



## **Leisure Services Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2020

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by board vice-chair, Peter Fox.

- A. Moment of Silence
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

**Present:** Peter Fox, Ellen Moltz, Danny Perez, Satnarine Ricketts-Weller, Karla Sobenes-Desme  
**Absent:** Keija Seemungal-Nichols, Larry (Todd) Shipley  
**City Liaison:** Rosemarie Marco

### **Open Discussion**

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2020 Leisure Services Advisory Board Meeting was made by Danny Perez and seconded by Ellen Moltz. The motion carried without board opposition.

### **Good of the Order**

- Danny Perez reminded the board that the Quilts of Valor ceremony will be held at the Civic Center Theatre this coming Thursday. The homemade quilts are given to veterans of war.

### **Old Business**

- **Tunes & Trucks-** The classic rock band, Mr. Nice Guy, definitely a fan favorite, played to a crowd of approximately 3,000 people. Danny Perez stated that there were fewer food trucks and long wait times for food. The Board was informed that there were food trucks that didn't show up without enough notice for staff to replace them. Mr. Perez suggested charging the vendors a larger fee hoping it won't be an easy decision for them to back out at the last minute. The next concert on March 6 will feature the Caribbean Chillers. Food trucks start serving at 6:00 p.m. and the concert starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center Amphitheater.
- **Taste of Sunrise-** This year's event was spearheaded by the Chamber of Commerce with assistance from Leisure Services staff. Karla Sobenes-Desme shared that the event was well-organized and the food was tasty, but felt that the vendors were too close together. She asked if the event could be held in a larger space. Rosemarie Marco stated that the banquet hall is the largest event space we have in the City but suggested a different set up might work.

- Village Art Plaza Kick-off Event- The community outreach event, held on February 29, was well attended. Multiple City departments, including Police, Fire, City Clerk's Office, Capital Projects and Leisure Services worked together to share ideas about the new Arts Plaza with the community. The event featured a live jazz band, street performers, artists and a kids' craft area.
- Classic Car Show- The show was attended by approximately 1,000 people this year. There were 140 cars on display, including 30 belonging to Sunrise residents.

## **New Business**

- Aquatics Programs- Annette Figueroa, Recreation Supervisor, and Austin Harris, Recreation Programmer shared that the City's lifeguard program is now run through the American Red Cross. They spoke to the board about expanding lifeguard trainings and enhancing aquatics programs for the public. The board will tour the Civic Center Pool next month.
- Leisure Services Staff Changes- Rosemarie Marco happily announced that Kevin Pickard, current Deputy Director, has been named as her successor. Upon her retirement in May, Kevin will assume the role of Leisure Services Director and Maria Little, current Assistant Director, will take over as Deputy Director.

## Upcoming Events

- Bike Rodeo and Car Fit – Saturday, March 21, 2020, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at Sunrise Athletic Complex
- Earth Day Festival – Saturday, March 28, 2020, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Sawgrass Sanctuary

## **Board Member Inquiry**

Satnarine Ricketts-Weller asked about the City's transportation program. Rosemarie Marco explained how the routes and bus stops in the Sunrise Lakes Condominiums are set up. If an individual requires a special accommodation, they need only call ahead to coordinate a pick up closer to their building. Ms. Marco informed the board that the City also provides individual medical transportation to qualified residents. The qualification process is handled by the City's Social Worker, Kathy Osborn.

## **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Satnarine Ricketts-Weller and seconded by Ellen Moltz. Motion carried without board opposition.

Transcribed by: \_\_\_\_\_

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