Virginia Key Beach Park Trust

Planning & Construction Committee and Nature & Environment Committee Joint Meeting

Talking Points for the May 7, 2007 Board Meeting

The Planning and Construction Committee met Wednesday, May 2, 2007

The committee agenda was dominated by the review and evaluation of proposals responding to the Trust's RFP #29-01-07-01 Land Clearing and Selective Exotic Vegetation Removal Services.

The committee had in-depth and vigorous discussion and elected that individual proposer interviews would be extremely helpful in making a final decision. Staff has moved forward in scheduling those interviews for next week. The responding proposers are being notified and the involved Trustees on the Selection Committee will be notified also.

There was limited discussion on high level issues concerning the 2007-2008 budget; the Committee Chair requested a better overall summary and comparison of our current fiscal year's operations budget and proposals for the new budget year; this information will be forthcoming.

The committee determined that the creation of a "working group" could best handle several self sufficiency and retail related issues and opportunities, related to but not limited to food vendors, entrance fee, fee for attractions, clothing and promotional items, events, rental spaces, etc. Much of the group's discussion requires in-depth planning and analysis, the committee determined that the working group may be better served with a variety of Trustees and members.

The next Planning and Construction (Selection Committee Interview) Meeting is next week To Be Announced.