

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, February 21, 2016

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2016 at Rosemont Community Center, 4872 Rose Bay Dr, Orlando, FL 32808.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kevin Dunleavy
Ricky Ly
Celeste Thomas
Gregory Reynolds
Gary Cahen
Liana Leal
Jason Reynolds
Maria Caban

MEMBERS ABSENT

Allison Bekavac

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Early, Director Families Parks and Recreation
John Perrone, Parks Division Manager
Chris Wallace, Lake Eola Park Manager
Michael Pavelko, Center Manager
Adamaris Ramirez, Board Secretary-Acting

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Dunleavy called the meeting to order at 11:09 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 January 17, 2016 meeting was moved by Liana Leal, seconded by Maria Caban and unanimously approved.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization:	Indian Horizon of Florida
Amount Requested:	\$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds:	Park Rental, OPD Fees, Dumpsters & PA System
Date of Event:	March 19, 2017
Location:	Bill Frederick Park at Turkey Lake and Citrus Bowl

Hari Singh, President of Indian Horizon of Florida, presented to the Board on behalf of his annual Holi 2017 Festival. This festival is a free event to the public celebrating the arrival of spring with cultural arts and festivities. It has drawn big crowds for the last 4 years. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Liana Leal to approve up to \$1,000 to cover City costs associated with this event. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization:	Stop the Violence
Amount Requested:	\$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds:	OFD & OPD Fees, & Misc. Event Cost
Date of Event:	April 15, 2017
Location:	Callahan Neighborhood Center

Arlene and Eddie Willis, Directors of Stop the Violence and Embrace Inc., will be partnering with Star 94.5 and Commissioner Regina Hill for the anti-violence demonstration,/promoting unity event on April 15th at the Dr. J.B. Callahan Neighborhood Center. The event is free and open to the general public. Attendees will enjoy great food and festivities, while also paying special tribute to Pulse victims, Officers Debra Clayton and Norman Lewis and others who have perished within the community. A concert will be held at St. Johns Church that evening. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas to approve \$750 for the event costs and \$100 towards City expenses. It was seconded by Ricky Ly and the motion carried unanimously.

Concern arose due to the current budget for grant funding. A discussion ensued and, after confirmation from Lisa Early that funding would be made available, a motion was made by Celeste Thomas to increase the current budget to \$30,000 for grants. The motion was seconded by Gregroy Reynolds and carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Lie Down or Stand Up
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Rental of Park, Permits & Fees
Date of Event: March 4, 2017
Location: Lake Eola Park

President Sean VanGerena and Treasurer, Teresa Calio presented before the Board on behalf of Lie Down or Stand Up's Walk, Roll or Run event. This organization was started by Mr. VanGerena, who suffered from and persevered through traumatic brain injury, in hopes of bringing awareness and fellowship with those who have suffered TBI or have a loved one who has. There will be live entertainment, interactive games, films and fun for all to enjoy. A walk will follow the festivities. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas to approve the \$1,500 requested and seconded by Gary Cahen. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Tijuana Flats – Just in Queso Foundation
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Rental of Park and Facilities
Date of Event: March 18, 2017
Location: Lake Baldwin Park

Hannah Colston and Executive Director Randy Steil presented to the Board on behalf of the Tijuana Flats Taco Dash. This event was created to bring families together, raise funds and awareness about education within in the Orlando community. The 4 kilometer Taco Dash is free and open to the general public, but for \$30 participants will receive a shirt and taco. There will also be various kid-friendly activities. A portion of the proceeds will go towards the Seminole County and Orange County Public School Foundations. A discussion regarding the Just in Queso Foundation's financial statement ensued amongst Board members. After the conversation a motion was made by Maria Caban to approve \$750 towards city fees and seconded by Gregory Reynolds. The motion carried. Celeste Thomas abstained.

