



Meeting Minutes

Leisure Services Advisory Board

December 4, 2023

Call to Order

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

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2023 Leisure Services Advisory Board Meeting was made by Todd Shipley and seconded by Tonya Nolen Williams. The motion carried without board opposition.

Old Business

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

Past Special Events

- 11/11- Veterans Day Ceremony- Civic Center Theatre, 10:30 am- 200
- 11/17- Tunes 'n Trucks, Sunrise Sportsplex, 6 - 9 pm- Mr. Nice Guy (classic rock)- 600

Todd Shipley shared that there was a good crowd and there was no issue with the sound from the open field at the Sportsplex.

- 12/1- Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony- 1,400

Tonya Nolen Williams shared that attendees were impressed with the decorations and enjoyed the entertainment. She commended Todd Shipley for a doing a great job as Santa.

Past Theatre Shows and Programs

- 11/9, 7 pm- Blues Brothers Tribute Band, reserved seating: \$20- 92
- 11/17, 6 pm- Art Gallery Reception, Art on Fire-Just Add Water (Gold Coast Watercolor Society)- 75

New Business

Sunrise Residential Programs- Board members were given an overview of the A.R.P.A. (American Rescue Plan Act) programs currently offered in the City. Residents can receive assistance for fence repairs and can earn gift cards from local businesses. All details are listed on the City's website. These federal funds are intended to provide support in the ongoing recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. The City is promoting the program on social media and at City sponsored events.

Athlete of the Month- The board reviewed the nominations from the Recreational Soccer program. Discussion followed. It was recommended that Sophia Barnett and Nisin Nidheesh receive the Youth Athletes of the Month

awards. They will be recognized at the January 9, 2024 City Commission meeting. Danny Perez commented that since some of the nominations include minimal information about the athletes, he suggested that the more elaborately written nominations be shared with all of the coaches as a reference for future nominations.

Upcoming Special Events

- 12/8- Grinchmas Family Dance, 7-8:30 pm, Civic Center – Tickets \$5 per person
- 12/9- Arts & Crafts Festival/Winter Wonderland, 10 am - 4 pm, Santa 10 am - 1 pm - Welleby Park
 - Admission: FREE for Festival, \$5 for kids 12 and under for Winter Wonderland

Upcoming Theatre Shows and Programs

- The Nutcracker Ballet- 12/8 at 7 pm, 12/9 at 2 pm and 7 pm, 12/10 at 4 pm - reserved seating: \$35
- Disney's The Little Mermaid, presented by Broadway Kids Studio
 - 12/16 at 2 pm and 6 pm, 12/17 at 2 pm - reserved seating: \$25
- Christmas with the Ricardos- 12/19 at 7 pm, reserved seating: \$20
- The Grinch: Family movie and Meet & Greet- 12/22 at 6:30 pm, reserved seating: \$7

Good of the Order

Todd Shipley commented that in the past, the Bridges at Springtree Golf Club offered a free round of golf to Veterans on Veteran's Day, but this year only offered a discount on the fee. Kevin Pickard responded that he would look further into it.

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