

Virginia Key Beach Park Trust

Planning & Construction Committee

Talking Points for the July 10, 2006 Board Meeting

- The Planning and Construction committee met June 19, 2006 – 6:05pm.
- The committee discussed construction project updates centering on the status of the Parking Lot and Circulation Road Improvement Project. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection approved the Environmental Resource Permit submitted by Metric Engineering for the Parking Lot Project. The City of Miami issued CW Construction the Notice-To-Proceed Wednesday, June 28th following a meeting between CW Construction, the City of Miami and Trust staff (**see the notice in your board packet**). Physical construction on-site would follow around mid-July (**see the current construction timeline in your board packet**). The entire parking lot construction project will take approximately 8 months to complete.
- Staff is continuing to prepare for the delivery of the Mini-Train. It is envisioned at this time that the Train will be delivered to a South Florida directly to the beach park unloaded and stored in the carousel building until a specialty paint shop matches the original color scheme of the train to the historic version and completes the paint job on-site in the carousel building. Following the painting of the train it is likely it will remain stored on the park property until its moved onto the mini-train track on Virginia Key Beach Park.
- Trust staff and the City of Miami procurement section are moving forward with the RFQ process for the selection of a design firm for the museum on Virginia Key Beach Park (**see the A/E services RFQ selection schedule in your board packet**). The RFQ was issue and available to the public June 14th, site visits were made by interested firms June 28th and the initial due date is July 14th.
- The recommendation to add “historic” before Virginia Key Beach Park to change the official name of the park to **Historic Virginia Key Beach Park** will go before the City Commission July 6th – Trust staff, lead by recommendations from media and marketing, will begin to use the new name appropriately.