



Meeting Minutes

Leisure Services Advisory Board

December 5, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board chair, Danny Perez.

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Lorelei Boyden, Peter Fox, Hazel Kistow-Vasquez, Tonya Nolen Williams, Danny Perez, Satnarine Ricketts-Weller, Larry (Todd) Shipley

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 7, 2022 Leisure Services Advisory Board Meeting was made by Todd Shipley and seconded by Satnarine Ricketts-Weller. The motion carried without board opposition.

Old Business

Past Events- Kevin Pickard shared the participation numbers for recently held events:

- Theatre show - Something Rotten (Inside Out Theatre): 2 shows 515
- Theatre show - Word Up! Poetry Slam: 70
- Theatre show - Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, Interactive Movie Experience: 149
- Veteran's Day Ceremony: 100
- Tunes & Trucks - Greatest Decades of Rock: 2,000

Lorelei Boyden received positive feedback from attendees of the concert. The female singer has a great voice and there was good audience participation. Danny Perez asked if restrooms will be incorporated into the renovation of the amphitheater. Kevin Pickard responded that there is a plan for a small building with storage space, green room and a small restroom for the public.

- Tree Lighting Ceremony- 1,500

Kevin Pickard thanked Todd Shipley for giving his time and creativity as Santa for the event. He certainly was a crowd favorite. Feedback was positive but there were suggestions to move the event to a Saturday evening, possibly give out water, or maybe bring in food trucks. Kevin Pickard responded that there are logistical issues with the event. There was also a suggestion to ask local restaurants to give a discount to anyone that attends the event to use afterwards that evening. Kevin Pickard shared that he will bring back all suggestions to the events staff.

- Sunrise Lakes Homeowners Meeting- Satnarine Ricketts-Weller thanked Kevin Pickard and the Senior Center representative for attending the meeting and providing program information to the residents.

New Business

- Youth Athlete of the Month- The board reviewed the nominations from the Recreation Soccer Program. Discussion followed. The board made their recommendation for Jazlynn Perez and Shima Michael to receive the January 2023 Youth Athlete of the Month Awards. The nominees will be recognized at the January 10th City Commission Meeting.

Upcoming Theatre/Art Gallery Events

- 12/17, 12/18 & 12/19 - The Nutcracker Ballet
- 12/11 - Broadway Kids Elf Junior
- 12/9 - Lyrical Lounge

Upcoming Events/Programs

- 12/10 - Sunrise Arts & Crafts Festival and Winter Wonderland.
- Holiday Mini Camp - Kevin Pickard asked the board to share with residents that there are still spaces available for Mini Camp and it usually fills up so it's important to register ahead of time.

Good of the Order

Danny Perez reminded the board members that they will have a pot luck at the January meeting.

Todd Shipley asked how the current City Hall building will be removed once the new building is open; will it be knocked down or possibly imploded? Kevin Pickard responded that he will inquire with the City's Project Manager.

Peter Fox shared his safety concern regarding the active beehive at Oak Hammock Park. Kevin Pickard responded that he will check into the issue.

Danny Perez shared that finding shade at Welleby Park is still a challenge. Kevin Pickard responded that the City is aware of the issue and there are plans to install shade structures in the next renovation phase at the park.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Todd Shipley and seconded by Tonya Nolen Williams. Motion carried without board opposition.

Transcribed by: _____

Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary