



The Town of Hilton Head Island Special Public Facilities Committee Meeting

September 17, 2010

Benjamin M. Racusin Council Chambers

2:00 p.m.

AGENDA

As a Courtesy to Others Please Turn Off All Cell Phones and Pagers during the Meeting

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Freedom of Information Act Compliance**
Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.
- 3. Committee Business**
 1. Approval of Minutes - None
- 4. Unfinished Business**
- 5. New Business**
 - Islanders Beach Park Public Parking Changes
- 6. Adjournment**

Please note that a quorum of Town Council may result if four (4) or more of Town Council members attend this meeting.



TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND

Community Development Department

TO:	Public Facilities
VIA:	Shawn Colin, AICP, Comprehensive Planning Manager
FROM:	Shea Farrar, Senior Planner
DATE	September 8, 2010
SUBJECT:	Islander's Beach Park Parking Changes

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Town Council approve a Resolution (see Exhibit "A") to establish a 'parking meter zone' within Islander's Beach Park in order to meter 25 public parking spaces and reserve the remaining 131 spaces for use by Island residents and property owners with beach passes.

SUMMARY

To become eligible for a beach renourishment grant for the Port Royal Beach Renourishment Project, the State has informed the Town that it must provide a minimum of 25 public spaces at Islander's Beach Park to use State funds. Metering these spaces would be consistent with other metered beach parks, such as Folly Field and Driessen, which requires the designation of a 'parking meter zone'. The remaining 131 spaces at Islander's Beach Park would still be reserved for the sole use of Island residents and property owners with beach passes. The 25 public spaces would also be available to beach pass holders on a first come first serve basis.

BACKGROUND

Earlier this year the State announced the availability of funds for beach renourishment grants. To qualify for the grant the renourishment project area must be categorized by the State as 'full and complete public access' based on certain amenities being available at the access location. The amount of public parking is one of these considerations.

The Town applied for approximately one million dollars through the grant to help fund the Port Royal Beach Renourishment Project; however, in reviewing the grant, the State determined that the Town did not qualify because the parking at Islander's Beach Park was restricted to Island residents and property owners with beach passes. In order to qualify, the Town would need to make a minimum of 25 public spaces available. Potential spaces have been identified on Exhibit "B"

The Town's Municipal Code requires that Town Council establish a 'parking meter zone' by resolution to install meters. Folly Field and Driessen were both established as such.

In addition, the Town's Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan would need to be updated if any parking change should take effect, which would follow this resolution if approved.

Exhibit "A"

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND ESTABLISHING A PARKING METER ZONE FOR PUBLIC PARKING AT ISLANDERS BEACH PARK AND RESERVING THE REMAINING SPACES FOR BEACH PASS PARKING .

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island has constructed beach parks for the convenience and enjoyment of all beach goers, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island has an established policy of reserving certain parking spaces for the use of residents or property owners within the town limits of Hilton Head Island; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island adopted Resolution No. 99-21 reserving 100 spaces for beach pass users at Islander's Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, additional parking spaces were constructed at Islander's Beach Park through the Town's Capital Improvements Program; and

WHEREAS, Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 90-12, also known as the Parking Ordinance, on May 7, 1990; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to establish a 'parking meter zone' within Islander's Beach Park in order to provide 25 metered spaces for the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Town intends to assess and enforce parking fees to recover operating and capital costs for these spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined that it wishes to reserve the remaining 131 spaces at Islander's Beach Park for beach pass users;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND IT IS ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY OF SAID COUNCIL that: Town Council hereby authorizes the establishment of a parking meter zone within Islander's Beach Park for the metering of 25 spaces for the general public and the reservation of 131 spaces for Town of Hilton Head Island residents and property owners with beach passes.

MOVED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2010.