Applicant/Organization: Downtown Credo
Amount Requested: \$1,500.00
Purpose of Funds: Feeding Breakfast & Lunch to Volunteers
Date of Event: March 24-25, 2017
Location: District 5, Performing Arts Center & Z.L. Riley Park

Nicole Higgins and Sarah Elbadri came before the Board to speak on behalf of Downtown Credo's 3rd Annual Orlando Together Parade which celebrates Orlando's diverse community. There will be a gathering of youth and participants from community partners including several Families, Parks and Recreation Department community centers, who will build floats in a competitive and fun challenge the day before the parade. Funds will go towards meals for participants on the day before and of the parade. Food Trucks will be set-up on the weekend of the event and participants will be given a wristband for meals. A discussion ensued over Downtown Credo's financial statements. After some deliberation a motion was made by Jason Reynolds and seconded by Ricky Ly for \$1,000 to go towards the event/meal cost and \$500 go towards City costs. The motion carried. Gregory Reynolds and Celeste Thomas abstained.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: Kidstown
Banner Display Dates: January 4, 2017 – May 14, 2017

It was moved by Gary Cahen and seconded by Celeste Thomas to approve the “Kidstown” 10ft x 4ft banner located roadside along Princeton Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner: Science of Wine
Banner Display Dates: February 19, 2017 – April 29, 2017

It was moved by Gary Cahen and seconded by Celeste Thomas to approve “Science of Wine” 10ft x 14ft banner located roadside along Princeton Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner: Matthew Weinstein, The Living End
Banner Display Dates: March 7, 2017 – June 12, 2017

It was moved by Liana Leal and seconded by Maria Caban to approve the “Matthew Weinstein, The Living End” 12ft x 16ft banner located on corner of Rollins and Mills Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner: Matthew Weinstein, The Living End (Six 2x4 ft. flags)
Banner Display Dates: January 10, 2017 – April 24, 2017

It was moved by Liana Leal and seconded by Maria Caban to approve the six “Matthew Weinstein, The Living End” 2ft x 4ft banner located on the Orlando Museum of Art side. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner: Florida Prize in Contemporary Art
Banner Display Dates: May 26, 2017 – August 21, 2017

It was moved by Liana Leal and seconded by Maria Caban to approve the six “Matthew Weinstein, The Living End” 20ft x 15ft banner located on Mill side, beneath museum letters. The motion carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK REQUESTS

Chris Wallace reported that due to last year’s hurricane, the Tree of Peace event, which was approved at the September 2016 Board meeting, was rescheduled for March 19, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. There are no changes other than the date of the event. A motion was made by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Gregory Reynolds to approve the event. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

At January’s Board meeting, Lisa Early shared Ricky Ly’s email attachment, an article titled, “Orange County faces uphill battle to fight gang growth” that described limited resources for after school activities for youth. In an effort to bring awareness of the situation, Board members drafted a letter to present to the City. The Board approved the letter and asked staff to bring it back to the next meeting in a form that all members could sign. A conversation ensued regarding how to present the letter to the City. Lisa Early agreed to bring options back to the Board at next month’s meeting.

Lisa Early reported that park impact fees go into effect March 1, 2017. Money from impact fees will be generated via new residential construction within the City of Orlando. In the coming months, Board members can expect to review and comment on staff recommendations regarding how to prioritize spending of impact

fee revenues to expand park and recreation capacity in the City. The Families, Parks and Recreation 2010 Vision Plan offer excellent guidance. A copy of the 2010 Vision Plan will be sent to the Board members.

Michael Pavelko, Center Manager for the Rosemont Community Center, reported on Rodney I. Williams' behalf on the upcoming events within the Division. Dr. James R. Smith Center has an upcoming Black History Brain Bowl Senior Edition on February 17, 2017. This brain competition is between the seniors in several City of Orlando programs and is played Jeopardy style. Every Saturday in spring, the John H. Jackson Center hosts the UCF Reading Camp from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Through this program, free reading lessons are offered by UCF students to children from kindergarten through sixth grade. Consecutively, UCF runs a Parent Education Program wherein the children's parents and relatives learn hands-on strategies for teaching their children at home.

John Perrone reported that the path and exercise station has been opened at Park of the Americas. Upcoming projects include improvements (including a new playground) at Malibu Groves. All other upcoming events are listed on the Park's Division Monthly Report, which was distributed to Board members.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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