

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, September 19, 2017

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at Dr. James R. Smith Neighborhood Center, Orlando, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kevin Dunleavy
Gregory Reynolds
Liana Leal
Ricky Ly
Gary Cahen
Holly Kapherr

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jason Reynolds
Allison Bekavac

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Early, Director of Families, Parks and Recreation
John Perrone, Parks Division Manager
Stacy Anne Marrero, Board Secretary
Joseph Caesar, Center Manager
Chris Wallace, Cultural Arts Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Dunleavy called the meeting to order at 11:04 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 August 15, 2017 meeting was moved by Gregory Reynolds, seconded by Holly Kapherr, and unanimously approved.

FUNDING REQUEST

Applicant/Organization:	Hemophilia Foundation of Greater Florida
Amount Requested:	\$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds:	Park rental fees, permitting fees and police
Date of Event:	October 29, 2017
Location:	Harbor Park at Lake Baldwin

Leah Nash with the Hemophilia Foundation of Greater Florida gave a brief overview of the October 29, 2017 5K event. The Hemophilia Foundation will hold a “Creepy Crawl 5K and Vampire Mile” at Harbor Park at Lake Baldwin Park on October 29, 2017. The event will be family friendly and will consist of a 5K, a mile walk, costume contest, face painting, DJ and an awards ceremony. The event aims to raise funds to provide programming and services to those affected with bleeding disorders, to improve the quality of life for those affected and their families.

A motion was made by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Gary Cahen to approve up to \$1,500.00 to cover City costs associated with this event. The vote carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Association of Asian Cultural Festivals, Inc.
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Park rental fees and staffing fees
Date of Event: October 7, 2017
Location: Lake Eola Amphitheater

Madan Lall Persaud from the Association of Asian Cultural Festivals, Inc. gave a brief overview of the “20th Annual Diwali Mela – Festival of Lights” on October 7, 2017 at Lake Eola Park. The purpose is to build bridges with our ethnic communities to create a stronger society and bridge the gap between East, West, North and South. At the event, Central Florida youth will engage in cultural singing, dancing, modeling, and speech. A motion was made by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Ricky Ly to approve up to \$1,000 in City expenses for this event noting this is the last year the Board will sponsor this event as it has reached its maximum number of years allocated for sponsorship. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Whipping Childhood Cancer, Inc.
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Amphitheatre and labor fees
Date of Event: January 27, 2018
Location: Lake Eola Park

Jenny Silviano with Whipping Childhood Cancer gave a brief overview of the upcoming “Whipping Childhood Cancer Annual Golden Walk” on January 27, 2018 at Lake Eola Park. The event aims to raise awareness about childhood cancer and raise funds for Arnold Palmer Children’s Hospital for a T-Cell transplant center. The event will consist of a walk around Lake Eola with guest speakers and a memorial for children who have lost their lives to cancer. A motion was made by Gary Cahen and seconded by Liana Leal to approve up to \$1,500 in City expenses for this event. The motion carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: Science Night Live
Banner Display Dates: September 19, 2017 – October 9, 2017

It was moved by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Liana Leal to approve the 10ft x 4ft “Science Night Live – It’s Social. It’s Science. Its 21+” banner from September 19, 2017 through October 9, 2017 roadside along Princeton Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: \$10 Admission Day
Banner Display Dates: September 19, 2017 – September 25, 2017

It was moved by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Liana Leal to approve the 10ft x 4ft “\$10 Admission Day” banner from September 19, 2017 through September 25, 2017 roadside along Princeton Street. The motion carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK

Chris Wallace, Cultural Arts Manager presented two proposed signs for the renaming of the Orlando Fire Museum to the "Randall R. Tuten Orlando Fire Museum". Mr. Tuten's family will donate the new sign for the museum and is seeking advice from the Board as to which sign they prefer. After discussion and voting, the version with a gold background had three votes and the version with the red background had two votes with one person abstaining. A motion was made by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Holly Kapherr that the Orlando Fire Museum may wish to consider the Board's opinion on which version to use as non-binding, but that regardless of which version was used, the Board approved the hanging of either sign on the Orlando Fire Museum. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Ms. Lisa Early stated that an FPR Board Chair and a Co-Chair need to be nominated for the upcoming 2017-2018 fiscal year, prior to the October Board meeting. She asked that at least two Board members volunteer to serve on the Board Nominating Committee. Gregory Reynolds and Holly Kapherr both volunteered. Board Liaison Ms. Stacy Marrero will schedule a meeting of the Nominating Committee prior to the October meeting, and the Committee will present its nominations to the Board at its October meeting.

Ms. Early reported that she is working with partners from other areas of Florida that operate programs similar to Parramore Kidz Zone (PKZ), to collectively seek State funding for these programs. This will be the fourth year they have worked together to successfully leverage State dollars to support this work. In addition, the City is exploring the possibility of amending the State statute that pertains to DCF licensure of after school programs offered by municipalities.

Joseph Caesar, Manager of the Dr. James R. Smith Neighborhood Center reported on behalf of the Recreation Division. Mr. Caesar reported that on Friday and Saturday nights the center is packed for Ballin' after Dark. Eighty to ninety youth attend and play basketball in the gym. Mr. Caesar reported that the City's football league is starting up. Hundreds of youth, ages five and up, form teams throughout the City and compete against each other. The Smith Center has four teams. All games are played at Emery Hamilton Fields. In closing, Joe noted that after Hurricane Irma, the Centers opened to offer "holiday camp" to children because OCPS was closed.

Mr. John Perrone, Parks Division Manager, reported that ten (10) parks are currently closed due to hurricane debris or dangerous situations. Crews are making progress getting things back to order, and the parks should be re-opened soon. Many sub-contractors with needed equipment have either gone to Texas or South Florida to assist in their clean-ups. There has been a heavy demand on workers and many travel to places where they can make more money.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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