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MEMO

TO: Mayor Barber and Board of Commissioners

FROM: Matt Zapp, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Comments from Town Manager

DATE: January 6, 2020

Hurricane Dorian-

On December 16, 2019, the Public Works Department completed the Hurricane Dorian related vegetative debris collection. As a result, the Finance Department is working on final details with FEMA to receive grant funding of approximately \$275,000 to offset Hurricane Dorian efforts. We will work to keep the Board apprised of the progress with FEMA.

Islander Drive- Redevelopment

Emerald Isle staff continues to work closely with ARK Consulting, A-Team and CCEC on the upcoming Village West and the Islander Drive improvements.

BID PROCESS- ARK Consulting released a bid announcement on Friday January 3, 2020 for associated public roadway work. A pre-bid conference is slated for January 9th @ 2:00 PM. Sealed bids are due by Monday January 27th @ 2:00 PM. Following receipt of the bids, staff will bring the lowest and best bid forward for consideration by the BOC. A Special Meeting may be necessary to award a contract, as the roadway portion of this project is time sensitive. If possible, we desire to complete Islander Drive road work by April 2020.

Western Ocean Regional Access Improvements

In an effort to complete the desired work at the WORA, town staff will bid and complete this project independent of the Islander Drive roadway work. In order for Alesia Sanderson to bid the proposed sidewalk/boardwalk installation, an easement with the Islander Hotel is needed. A surveyed drawing and associated easement are being developed now. Upon completion, the necessary approvals will be brought before the BOC for approval.

Grant funds associated with this project must be utilized before June 30, 2020. It is expected that construction will take place before the peak of the Summer 2020 season.

Beach Nourishment

Permits for this year's project are in hand and engineers are prepared to provide the "Notice to Proceed" to the Contractor. A pre-construction conference is scheduled for the 8th of January. GLDD intends to mobilize submerged pipeline (this will take place inside Morehead City Harbor) sometime during the week of the 13th of January.

LOCAL IMPACT- Expect to see construction in Emerald Isle late March and into April 2020.

COMMUNICATIONS- Emerald Isle staff will provide communications to the public, following the pre-construction conference. As progress nears our jurisdiction, communications will become more frequent.

End of Report