From: Brenda Bethune
To: JPedersen@cityofmyrtlebeach.com
Cc: jimhubbard@ls3p.com; LClever@cityofmyrtlebeach.com
Subject: Re: [External]6/18 Meeting w Governor
Date: Saturday, June 6, 2020 3:56:06 PM

My vote is for Wednesday

Sent from my iPad

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On Jun 6, 2020, at 10:04 AM, John Pedersen <JPedersen@cityofmyrtlebeach.com> wrote:

Good morning to you all. I am currently a board member of the South Carolina Beach Advocates. Recently the Board sent a resolution to the Governor asking for some consideration in future planning if we have a second wave of Covid-19, or if there is a similar situation further down the road. This resolution requested that the Board have an audience with the Governor. Unfortunately this meeting has been scheduled for Thursday June 18. The same date that we are scheduled to meet with Council in small groups to review the advanced downtown plan.

I feel some obligation to go to this meeting, since I pushed this issue initially with the Board.

As far as the three of you go, would you be available to move the planned meeting with Council to either Wednesday June 17 or Friday June 19?

I apologize for throwing this kink into the plans that we've already made. Thank you.

John

John Pedersen

City Manager

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From: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 10:53 AM
To: Tim Goodwin (tgoodwin@cityoffollybeach.com) <tgoodwin@cityoffollybeach.com>; Marilyn Hatley <mayor@nmb.us>; John Pedersen <JPedersen@cityofmyrtlebeach.com>; "Jimmy Carroll" <jcarroll@iop.net>
Subject: [External]6/18 Meeting w Governor
Importance: High

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All,
The details of the meeting with the Governor are below. If you cannot attend, please let me know so that we may offer your spot to another board member. We will discuss an agenda for this After Action Review meeting during next week's board of directors call.
Nicole

From: Lemoine, Leigh <LLemoine@governor.sc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 6:35 PM
To: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Subject: RE: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Thank you, the meeting will be in the Governor's Office – Conference Room. The Governor's Office is located on the first floor of the State House, 1100 Gervais Street. The State House is currently not open to public visitors, but I will notify security to expect you, and they will admit you thru the public entrance on Sumter Street.

Our offices are located just past the staircase on the right.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Leigh

From: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 3:22 PM
To: Lemoine, Leigh <LLemoine@governor.sc.gov>
Subject: RE: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Thank you Leigh,
The attendees will be the following:

Tim Goodwin, Chair S.C. Beach Advocates, Mayor City of Folly Beach

Marilyn Hatley, Vice-Chair S.C. Beach Advocates, Mayor, City of N Myrtle Beach
Jimmy Carroll, Director, S.C. Beach Advocates, Mayor, City of Isle of Palms
John Pedersen, Director, S.C. Beach Advocates, Administrator, City of Myrtle Beach
Nicole Elko, Executive Director, S.C. Beach Advocates

Please provide the meeting location and any special instructions or protocols (early arrival, ID, etc.).
Nicole

From: Lemoine, Leigh <LLemoine@governor.sc.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 9:56 AM
To: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Subject: RE: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Hi Nicole. Let's plan on Thursday, June 18th at 2:00 PM. Please provide the names and titles of those representing the organization.

Thank you,
Leigh

From: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:17 AM
To: Lemoine, Leigh <LLemoine@governor.sc.gov>
Subject: RE: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Leigh,
Thank you for getting back to us. We are available to meet on June 11th or 18th at 2pm. There would be 4 people from our organization attending in person.
Please let me know which date you prefer.
Nicole

From: Lemoine, Leigh <LLemoine@governor.sc.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 9:55 PM
To: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Subject: FW: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Dear Ms. Elko,

Thank you and the South Carolina Beach Advocates for contacting Governor Mcmaster regarding scheduling a meeting. We would like to propose scheduling a time in June to meet. Would one of the following dates work?
Thursday, June 11th at 2:00 PM
Thursday, June 18th at 2:00 PM
Tuesday, June 23rd at 2:00 PM

Also, in an effort to limit the number of attendees for our conference room space, could we do 3-5 attendees on behalf of the organization if the meeting is to be held in person? I'm also happy to work with our team on a Webex meeting function if that's preferred.

Sincerely,
Leigh LeMoine

Leigh LeMoine
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Nicole Elko <exdir@scbeaches.org>
Date: May 21, 2020 at 7:47:48 AM EDT
To: "Walker, Trey" <TWalker@governor.sc.gov>
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Subject: [External] Resolution & Request to meet

Trey,
On behalf of the board of directors of the South Carolina Beach Advocates (cc-ed), please pass this correspondence on to the Governor. Thank you.

Dear Governor McMaster,
Please see our attached resolution expressing our interest in collaborating with you to evaluate reopening orders and economic revitalization strategies that are specific to our tourism-based economies. We would like to request an "after action review" meeting between your office and the state's coastal communities.

We see this as an opportunity to discuss potential improvements for future efforts, not to cast blame or criticize. We hope to discuss the COVID-19 timeline, what went well, what may have been handled differently, elements of reopening that are specific to tourism-based economies, and potential improvements for the future.

We are requesting this type of after-evaluation now to both discuss our present concerns, but also so that protocols might be tweaked before the possible uptick in COVID 19 cases that is predicted for the fall season. We are doing all we can at the local level to reopen with caution, as highlighted in the Tri-County Leaders Push for Caution Ahead of Memorial Day Weekend and the Myrtle Beach Area CVB's COVID readiness updates, but significant concerns remain following this past weekend's reopening experience.

We appreciate your attention to this important state issue and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
The South Carolina Beach Advocates

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