

Joseph M. Centorino, Inspector General

January 7, 2022

TO:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Joseph Centorino, Inspector General

RE:

Inspector General G.O. Bond Quarterly Report

OIG No. 21-46

INTRODUCTION

This report is written in compliance with Section 2-256(j) of the City of Miami Beach Code, which requires the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), on a quarterly basis, to prepare and submit to the City Commission a written report concerning the planning and execution of the General Obligation Bond Program, including, but not limited to, progress reports, financial analysis and potential risks. The review is based on official city records, OIG attendance at implementation and oversight committee meetings, interviews with staff and other department personnel as well as regular discussions with the Program Director. This report is intended to provide the Mayor, City Commission and the general public with useful information and periodic evaluations regarding the implementation of the G.O. Bond projects to date.

The OIG notes that the Oversight Committee only met once this quarter. Meetings are now held every other month. Similarly, there were fewer internal implementation meetings due to conflicts with the Commission meeting schedule.

UPDATE:

The OIG report last quarter showed that spending trends had slowed. The Administration has explained that the reasons for the slowdown in spending include supply chain disruptions, cost escalations for goods, labor and transportation, worker shortages, the inability to commit to delivery schedules and regulatory delays. Between the September Oversight Committee meeting and the November meeting, the City spent an additional \$2 million for a total of \$42 million spent to date.

This quarter, the Program Director reported to the Oversight Committee that the Administration had spent several months analyzing the G.O. Bond program. The results of the analysis were presented as both cumulative and monthly expenditures within each G.O. Bond category and informed the Committee on the likelihood of meeting the 85% minimum spending threshold for Tranche 1 projects. Meeting this threshold is critical to the G.O. Bond as it will allow the City to

return to the bond market for money to fund Tranche 2. (The charts are attached to this report as an exhibit.)

The Program Director also provided the Oversight Committee with a detailed explanation of the critical targets within each category that are necessary for the projects to remain on schedule. The analysis identified 21 critical targets with two or three milestones that must be met for the program to meet its current goals. If the milestones are met, the three bond categories will be ready for additional funding as follows:

- 1. Bond Category-Fall 2023
- 2. Infrastructure Bond Category-Spring 2023
- 3. Public Safety category- Summer 2023

The Program Director has stated that if the goals are reached, approximately 15 of 57 G.O. Bond projects, as well as dozens of subprojects, could be completed by the end of Tranche 1.

However, the supply chain disruptions, worker shortages, inability to commit to delivery schedules and regulatory delays could affect the assumptions being made. The Oversight Committee explored the consequences of failing to meet the critical targets. The Program Director asserted that it is unlikely the City will not meet the 85% threshold even in the face of the above challenges. She explained that if projects are moving too slowly, others can be advanced. The Committee requested that the Program Director present the critical paths of the 21 projects identified so that it can keep track of the milestones and inform its decision making if other projects need to be advanced.

To date, there has been a total savings of \$3,233,639. Any proposed use of savings will be presented to the Oversight Committee for it to present a motion to the Commission for disposition of the funds.

