leadership and steadfast support on these critical issues. Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (561) 243-7015 or moore@mydelraybeach.com.

Sincerely,

Terrence R. Moore, ICMA-CM City Manager

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March 25, 2024

The Honorable Marco Rubio 284 Russell Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Rubio,

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March 25, 2024

The Honorable Rick Scott 716 Hart Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20515

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### **Terrence R. Moore**

From:
Sent:
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Subject:

Dunkley, Hugh Thursday, March 28, 2024 11:13 PM Terrence R. Moore Status of Cemetery Funds

Terrence -

The Cemetery Fund is currently in need of additional funds to facilitate the construction of the mausoleum at the Delray Beach Municipal Cemetery. Generally accepted accounting principles permit the City to transfer monies between certain accounting funds in the form of either loans or contributions.

The total amount to be advanced to the Cemetery Fund will be approximately \$1,700,000. Considering the amount of the advance and the annual revenue that is generated by the Cemetery Fund, it is recommended that the loan be repaid over a period of years, including interest. It is expected that the Cemetery Fund will generate sufficient revenues to make principal and interest payments over the life of the loan. It is also expected that this loan will not have a material adverse effect on the General Fund's financial position.



Hugh B. Dunkley, CPA, CPFO, CGFO Chief Financial Officer City of Delray Beach 100 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33444 (561) 243-6204 DunkleyH@mydelraybeach.com

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### **Terrence R. Moore**

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Gianniotes, Anthea Thursday, March 28, 2024 11:43 AM Terrence R. Moore; Oris, Jeff Hoyland, Michelle; Carter, Gina Res. No. 146 (1935)

Mr. Moore,

In advance of our meeting this afternoon, here is an update on the Frog Alley Historic Resource effort and Res. No. 146-1935.

After considering the public comment offered at the March 5<sup>th</sup> City Commission meeting, Staff is directed to work with the community to determine the next steps relating to the history of segregation practices in Delray Beach, including Resolution No. 146 from 1935, as well as other ordinances relating to policing districts, etc. The resolution came to light as part of the Frog Alley Historic Resource Survey research. Staff is scheduling a meeting with the Frog Alley Steering Committee to continue work on the resource survey and determine the most effective public outreach strategies relating to the resolution and ordinances. The steering committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 2nd.

### Anthea Gianniotes, AICP





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## March 25, 2024 -March 31, 2024

### Monday, March 25

12:00am D. D'Andrea - Out
12:00am J. Stacy - Out
2:30am - 8:30am Begin CIL (CM Office )
8:00am - 8:30am Meeting to Discuss Various Items Relating to Shrub Removal (CM Conference) - Terrence R. Moore
10:00am - 10:30am Congresswoman Frankel Visiting the RTCC
10:00am - 10:30am Update Organizational Meeting Agenda (CM
10:30am - 10:50am Accept Results of the 3/19/2024 Election
10:30am - 11:00am March 25th Commission Meeting (Microsoft
11:00am - 11:30am Introductory Meeting with RENCO
11:30am - 12:30pm TTU (CM Office)
2:00pm - 2:30pm Discussion Regarding Harvey Kimmel, Speed
3:00pm - 4:00pm Commissioner Burns mtg w/CM Moore Re:
4:00pm - 5:30pm Begin Marie Catalano Annual Performance

### Wednesday, March 27

7:30am - 8:30am Kiwanis Club of D (2200 Highland Ave, Delray Beach, FL	
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8:30am - 9:00am Sam Metott Bi-We	eekly Meeting (Office of the City
9:00am - 11:00am Executive Leader	ship Team Meeting (Conference
9:00am - 10:00am Agenda Review I	Meeting (April 9th CC Meeting)
9:00am - 9:30am Executive Leaders	hip Team Meeting/Agenda
9:00am - 9:30am Sam Metott Bi-We	ekly Meeting (CM Office) -
11:30am - 1:00pm PBC League of C	ities General Membership
12:30pm - 2:00pm Complaint/Inves	tigation (City Attorney
2:00pm - 2:30pm Jay Stacy Bi-Weel	dy Meeting (City Manager
2:30pm - 3:30pm Compile Informat	ion Letter Report - Federal
3:30pm - 4:30pm New Elected Offic	ial Individual Orientation

### Friday, March 29

J. Oris - Out (1/2 day)	10:00am - 11:00a
K. Edwards - Out	11:30am - 1:30pr
P. Cadeaux - Out	
7:30am - 9:00am Finalize CIL (CM Office) 🕀	
10:00am - 11:00am Follow-Up Discussion Regarding Thomas Street Pump Station (CM Conference) - Terrence R. Moore	
11:00am - 12:30pm Various (Various)	
2:30pm - 3:30pm Follow-Up Direction Concerning National Golf Foundation Guidance and Involvement (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore	Sunday, Marc
5:00pm - 6:00pm Process A&M Graduation Travel (CM Office)	

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### Tuesday, March 26 12:00am D. D'Andrea - Out - 12:00am J. Stacy - Out 7:30am - 8:30am Compile March 27, 2024 ELT Meeting Agenda (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore 9:00am - 10:00am New Elected Official Individual Orientation Involving the City Manager and City Attorney (CM Office) - Terrence 10:00am - 10:30am Biweekly Meeting Gina Carter (CM Office) -Terrence R. Moore 🕀 11:00am - 12:00pm Funding Considerations to Support Mausoleum Project (CM Office) - Terrence R. Moore 11:30am - 12:30pm Compile Information Letter Report -**Considerations Regarding Mausoleum Expansion at Delray Beach** 2:00pm - 3:00pm City of Delray Beach -- GO Bonds - Moody's 3:00pm - 4:00pm New Elected Official Individual Orientation 4:00pm - 5:00pm City of Delray Beach -- GO Bonds - S&P Rating

### Thursday, March 28

8:00am - 9:00am Compile and Deliver (		8:00am - 9:00am	Compile and D	Deliver (CM	Office)
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- 9:00am 10:00am Compile Information Letter Report General Obligation Bonds Credit Rating Process (CM Office) - Terrence R.
- 10:00am 10:30am Sammie Walthour Bi-weekly Meeting with ACM Jeff Oris (City Manager's Offce) - Walthour, Sammie 🕀
- 11:30am 12:00pm JANAI BOWENS BI-WEEKLY MEETING (CM OFFICE) - Oris, Jeff ↔
- 2:00pm 3:00pm Compile Information Letter Report Workshop Meeting Commitment to Support Direction Concerning Resolution
- 2:00pm 2:30pm Katerri Johnson Bi-Weekly Meeting (Office of the City Manager) - Vega, Brenda 🕀
- 3:00pm 4:30pm Various (Various) ↔
- 4:00pm 7:00pm Organizational Meeting and Swearing-in/ Regular Meeting (Commission Chambers)
- 4:00pm 6:00pm March 28th Commission Meeting Viewing of

### Saturday, March 30

10:00am - 11:00am Delray Beach Tennis Center	(Hard Court #1) 🕀
11:30am - 1:30pm Various, CIL Notes, etc. (CM	Office) ↔

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