



TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH AGENDA MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Town Commission Meeting

MEETING DATE May 23, 2023

SUBMITTED BY: Ingrid Allen, Town Planner, Building Department

SUBJECT: Discussion on Update to the 2013 Beach Restoration Feasibility Study.

SUMMARY:

At the November 1, 2022 Town Commission meeting, Ms. Nikki Stansfield, Chair of the Natural Resources Preservation Advisory Board (NRPAB), made a presentation to the Commission on the Board's Dune Management Informational Outreach efforts. *Note that at the September 21, 2021 Town Commission meeting, consensus from the Commission was to have the NRPAB conduct research on dune management & restoration (a planned project in the Town's 2020 Strategic Priorities Plan) and execute actions to educate homeowners.* Discussion among the Commission at the November 1, 2022 meeting included hiring a firm to evaluate all dunes in the Town. The Town Manager indicated that the 2013 Beach Restoration Feasibility Study was ten years old and due for an update. The 2013 study was completed by Coastal Planning & Engineering, LLC (a Shaw Group Company) a legacy company of Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC ("Aptim") which maintains all records of the 2013 study. Note that the 2013 study includes a dune restoration and enhancement component (see attached). Staff reached out to Aptim and requested a proposal to update the 2013 study. APTIM has provided staff the attached proposal.

ATTACHMENTS:

APTIM Beach Feasibility Study Update

2013 Beach Restoration Feasibility Study

RECOMMENDATION:

At the discretion of the Commission.