



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 22, 2019**

ITEM TITLE: ADVISORY BOARD ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS

MEETING DATE: August 14, 2019

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Quorum was reached

Adventure Day For All -Exhibit 1 -

Ms. Vester addressed the Board about Adventure Day for All and advised that after further review regarding initial date chosen as well as other ongoing events throughout area on same day, it has been determined it would be best to host event on new date of Sunday, October 13, 2019. Ms. Elejabarrieta advised there will not be any fees extended to vendors and City will provide tables along with chairs. Ms. Vester advised that there will still be access to City Hall as well for cooling off, water and restrooms.

Ms. Vester advised Board the cost of last year's event was approximately twenty to twenty-three thousand dollars and therefore an overall review of this year's event will be conducted to determine best way to proceed regarding funds for upcoming events. Ms. Elejabarrieta confirmed current funds utilized for this event are from ADA Fines monies.

Ms. Vester stated flyers will be distributed at the school and sent to vendors to distribute to all their resources. It will also be advertised in the City's social media platforms. Last year there was also media coverage.

Business Inclusion Award Application

Ms. Elejabarrieta advised Board the deadline has been extended to August 24, 2019 and Chamber has just started to promote. Ms. Elejabarrieta stated committee should meet week of August 26, 2019 to review applicants, announce three finalists, give CCTV a couple of weeks to prepare videos and have voting take place September 23 through 30, 2019. Ms. Elejabarrieta stated winner should then be announced during first week of October which coincides with Disability Month and then presented at the October 8, 2019 commission meeting.

University of Miami – NSU CARD - Autism Friendly

Mr. Sando asked if City followed up with Ms. Gil regarding their Autism Friendly program. Ms. Elejabarrieta advised they had reached to Ms. Gil a week after and now are in the process of scheduling another meeting her to obtain ideas of how this would be incorporated into the City and go forth to present to City Manager.

ROOF Meeting - Philippa Milne

Ms. Milne stated she would like to thank City of Coral Gables for continuing to host ROOF meetings at the Youth Center. Ms. Milne stated that they are going forth with efforts to build two homes for people with intellectual disabilities within their community and hopes first location will be in the City of Coral Gables. Ms. Milne advised they will be also hoping to identify the second location prior to next meeting being held on August 21, 2019.

First Thursday Social Club at Adult Activity Center - Ms. Bonnie Blaire

Ms. Blaire advised Board they currently have approximately nineteen to twenty regular attendees. Ms. Blaire stated they offer the Bocce program and many attendees participate in it. Ms. Blaire advised they are doing very well.

City of Coral Gables Information Resources – Ms. Carolina Vester

Ms. Vester advised Board resources which can be utilized to obtain information of ongoing services, programs and events provided by the City.

Ms. Milne advised of free workshop hosted at schools throughout year and asked if it would be possible to place information of these on City website. Ms. Vester advised this is managed by Public Affairs office therefore, she would have to research and ask if this would be possible to do so.

NEXT MEETING: September 4, 2019

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 9:00am

Next meeting scheduled for: September 4, 2019

ATTACHMENT(S):

Minutes of the August 14, 2019