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AMENDMENT & UPDATE TO STUART COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Stuart Community Redevelopment Board (CRB) will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 4:00 PM and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) will conduct an adoption public hearing on Monday, August 26th at 4:30 PM in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 121 SW Flagler Avenue, to consider amendments to the Community Redevelopment Plan to add new programs and projects that are in compliance with the goals and objectives of the Community Redevelopment Plan.

RESOLUTION No. 07-2019 CRA
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO ADD NEW PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard. Copies of the items will be available at the Stuart City Hall. Written comments may be directed to Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, CRA Administrator, City of Stuart Community Redevelopment Agency at the following address: 121 SW Flagler Avenue, Stuart, FL 34994. For more information, contact the Community Redevelopment Agency at 772-283-2532.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), anyone who needs a special accommodation for this meeting should contact the City's ADA coordinator at (772) 288-5306 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, excluding Saturday and Sunday.

Mary Kindel, City Clerk
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Justice Department to turn over key Mueller evidence

By Nicholas Fandos
The New York Times

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department, after weeks of tense negotiations, has agreed to provide Congress with key evidence collected by Robert Mueller that House Judiciary Committee members said could shed light on possible obstruction of justice and abuse of power by President Donald Trump, the House Judiciary Committee said Monday.

The exact scope of the material the Justice Department has agreed to provide was not immediately clear, but the committee signaled that it was a breakthrough after weeks of wrangling over those materials and others that the Judiciary panel demanded under subpoena.

The announcement appeared to provide a rationale for House Democrats' choice, announced last week, to back away from threats to hold Attorney General William Barr in contempt of Congress. The House will still proceed today with a vote to empower the Judiciary Committee to take Barr to court to fully enforce its subpoena, but even that may no longer be necessary, the panel's leader said.

"We have agreed to allow the department time to demonstrate compliance with this agreement. If the Department proceeds in good faith and we are able to obtain everything that we need, then there will be no need to take further steps," Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., the committee chairman, said in a statement. "If important information is held back, then we will have no choice but to enforce our subpoena in court and consider other remedies."

Nadler said he expected the department to begin sharing some of the material Monday afternoon and that all members of the committee would be able to view it privately.

The agreement appears to have been foreshadowed in an exchange of letters in recent weeks between the committee and the department. In a May 24 letter outlining a proposed compromise, Nadler wrote that he was "prepared to prioritize production of materials that would provide the committee with the most insight into certain incidents when the special counsel found 'substantial evidence' of obstruction of justice."

Those incidences include Trump's attempts to fire Mueller, the special counsel; his request that Don McGahn, the former White House counsel, create "a fraudulent record denying that incident"; and Trump's efforts to get former Attorney General Jeff Sessions to undo his recusal and curtail the scope of the special counsel inquiry.

After weeks of objections, the Justice Department said it found the proposal reasonable and would work with the committee to share the materials in question, but only if the House would back off holding Barr in contempt of Congress for his defiance of the subpoena in question.

Democrats were willing to do so. The House still plans to vote today to authorize the committee to go to a federal court against Barr to seek full enforcement of its subpoena and to petition a judge to unseal grand jury secrets related to the case for Congress. But in a sign of the newfound cooperation, the House will not formally vote to hold Barr in contempt of Congress, leveling a criminal accusation against him, at least for now.

"We are pleased the committee has agreed to set aside its contempt resolution and is returning to the traditional accommodation process," Department of Justice spokeswoman Kerri Kupec said. "The Department of Justice remains committed to appropriately accommodating Congress' legitimate interests related to the special counsel's investigation and will continue to do so provided the previously voted-upon resolution does not advance."

Republicans cheered the agreement. Rep. Doug Collins of Georgia, the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee, said "today's good faith provision from the administration further debunks claims that the White House is stonewalling Congress."

News of the deal also came just hours before the committee convened the first of a series of hearings focused on the findings of Mueller's obstruction of justice investigation — a much-anticipated session that underscored the Democrats' dilemma in the wake of Mueller's report.

Because the Trump administration has blocked relevant witnesses from testifying, Monday's session starred John Dean, a former White House counsel who turned against President Richard Nixon during the Watergate affair, and former federal prosecutors, who assessed the implications of the special counsel's findings. The testimony was limited to the contents of Mueller's 448-page report already voluntarily made public by Barr.

