

# City of Coral Gables

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## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 15, 2018

8:15 AM

The Board meets the third Friday of every month.  
Coral Gables Youth Center, 405 University Drive, Coral Gables, FL  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

**CALL TO ORDER**

**@8:30am**

**ROLL CALL**

**Carlos Hernandez excused absence**

**Charlie Rua excused absence**

**Kirk Menendez present**

**Nancy Leslie present**

**Felix Pardo present**

**Desmond Gonzalez present**

**Deborah Swain present**

**Felix Pardo motioned to excuse board members this was seconded by Nancy Leslie and voted unanimously by the board as a whole.**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Deborah motioned to approve the minutes this was seconded by Nancy. The board voted in favor unanimously.**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Fred updated the board on the status of Betsy Adams and the Coral Gables Garden Club Park. Explaining that the ribbon cutting will be on 3/17/2018 at 10:00am and light refreshment along with presentations from the Garden Club and City officials will be included.

Fred updated the board on the Kerdyk Tennis Center construction contract being awarded to a contractor and that all summer camp operation will be moved to the Salvador tennis center during construction. Fred also explained that the Biltmore tennis center will remain open for social play during construction.

Fred updated the board on dog waste stations and how the City initiative has begun to install and disperse the stations throughout the City. Fred also explained the maintenance plan for the dog waste station as well as the daily emptying schedule. Fred put emphasis on the "No dumping in City Swales" section of the campaign.

**Capital Projects update:**

**Youth Center Fitness trail:** Ready to proceed and should begin within a couple of weeks

**5 Passive Parks:** The parks are currently in the final stages of estimates and drawings and will begin to make their way through Building and zoning.

**Phillips Park Lights:** Project has been completed and now is currently wrapping up punch list items.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **-Discussion on Park naming:**

Fred brought before the board an application for the naming of the proposed triangular park directly in front of the Venetian Pool, after debate and some information and discussion regarding Miss Lemar Louise Curry, the board overall believed there is no other more deserving based on service and legacy to have the space named after her.

Felix Pardo motioned to name the open space Miss Lemar Louise Curry Park. This was seconded by Deborah Swain and was voted in unanimously by the board.

### **-Discussion and voting on member at large:**

There was a discussion and review of the qualifications of Wifredo Fernandez based on those attributes and discussion.

Felix Pardo motioned to make Wifredo Fernandez the Parks Advisory Board member-at-large, this was seconded by Nancy Leslie and voted in favor unanimously.

## **ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY**

### **Date & Time of next meeting:**

**March 16, 2018 @ 8:15am**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**@ 9:30am**

## **NOTE**