



## **Meeting Minutes**

Leisure Services Advisory Board

October 2, 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, Larry (Todd) Shipley

Absent: Satnarine Ricketts-Weller

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

### **Open Discussion**

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the September 11, 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

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

- 9/11 Ceremony- Attendance 120
- 9/23- Fall Harvest Festival, Welleby Park 10am- Attendance 3,948

Peter Fox shared that he thought there would be more retail vendors, but was happy with what he found. Lorelei Boyden shared that she received positive feedback from the Senior Center community.

- 9/30- Mayors Chess Challenge, SAC Multipurpose Center, Attendance 120

Theatre Shows and Programs- September theatre shows were cancelled due to some renovation and repair challenges in the building.

Park Permits Inquiry Update- Kevin Pickard shared that the City does not have a permit program for musicians to play in the parks at this time, but if there is interest then he would like to hear more about it from the entertainers.

Civic Center Amphitheatre Construction Inquiry Update- Board members viewed the renderings of the new amphitheatre and surrounding areas. Todd Shipley asked if there will be table and chairs as seen in the drawing. Kevin Pickard responded that it will depend on the funding for the final touches.

### **New Business**

Athlete of the Month- The board reviewed the nominations from the Flag Football and Cheerleading programs. Discussion followed. It was recommended that Maxwell Reid and Harley Fike receive the Youth Athletes of the Month awards. They will be recognized at the October 24<sup>th</sup> City Commission meeting.

Volunteer Opportunity- Board members were asked to volunteer as judges at the Boo Bash costume contest. Details will be emailed the week before to those that volunteered their time.

2024 Advisory Board Cycle- Kevin Pickard reminded the board that it is time to apply for Advisory Board positions for 2024 and instructed them to contact the City Clerk's Office if they didn't receive the application via email.

### Upcoming Special Events

- 10/6- Tunes & Trucks, City Park, 6-9pm, La Muneca de la Salsa
- 10/21- Trick or Trot 5k & Kids Dash- Markham Park, 7:30am Register online- \$30
- 10/28- Boo Bash, City Park, 3-6pm- Kevin Pickard reminded the board that this year's event is for residents only.

### **Good of the Order**

Todd Shipley shared that he is ready and available to dress as Santa at the City's upcoming events. He suggested bringing back the Diaper Dash at a future special event.

Lorelei Boyden attended Blanket Bingo for the first time and had a lot of fun. She was excited to see families attend together. Ms. Boyden stated that she sees the Art Plaza construction is ongoing. She asked about the Horizons Magazine going virtual only. Kevin Pickard shared that the City Commission decided to keep mailing the magazine out to individual households.

Tonya Nolen Williams commented that ordering theatre tickets online is a difficult process. Kevin Pickard shared that the City is going with a new vendor shortly with an easier process.

Peter Fox commended the Leisure Services receptionist for being a great help with information about renting a pavilion.

Danny Perez commented that continuing to mail the Horizons Magazine is a good decision as it is liked by many older residents who wouldn't usually go online. Kevin Pickard added that the Senior Center continues to mail out their event calendars.

### **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