**Decision List BC Meeting September 3, 2024**

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| **Subtitle** | Weekly BC Meeting |
| **Date** | 09/03/2024 |
| **Time** | 9:00 - 12:00 |
| **Location** | Courtroom |
| **Chair** | Governor Johnson |
| **Attendees** | Eviton Heyliger, Jonathan Johnson and Bruce Zagers |

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| **1.0.0** |  | **Welcome** |
| **2.0.0** |  | **Minutes**  *Attachment:*  BC Meeting Minutes 27-08-2024  BC Minutes 27.2024  *Decision:*  Approved |
| **3.0.0** |  | **Discussion papers** |
| **3.0.1** |  | **Airport Teams Exchange Travel to St. Maarten & Statia**  The trip will be an exchange of knowledge and best practices. The teams can learn about new procedures, and systems implemented at the visited airport, which could be beneficial for improving operations and services at Saba. Both teams would have networking opportunities to build relationships within their field.  St. Maarten and Statia have different operational scales and complexities compared to their home airport. Understanding these differences can help the officers better manage similar challenges at their own airport, enhancing overall operational efficiency.  *Decision:*  Approved. |
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| **3.0.6** |  | **Funds School Housing**  The School Housing Project is going into a new phase. The design phase for the new gym and technical school is almost finished. With going into the new phase, the project management is handed over to the Department of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning for the execution of the plans. Therefore, we advise to transfer the allocated budgets to the responsible Project Manager at the Department of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning.  *Decision:*  Approved. |
| **3.0.7** |  | **Urgent Repairs to Small Multi-Purpose Pier**  During the passing of Tropical Storm Ernesto in early August, the small multi-purpose pier sustained significant damage. This includes the washing away of most of the breakwater, damage to the surface of the pier, undermining of the pier, complete damage to the electrical of the pier, damage to the cleats and bollards and debris within the basin.  Because the small multipurpose pier is used frequently it is important that it is operable as soon as possible as when the cargo boats are in, the large pier does not have sufficient space to accommodate other traffic such as the fishing vessels, ferries, and dive boats. In addition, there is a lot of debris in front of the grey jetty which also sustained some damage, so the vessels are unable to utilize this pier either. It is therefore recommended that the most urgent damage, which included reinforcing parts of the breakwater, paving part of the surface, widening the area where the crane must go to remove some of the fishing vessels before hurricanes and removal of debris from the basin, is addressed as soon as possible. This will allow for the small multipurpose pier to be utilized and will ease the congestion at the large pier. After the hurricane season, a larger project can be done which will tackle the remaining damage, including the electrical work and the replacement of the bollards.  Due to the urgency of the situation, and because they have the right equipment and were available to begin immediately on the project, a local contractor was tasked with the project, which began on August 19th. It is expected that the project will take approximately 3 weeks to be completed.  *Decision:*  Approved. |
| **3.0.9** |  | **Request to Ministry of VRO for Verhuurdersubsidie 2025**  Since 2019, the Own Your Own Home Foundation (OYOHF) has received an annual ‘Verhuurdersubsidie’ from the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations (BZK). This responsibility now falls under the Ministry of Housing and Spatial Planning (VRO). The purpose of this subsidy is to reduce the rents of low-income tenants of social housing. The Public Entity Saba applies for the subsidy from the ministry, after which the amount is transferred to OYOHF.  *Decision:*  Approved. |
| **3.1.0** |  | **Signing convenant Regio Deal**  Over the past months, the Public Entity has worked together with several ministries in The Hague on the development of a convenant for the Regio Deal Saba. The Regio Deal focuses on the development of an Enrichment Center in St John’s, which will provide a wide range of learning and development opportunities to the local community.   The draft text of the convenant was determined by the signing parties in a ‘Rijk-Regio overleg’ on July 11th. After that, a few minor (redactional) changes were made to the text with input from the legal department of VRO and the convenant was signed by the following ministers and state secretaries:  The Minister of BZK, ms. Judith Uitermark; The State Secretary of Kingdom relations and Digitalization, mr. Zsolt Szabó; The Minister of SZW, mr. Eddy van Hijum  The Public Entity is now asked to sign the convenant. From the public Entity, the two commissioners will sign. After signing by the Public Entity, the Minister of VRO will be the last party to sign.  *Decision:*  Approved |
| **4.0.0** |  | **Formalities** |
| **5.0.0** |  | **Incoming pieces/request (on paper)** |
| **6.0.0** |  | **Announcements**  1. Governor Johnson 2. Commissioner Zagers 3. Commissioner Heyliger 4. Island Secretary Streppel |
| **7.0.0** |  | **Signing** |
| **8.0.0** |  | **Closing** |