



Meeting Minutes

Leisure Services Advisory Board
September 11, 2023

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

Absent: Larry (Todd) Shipley

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the August 7, 2023 Leisure Services Advisory Board Meeting was made by Tonya Nolen Williams and seconded by Lorelei Boyden. The motion carried without board opposition.

Old Business

Past Events /Theatre Shows and Programs

Kevin Pickard shared the participation numbers for recently held events and shows:

- 8/12- Wonderful Wizard of Oz- **160**
- 8/18- Interactive Movie- Goonies/Trivia- **91**

Tonya Nolen Williams shared that she attended and had a lot of fun. She also won the trivia contest!

- 8/25- Lyrical Lounge/Open Mic Night- **30**
- 8/25, 6pm- Art Gallery Reception "The Spirit of this Place" by Phoenix Marks- **75**
- 9/11 Ceremony- 8:30am, Civic Center Theatre- **75**
- **CANCELLED**- 9/8, 6:30pm- The Super Mario Bros. Movie, general admission \$7

Read & Stroll Program Inquiry Update- Kevin Pickard shared that the program is on hold until staff can find a better way to display the story boards, as they were damaged in the way they were displayed previously.

Flamingo Park Hall Inquiry Update- Kevin Pickard shared that after maintenance staff inspected the restrooms and didn't find any damage, they asked for more information. Satnarine Ricketts-Weller stated that her concern is that some of the toilets in the ladies' restroom feel loose and are beginning to break. Kevin Pickard responded that staff would look into it.

New Business

Athlete of the Month- The Flag Football and Cheerleading Athlete of the Month discussion was postponed until the October meeting to give coaches more time to get to know the players since many practices and games have been cancelled due to bad weather.

Veterans Park Construction Update- Kevin Pickard shared that naming the new contractor to complete the construction project is on tomorrow evening's Commission Agenda. It will be the first meeting in the new

Commission Chambers. Satnarine Ricketts-Weller asked if there is going to be a grand opening for the new City Hall. The response was that there will be a grand opening, but not until some finishing touches are completed.

Upcoming Special Events

- 9/23- Fall Harvest Festival, Welleby Park 10am-1pm- Admission: \$5 (12 & Under)
- 9/30- Mayors Chess Challenge, SAC Multipurpose Center, 10am-12pm- Free Admission
- 10/6- Tunes & Trucks, City Park, 6-9pm, La Muñeca de la Salsa

Kevin Pickard reminded the board that the Tunes & Trucks concerts are going on the road to different facilities each month while the Civic Center Amphitheater is under renovation.

- 10/21- Trick or Trot 5k & Kids Dash- Markham Park, 7:30am; Register online- \$15 until 10/1, then \$30
- 10/28- Boo Bash, City Park, 3-6pm

The event this year is exclusively for Sunrise residents and children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Upcoming Theatre Shows

- 9/16, 7pm- Baila Flamenco Presents "Between Us"- reserved seating: \$20
- 9/22, 7pm- Bachelors of Broadway- reserved seating \$20
- 10/6, 6pm- Art Gallery Reception -artist Galal Ramadan "Culture and Nature Matters"
 - Demonstration by artist- color pencil techniques each Friday in October, 5-6pm
- 10/21, 2pm & 7pm, 10/22, 2pm- Rent (Broadway Kids) reserved seating: \$25

Good of the Order

Peter Fox asked if anything has been decided about what to do with a bare spot (circular area) at the south entrance walkway of Oak Hammock Park. Kevin Pickard responded that the previous plan didn't work out and asked the board for suggestions. Some of the ideas brought forward included a seating area, large planter or some sort of public art.

Lorelei Boyden shared that Blanket Bingo has become a popular program at City Park. She is also enjoying the Sr. Center activities. Ms. Boyden asked about the status of the Art Plaza construction project. Kevin Pickard responded that once the active FPL project in that area is completed, the project will be moving full force.

Danny Perez asked if there is any program for acoustic musicians to play in the parks. Kevin Pickard responded that he would look into it.

Hazel Kistow-Vasquez shared her appreciation for City staff that assisted in having a bus shelter erected near JAFCO.

Adjournment

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

Transcribed by: _____

Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary