

**Item # 46**

**ADDITIONAL MATERIAL**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**November 4, 2021**

**SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF**  
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I am very encouraged by the progress being made to make this excellent project a reality. Back in April of this year the Deerfield Beach Economic Development Council made the connection between the Guy Harvey Oceanic Foundation, the City of Deerfield Beach and Broward County. The EDC recognized our mutual interest in promoting environmental conservation and educating school aged children, particularly the underserved community. The City, County and other stakeholders toured Deerfield Beach with the GHOF, predominantly focusing on Sullivan Park and Deerfield Island. Since that time the vision has progressed. Deerfield Beach was already in design for a new community facility at Sullivan Park, and is now working directly with the GHOF to design the interior of the "land-side" center for this educational exploration experience. Additionally, Dr. Harvey is unveiling two of his murals at Deerfield Beach's Kirk Cottrell Pavilion. The investments being made by the County on the island and the City in Sullivan Park exemplifies a true partnership and collaboration amongst agencies. I want to thank Mr. Dan West for seeing the vision and bringing the item forward. This is a unique opportunity to partner with a renowned organization, The Guy Harvey Oceanic Foundation, and bring a first-class marine sciences and environmental education program to the community.



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