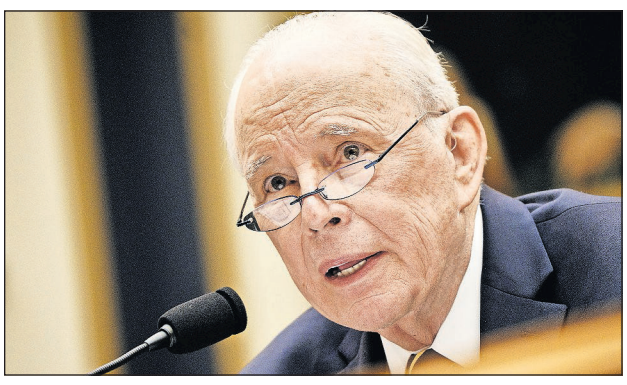
Nonetheless, Trump appeared to be fixated on the committee's efforts.

"Can't believe they are bringing in John Dean, the disgraced Nixon White House Counsel who is a paid CNN contributor," he wrote on Twitter. "No Collusion - No Obstruction! Democrats just want a do-over which they'll never get!"

Katie Benner contributed reporting.

Dean describes parallels between Trump, Nixon

By John Wagner and Rachael Bade
The Washington Post


John Dean, a former White House counsel who turned against President Richard Nixon during the Watergate affair, testifies Monday during a House Judiciary Committee hearing on Capitol Hill in Washington [T.J. KIRKPATRICK/THE NEW YORK TIMES]

WASHINGTON — Former White House counsel John Dean testified Monday about parallels between President Donald Trump and Dean's former boss, Richard M. Nixon, at the first hearing of the House Judiciary Committee aimed at understanding Robert Mueller's findings.

"In many ways the Mueller report is to President Trump what the so-called Watergate roadmap ... was to President Richard Nixon," said Dean, whose congressional testimony in 1973 ultimately lead to the resignation of Nixon. "Special counsel Mueller has provided this committee with a roadmap."

While acknowledging he was not a "fact witness" on the Mueller report, Dean highlighted similarities he saw between the two presidents, particularly on the matter of pardons and whether they were used to obstruct justice.

Mueller identified 10 potential cases of obstruction of justice by Trump in his report, but the former special counsel said his office could neither clear nor accuse Trump of obstructing his investigation, citing a long-standing Justice Department opinion that a sitting president cannot be indicted.

Committee Republicans mocked Democrats for bringing in Dean — a name from a bygone era who has a CNN contract — and several other former U.S. attorneys who have TV contracts. Rep. Douglas Collins, R-Ga., the top GOP lawmaker on the panel, said if Democrats really cared about stopping Russia interference in future elections, the committee would be asking experts — not cable commentators — to testify.

"I can catch your testimony on TV!" Collins said to the witnesses before pivoting to Dean specifically: "This committee is hearing from the '70s and they want their star witness back."

He added: "Here we are again with priorities in this committee turned upside down."

Dean said the last time he testified before the House Judiciary Committee was July 11, 1974, nearly 45 years ago. Seven of the committee's 41 members were born after his testimony.

At the White House, Trump dismissed Dean and any notion of impeachment.

"John Dean's been a loser for many years," the president told reporters, adding: "You can't impeach somebody when there's never been a thing done wrong. When you look at past impeachments ... there's a big difference, I don't leave."

The criticism underscores the problem Democrats face in trying to draw attention to Mueller's findings, particularly because Trump has blocked former White House aides from testifying. Mueller himself has also refused so far to agree to a date to testify publicly, privately expressing worries about being used politically by partisans on both sides.

Democrats have struggled to create blockbuster moments like the one where Dean turned on his former boss and helped bring down a president. Trump's former White House counsel Donald McGahn, in fact, has refused to testify because the White House told him not to.

Democrats convened the hearing two hours after the panel announced it reached a deal with the Justice Department to obtain "key evidence" related to Mueller's investigation into whether Trump obstructed justice.

Under the agreement, the panel will have access to interview notes, firsthand accounts and other evidence, according to Chairman Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., who announced that he would not move to hold Attorney General William Barr in criminal contempt of Congress.

CORRECTIONS

• A photo of chef Bruce Feingold in Saturday's Palm Beach Post misidentified him. It appeared with a story on the front page of the Accent section about the "Faces of Food" exhibit.
• A story in Monday's Palm Beach Post about the Mothers Against Murders Association making a quilt to honor 48 people killed by gun violence incorrectly attributed a quotation. The person whose dream is "That the unnecessary gun violence would stop!" was Cassandra Johnson, the mother of Paul Johnson, who was fatally shot in November 2014 in Riviera Beach. The error appeared in a story on the front page of the Local section.

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