



Decision List BC Meeting 02/22/2024

Subtitle	Weekly BC Meeting
Date	02/22/2024
Time	10:00 – 12:00
Location	Courtroom
Chair	Governor Johnson
Attendees	Eviton Heyliger and Jonathan Johnson
Absentees	Bruce Zagers

1.0.0 Welcome

2.0.0 Minutes of last BC Meeting

3.0.0 Discussion papers

BC proposals to be discussed and decided upon jointly.

3.0.1 Assignment Soualiga Engineering

The Executive Council approved posting of a vacancy for a Project Director Black Rocks Harbor (dossier number 59). The vacancy has been published through the channels of the Public Entity Saba, LinkedIn and www.werkenbijdeoverheid.nl. Three candidates applied, but none of them meet the full profile. Part of the harbor project consists of (preparatory) work on land. It is important that these activities are carried out in the near future, in preparation for the construction of the new harbor by the main contractor. The harbor project team proposes to hire Soualiga Engineering to manage the landside projects related to the harbor project. It will be a temporary, part-time assignment. After evaluation of this initial assignment, the harbor project team will decide whether Soualiga Engineering can manage the entire Black Rocks Harbor project during the construction phase.

The temporary assignment includes the project management of the projects below:

1. Slope stabilization, drainage and revegetation road to Black Rocks
2. Utility connections Black Rocks
3. Fort Bay Harbor upgrade phase 1
4. Relocation of cannons



Decision:

Approve the assignment agreement between PES and Soualiga Engineering.

3.0.2 BC Proposal Education Budget

The Public Entity reserves a general budget annually for the items under Education Department as outlined below. This budget covers the general expenditures of the department as well as for events like the organizing of Teacher's Day. The new Policy Advisor for Education and Culture together with colleagues, is working on an updated Housing and Tuition Allowance Policy to ensure that students in need (those not already receiving study financing from DUO) are receiving some extra assistance from government. The Laptop Policy was recently updated and ensures that students who are pursuing higher education are well equipped for success with the assistance of a laptop provided by the Public Entity.

The advice for BC is to approve the \$65,520.00 budget for the Education Department as well as the budget of \$90,000.00 for Study Allowance + Laptop. – The Policy Advisor will manage both budgets.

Decision:

Approve Proposal and mandate Policy Advisor to manage Education budget.

3.0.3 BC Proposal Queen Wilhelmina Playground Renovation Plan

In November 2023, a PlayScan of the current playgrounds was completed. They met with various stakeholders and had several focus groups of both children and parents. After reviewing all notes and feedback from the visit, Jantje Beton and the Public Health Department came to the decision the Queen Wilhelmina Park was the best place to start on a renovation. In addition to designing playspace, Jantje Beton's integrated approach also takes into consideration programming. The Queen Wilhelmina Park is already a strong community center in the Bottom so the project plans to elevate the space so it can continue to function as it is but on a more efficient level. Michael Bacon of Alite B.V. has made the proposed design of the Queen Wilhelmina Park, with input from Public Health, Infrastructure & Spatial Development, and the community through focus groups. Some of the highlights are: – More play equipment for younger children – Platforms built on and around existing trees to create an



obstacle course that can also be used as treehouses – More lighting and seating – BBQ/event corner: concrete countertops and picnic tables The goal is to use a lot of natural elements, bring more color into the space, and enhance the park for what it is currently used for (playspace, birthday parties, bbqs, etc.). Page 2 of 2 This is a community project and the process has been very inclusive so far. Throughout the realization of the new space, we would like to get the community involved where possible. The intention is to split the project's new elements into small pieces that could be completed in 2–3 days and supply the materials needed for each. Local contractors will then be asked to donate their time to complete a part of the project. This will be a way to get more of the community involved, provide an opportunity to give back, give some local businesses/contractors a place to showcase their work and allow the budget of \$72,600 (Beschikking 3232203–1013058) to go further in the project. If successful in getting time donated, some funds may be left and can be used to make improvements at another playground as well.

Decision:

Approve the design plan for the Queen Wilhelmina Park playground renovation and the process intended to realize the new area.

3.0.4

BC Proposal Street Art Mural Project

An art mural project, originally slated for October of 2023, unfortunately faced unforeseen circumstances that prevented its realization. However, for the first quarter of 2024 we would like to bring this vision to life. We have enlisted the talents of a regional artist from Anguilla, who has a proven track record of exceptional work in Anguilla and SXM. Collaborating closely with local youths, he will embark on transforming the dull, grey canvas of the Wells Bay Road retaining wall (Please see attached photo) into a captivating and enriching visual tapestry. The overarching goal of this initiative is to foster creative expression and personal development by showcasing the talents of young artists while providing enriching visual artwork for both residents and visitors to enjoy.

Decision:

Approve proposal



3.0.5

BC proposal Team Building Trip CDCC

The Community Development and Culture Department is planning an upcoming team building trip to Sint Eustatius, which is aimed at strengthening bonds between different sectors of our team and fostering better collaboration. This team-building event will provide an invaluable opportunity for each team member to gain firsthand insights into various departments within our organization.

During this immersive two-day trip, we will engage with counterparts in the Sint Eustatius departments, participating in field trips designed to deepen our understanding of their operations. Through knowledge-sharing sessions, idea exchanges, and collaborative activities, we aim to cultivate a spirit of good fellowship and mutual support, laying a solid foundation for enhanced collaboration between our team across the island.

On the third day, our focus will shift to internal team building, with activities tailored to strengthen our cohesion and communication skills.

Full itinerary will be provided at a later moment, after finalizing with department head of EUX Ms. Carol Jack of Social Domain.

Decision:

Approve Team Building trip to EUX.

3.0.6

Climate agenda

Over the past months, the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy – together with the Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management, the Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations, and the respective island governments – have been working on a climate agenda for the Caribbean part of the Netherlands. The aim with this agenda is to accelerate the transition to a resilient and sustainable future for the islands.

Saba attended a technical working group on the Climate Agenda in Curacao in January. During this meeting the Climate Agenda was further fine-tuned. The aim is to sign this agenda during the 'Vierlandenoverleg' in April. The representative from The Netherlands will then sign on behalf of the Public Entities.



Decision:

Review and approve the Climate Agenda for signing during the 'Vierlandenoverleg' in April

4.0.0 Formalities

5.0.0 Incoming Pieces / Requests (op paper)

Request business establishment permit Saba (1300/2024)

Application submitted for a business license to open a restaurant at the former Bottom Bean Café.

Decision:

BC approve request.

Request business establishment permit Saba (1346/2024)

Application submitted for a license to operate a cooperative on Saba.

Decision:

BC approve request.

Cancel business license (023/2024)

Request submitted to cancel business permit for Dimple's Lounge and Restaurant effective January 1, 2024.

Decision:

BC approve request.

Change of business license (055/2024)

Request submitted for change of business from sole proprietorship to besloten vennootschap for Royal Star Enterprises.

Decision:

BC approve request.

Change of business (057/2024)

Request submitted for change of business from sole proprietorship to besloten vennootschap for Maribella's Enterprises.

Decision:

BC approve request.



Change in business license (095/2024)

Request submitted to cancel license for All in One B.V.

Decision:

BC approve request.

Business license change (096/2024)

Request submitted to amend business activities of Saban Rock Living.

Decision:

BC approve request.

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Announcements

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1. Governor Johnson
2. Commissioner Zagers
3. Commissioner Heyliger
4. Island Secretary Streppel

7.0.0

Signing

8.0.0

Closing