

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, April 17, 2018

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at the Colonialtown Neighborhood Center located at 1517 Lake Highland Drive, Orlando, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Cahen
David Riccardi
Allison Bekavac
Maxine Risper
Kevin Dunleavy
Robert Soviero
Jason Reynolds

MEMBERS ABSENT

Liana Leal
Holly Kapherr

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Early, Director, Families, Parks and Recreation Department
Quincy St. Ange, Recreation Specialist at Colonialtown
David Wagg, Assistant Parks Division Manager
Stacy Anne Marrero, Board Secretary
Christopher Wallace, Cultural Arts Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Jason Reynolds called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public requested to speak before the Board.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

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Approval of minutes for the March 20, 2018 meeting was moved by Gary Cahen, seconded by Maxine Risper, and unanimously approved.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK REQUESTS

Junior Achievement / One Purse – Empower One Lift

Ms. Erin Brown came before the Board to seek approval to place 24 x 18 “H” wire signs along Princeton street in Loch Haven Park on May 11th and 12th, to promote the “Huge Purse Sale” that will be taking place at the Junior Achievement Auditorium on those dates. The purpose of One Purse is to use “the power of the purse,” by raising funds via the sale of donated purses, to cover the cost of supportive services to survivors of sex trafficking via the One Purse Restore Her Dream Fund. It was moved by Allison Bekavac and seconded by Kevin Dunleavy for placement of “H” wire signs on May 11th and 12th for this event. The motion carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Repertory Theatre
Reason for banner: Big Fish and Summer Camps
Banner Display Dates: May 11, 2018 through July 31, 2018

It was moved by Robert Soviero to approve the 6 x 10 ft. “Big Fish” and “Summer Camp” banners to be hung on the marquees outside of the entrance doors of the Orlando Repertory Theatre. The motion was seconded by Allison Bekavac. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner: Various Shows
Banner Display Dates: May 21, 2018 – August 27, 2018

It was moved by Kevin Dunleavy and seconded by Robert Soviero to approve the:

- 20 x 15 ft. banner on the Mills side of the building, hanging below the Museum letters, for the “Florida Prize in Contemporary Art” exhibition on view from May 21, 2018 through August 27, 2018;
- Six (6) 2 x 4 ft. pole banners in the parking lot view for the “Florida Prize in Contemporary Art” exhibition on view from May 21, 2018 through August 27, 2018;
- 12 x 16 ft. banner on the corner of Rollins and Mills Street for the “Summer Art Camps” from May 21, 2018 through August 11, 2018.

The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: Various Shows
Banner Display Dates: April 30, 2018 through August 27, 2018

It was moved by Allison Bekavac and seconded by Maxine Risper to approve the:

- 10 x 4 ft. roadside banner along Princeton Street for the “Science Night Live” event from April 30, 2018 through June 4, 2018;
- 25 x 14 ft. to be hung on the side of the building facing Princeton Street for the “Hall of Heroes” from May 7, 2018 through August 27, 2018.

The motion carried 6 to 0 with David Riccardi recusing himself from voting due to a relationship with Orlando Science Center.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: International Fringe Festival of Central Florida
Amount Requested: \$850.00
Purpose of Funds: Operational funds for the festival
Date of Event: May 15-28, 2018
Location: Loch Haven Cultural Park

Alauna Friskics, Executive Director presented to the Board on behalf of the Orlando Fringe. This is the 27th year for the International Fringe Festival, an unjuried theatre festival that draws over 30,000 patrons who enjoy about 80 shows, hundreds of pieces of visual art and dozens of children’s shows. Kevin Dunleavy moved to approve \$850.00 for operational funds for the Fringe, seconded by Gary Cohen. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Celeste Thomas came before the Board on behalf of the City of Orlando's Board Review Committee. Ms. Thomas explained that every four (4) years the City puts together a committee to review all City Boards and provide feedback on whether the Board policies need to be amended or reviewed. Ms. Celeste asked that all the Board members fill out the Board assessment and send it back to Stacy Marrero, Board Secretary, who will forward them to the committee. Celeste thanked everyone for the time they give as volunteers on City Boards.

REPORTS

Lisa Early reported that the City has started its budget preparation for the 2018/2019 fiscal year. She also reported that the Families, Parks and Recreation Fiscal Manager, Ms. Renee Jackson, will retire at the end of April and if Board members know of anyone who may be interested, they are encouraged to apply online on the City's website.

Ms. Early also reported that three (3) city park projects are competing to win a \$20,000 grant as part of the 2018 *Meet Me at the Park* Earth Month Campaign. They are: Ivey Lane Fitness Area (installation of fitness equipment in Ivey Lane Park); Engelwood Neighborhood Center Adjustable Basketball Goals (installing six basketball goals that adjust to any height between 4 feet and 10 feet so young children and people with disabilities can more easily play basketball there); and Hankins Park Orchard (planting fruit trees in the park). The project that gets the most votes will win the grant.

In closing Ms. Early reported that the Families, Parks and Recreation Department has received a \$40,000.00 grant as part of a "10-Minute Walk to a Park" national initiative sponsored by the National Recreation and Park Association. Grant funds will be used to update the City's Families, Parks and Recreation 2009/2010 Master Plan. More information will be provided to the Board in the months ahead; it is anticipated that the Board will play a significant role in this effort.

Mr. Quincey St. Ange, Recreation Specialist, reported on behalf of Mr. Rodney Williams, stating that the Recreation Division's Aquatics team is recruiting lifeguards for the upcoming summer. Applicants can be as young as fifteen years old and the City will put them through the necessary training and get them certified before the summer begins. The Recreation Division is also gearing up for summer camp registration. City residents pay \$60/week per child and non-City residents pay \$100/week per child. Youth who qualify based on income are able to attend at no charge.

Mr. David Wagg reported that the City's parks are full of event rentals; staff are busy keeping up with demand. Mr. Wagg further reported that Ms. Stephanie Colon, Administrative Specialist, was recently promoted to Manager of Bill Frederick Park at Turkey Lake, replacing Mr. Quincy Richardson, who recently moved into the position of Lake Eola Park Manager.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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