
June 18, 2019, 11:00 a.m.**MINUTES****Rosemont Neighborhood Center and Pool****Members Present:**

Gary Cahen, Chair
David Riccardi, Co-Chair
Maxine Risper
Andrick Lewis
Allison Bekavac

Members Absent:

Sarah Davila
Robert Soviero
Kevin Dunleavy

Others Present:

Lisa Early, Director
Stacy Anne Marrero, Recording Secretary
Christopher Wallace, Cultural Arts Manager
Yhonsa Rue, Acting Neighborhood Center Manager

1. Call to Order

Gary Cahen, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

2. Public Comment

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

3. Consideration of Minutes

Approval of minutes for the May 21, 2019 meeting was moved by Allison Bekavac, seconded by Andrick Lewis and unanimously approved.

4. Loch Haven Cultural Park Requests

Applicant/Organization:	Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner:	Science After Sundown
Banner Display Dates:	June 21, 2019 – August 11, 2019

It was moved by Andrick Lewis to approve the 10ft" wide x 4ft" high "Science After Sundown" banner to be placed roadside along Princeton Street. The motion was seconded by Maxine Risper and carried unanimously.

Applicant/Organization: Track Shack
Reason for banner: Celebration of Running 5K
Banner Display Dates: July 15, 2019 – August 18, 2019

It was moved by Andrick Lewis to approve the 10ft" wide x 4ft" high "Celebration of Running 5K" banner to be placed roadside along Princeton Street. The motion was seconded by Maxine Risper and carried unanimously.

5. Reports

Yhonsha Rue, Acting Neighborhood Center Manager, reported that the Recreation Division will hold its annual Recreation Summer Showcase on Thursday, July 25, 2019. This year's theme is "Around the Globe" with a special surprise showing during intermission. Ms. Rue also noted that the Rosemont Neighborhood Center will be starting a gardening program to assist the patrons and seniors of the center with healthier food options, because the neighborhood is predominately served by fast food chain restaurants.

Chris Wallace reported on behalf of John Perrone that the City is gearing up for the Fireworks at the Fountain show at Lake Eola on Thursday, July 4th starting at 4pm. Another popular event that is increasing in size each year will be held on Wednesday, July 3rd: the annual Independence Day event at Harbor Park (in Baldwin Park). The event will feature a parade, activities for children, food vendors, and live music, and will conclude with a fireworks show.

Mr. Wallace in closing reported that Constitution Green will be closed for renovation for approximately eight (8) weeks while the dog park is expanded and updated.

Lisa Early provided a brief update on the department's efforts to update the City's tree protection policies. One of the actions that needs to be taken is to update/amend City Code. As the first step in that process, the proposed changes were reviewed and approved by the Municipal Planning Board (MPB), after which the minutes of the MPB meeting were approved by City Council. The next step is for our team, in collaboration with the City's legal team, to prepare proposed amended language to relevant sections of City Code. The amendments must be voted upon at two publicly noticed City Council hearings. At this time, we expect those hearings to take place in July and August.

Ms. Early also reported that this is the week that that Governor can veto any potential funding in the State's budget including \$500,000 for Florida Children's Initiative (which includes \$100,000 for Parramore Kidz Zone); and \$900,000 for Florida After-School All-Stars (which includes \$300,000 for Orlando After-School All-Stars); and the 4Roots project in the Packing District.

Ms. Early reported that the City is deeply involved in developing/approving the upcoming 2019/2020 budget. The biggest expect increase for FPR is expected to be significant additional funding for facility maintenance, including preventative maintenance. We also hope to get approval to reclassification positions of several employees, to better align their pay rates with their positions. We also anticipate being approved for additional funding to carry out a significant renovation of the Beardall Senior Center.

In closing, Ms. Early reported that the City has broken ground on the Lake Lorna Doone project but the contractor has not yet completed the permit approval process and therefore the renovation has not yet commenced.

6. Adjourn

Gary Cahen, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

First Last Name
Chair

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Recording Secretary