Thomas D. Peebles, Mayor

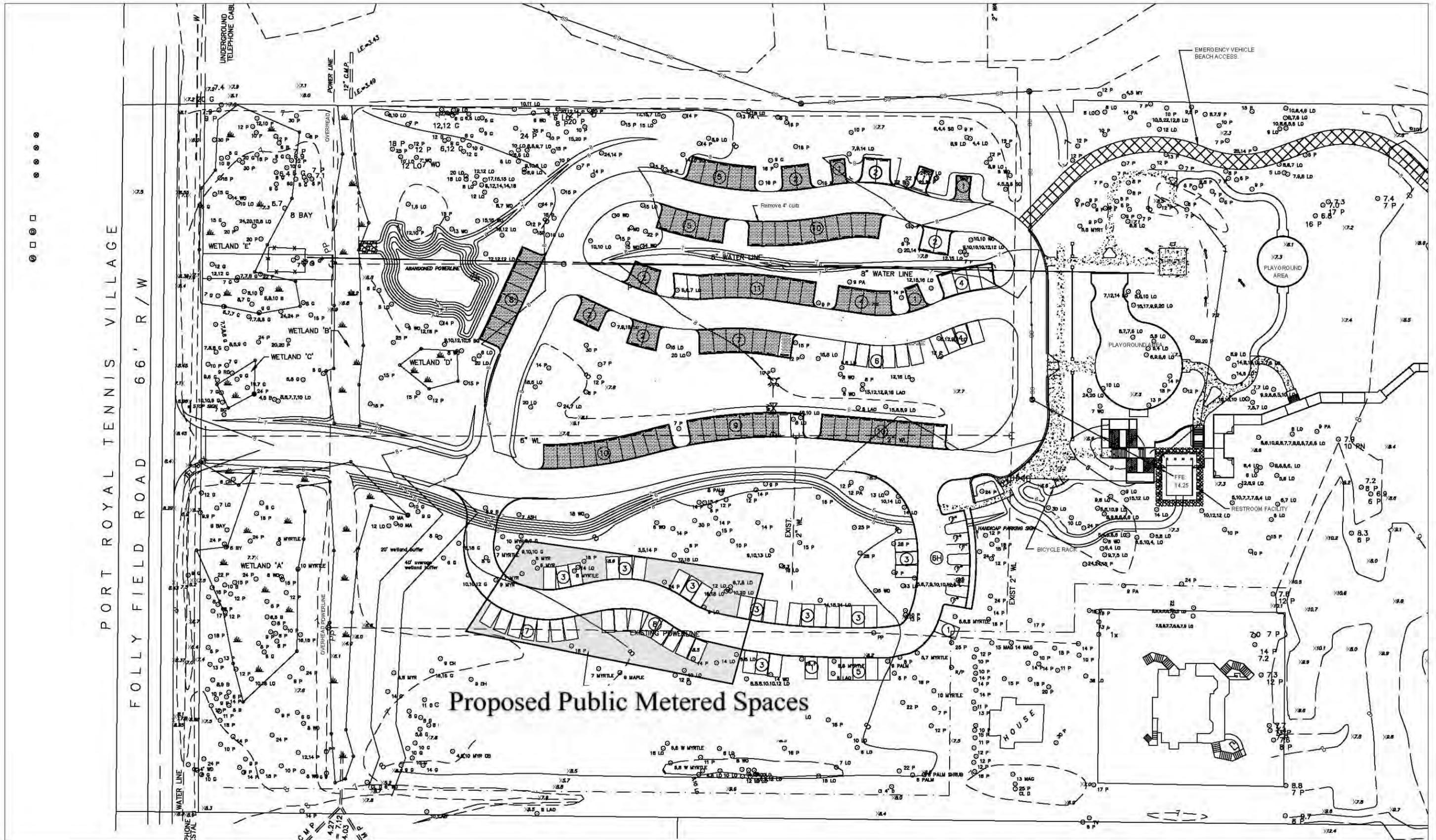
ATTEST:

Betsy Mosteller, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregory M. Alford, Town Attorney

Introduced by Council Member: _____



Proposed Public Metered Spaces

Islanders Beach Park
Exhibit "B"