



Interoffice Memorandum

September 21, 2018

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs
-AND-
Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: October 2, 2018 – Public Hearing
Request from City of Belle Isle to Purchase Land Owned by the
State of Florida

The applicant, the City of Belle Isle (City), requests that the Board, sitting as the governing authority of the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District (LCWNCD), recommend to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida that they approve the City's request to acquire the parcel described in Exhibit "A" of this memorandum. The property consists of 0.16 acre of sovereignty submerged land, which is now dry, located on the westernmost end of Cross Lake Road on Lake Conway in Section 18, Township 23 South, Range 30 East in District 3.

The parcel is undeveloped and has functioned as a City park for the past thirty years. The City as the upland property owner wishes to acquire ownership of the land to enable enforcement of City rules and regulations on said property. During the August 14, 2018 meeting of the LCWNCD Advisory Board, the Mayor of the City of Belle Isle, Lydia Pisano, indicated that the City's intent is to keep the land as green space and as a public park, and there would be no boat docks or boat ramps built on the property.

Chapter 33, Article II, Sec. 33-41(b), of the Orange County Code states ".....the said governing authority of the district shall consider what recommendations it will submit to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida. All of the proponents and opponents of the sale of said land shall be heard by the said governing authority at said public hearing and the said governing authority shall then determine its recommendations, which recommendations it shall immediately cause to be submitted in writing to the trustees of the internal improvement fund."

During their August 14, 2018 meeting, the LCWNCD Advisory Board voted unanimously for a motion indicating that they have no objection to the City purchasing the property. Notification of the public hearing was sent to the property owners within 500 feet of the project site. There has been no enforcement action taken by EPD on the subject property.

ACTION REQUESTED: **Recommend to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida that they approve the City of Belle Isle's request to purchase the subject parcel. District 3**

JVW/DJ: mg
Attachment