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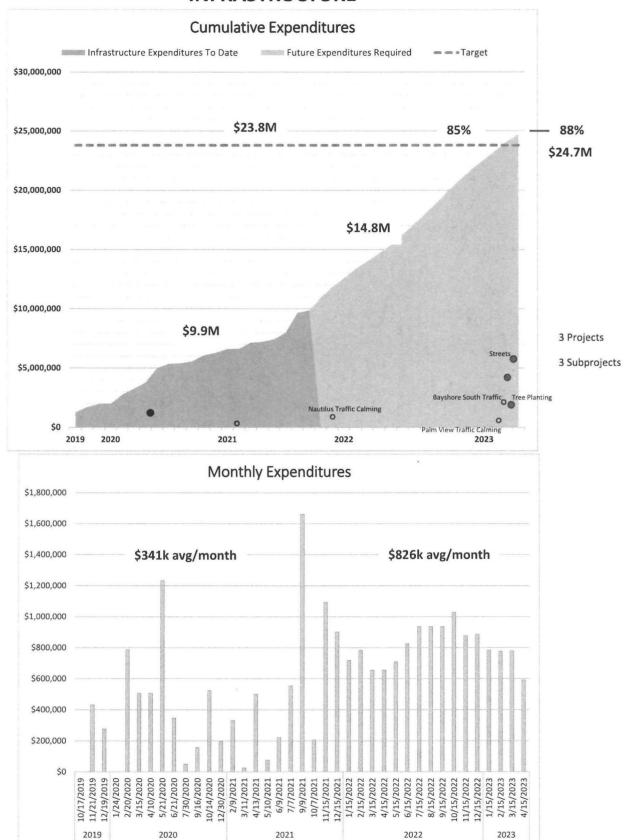
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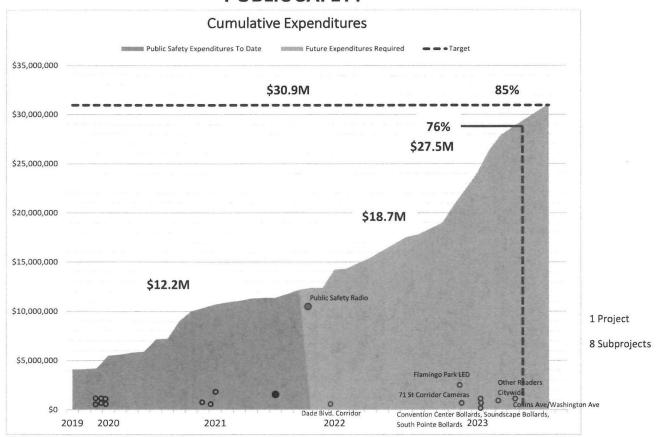
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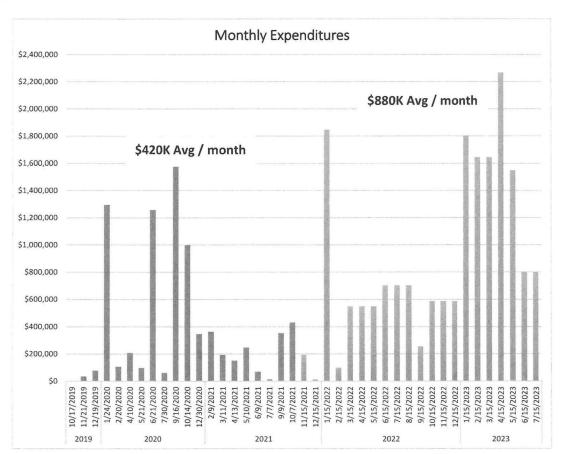


EXHIBIT E

GOB Project Funds Transfer & Scope Change - REVISED Protocols

Type of Change Recommendation* **Next Action* Final Action Final Approval** Examples / Notes Item Example 1: Fillmore Roof Savings to Ballet Roof Transfer of Funds between sub-projects within the same Project and Tranche Administrative Administrative Adminstrative Administrative Example 2: Scott Rakow Roof Savings for Pool Change Order Transfer of Scope between Tranches within the same Project Using Savings - No GOB Committee or Motion or Advise 2 Letter to Commission Administrative Example: Scott Rakow Roof for T2 Rakow Flooring **Funding Transfers** Administrative Movement of an Earlier Tranche 1 Project to a Future Tranche (No Funding Change GOB Committee or Commission Memo or Commission or Moving any Tranch 1 Project to a future Tranche Motion or Advise 3 Letter to Commision to Tranche 1) Administrative Administrative Example: North Shore Parks & Fields GOB Committee or 4 Scope Swapping of Sub-Projects to different Tranches with the Same Funding Motion or Advise Commission Memo Commission Example: PAL Building with Flamingo Park Administrative ransfer of Funds between different Projects within the same GOB Category and GOB Committee or Commission Memo / 5 Motion or Advise Commission Example: Police Radio System to Police Camera Projects Tranche** Administrative **Budget Amendment** Requires Savings in Order to Swap or Postponement of a Project Commission Memo / GOB Committee or Advancement of a Future Tranche Project to an Active Tranche*** Motion or Advise Commission 6 Example: Moving Skate Park from T3 to T1 using Budget from #13 Administrative **Budget Amendment** North Shore Park & Fields Funding Commission Memo / Adding of Scope and Funding for any Project with No GOB Funds used Advise Committee Commission Example: Fire Station 1 - Adding Code to the Project 7 Administrative **Budget Amendment** Commission Memo / Additional Funding Request Outside of GOB funds for any Project Advise Committee Commission Example: 72nd Street Aquatic Center, Bayshore Park 8 Administrative **Budget Amendment** Transfer of Savings or Funds for Projects to different GOB Category N/A N/A N/A Not allowed due to Referendum Questions GOB Committee or Commission Memo / Motion or Advise Example: Use of Parks Category Savings for Maurice Gibb Park Transfer of Savings to any Project to make up a Budget Shortfall Commission Administrative **Budget Amendment**

Notes:

^{*}Adminstration will use best efforts to bring item to GO Bond Committee. Future meeting timelines may make this difficult or impossible to achieve. The Committee will be notified of any changes made at the following scheduled Committee meeting.

^{**}GOB Categories are: Parks, Inftrastructure, and Public Safety.

^{***}Tranche Fund cannot be Exceeded.