

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Minutes of Meeting, May 2, 2019

War Memorial Youth Center, Conference Room

MEMBERS	J J A S O N D J F M A M	
Ana Martin-Lavielle	P - - P E P P P P P P E	Mayor Raúl Valdés-Fauli
Bonita Norman	P - - P P P P P P P P P	Comm. Patricia Keon
Lucy Reinhardt	E - - E P P P P P P E P	Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Barbara Perez	P - - P P P P P P P P P	Comm. Vince Lago
Elizabeth Parnes	P - - P P P P P P P P P	Comm. Michael Mena
Jose Garrigo	P - - P P P P P P - - E	City Manager Peter Iglesias
Robert Berman	P - - P P E P P P P P P	Board as a Whole

STAFF:

Deena Bell-Llewellyn, Landscape Services Acting Secretary
Ayliin Hernandez, Landscape Services Recording Secretary

A = Absent
P = Present
E = Excused

GUESTS:

Susan Rodriguez, Resident awaiting

OPEN MEETING: The Chair, Barbara Perez, opened the meeting at 8:45 a.m., the roll was taken and a quorum was present. **A motion was made to “Approve the minutes of March 7th, 2019, as corrected. The motion was seconded, voted upon and adopted unanimously. A motion was made to “Approve Lucy Reinhardt’s absence.” The motion was second, voted upon and adopted unanimously.** The board was invited to attend the Parks Master Plan Public Meeting on May 9th, 2019 at 8:15 a.m. at the Youth Center.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARBOR DAY EVENT: Discussion developed on the poor sound system. Special attention should be give to the sound system in the future. Compliments were made on the children’s skit, the vegetable garden and the tree plantings. Ms. Bell mentioned that Ponce Middle School is a propective location for the next event. The board requested a list of the schools in Coral Gables for futher consideration. Ms. Perez will draft the *Thank You* letters.

ROYAL POINCIANA FIESTA: Ms. Parnes asked for clarification on the City’s role in this event. Ms. Bell-Llewellyn advised that last fall the board voted not to be involved in the planning. The City Manager’s office offered to provide assistance with the marketing. Further communication should be refered to the City Manager’s office.

UPDATE ON MISCELLANEOUS CITY PROJECTS:

BETSY ADAMS PARK: The City will ensure the contractor to completes the fencing project.

ALL FIVE PASSIVE PARKS: The costruction fence is being installed. The preliminary plans will be presented before the board. Project information is available on the city website and E-News.

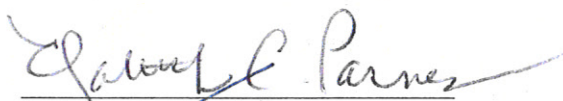
PONCE CIRCLE PARK: A consultant was selected . Commission approval will follow.

LAMAR LOUISE CURRY PARK: The design plans are in the process. They will be presented before the Garden Club on September 23, 2019. The bubble speech benches will be relocated. Katherine Cathers will handle the relocation. Ms. Bell encouraged the board to submit recommendations for the new bench locations.

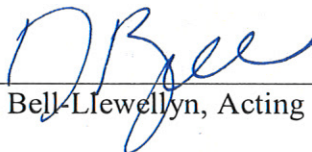
DISCUSSION: The plant donations by Pure Beauty Farms are being planted on Miracle Mile. They will also be planted at the Historic Entrances. These plantings are being handled by Landscape Services. A consultant was hired to handle the maintenance of the fountains throughout the city. The court house is responsible for the deteriorated landscape. Code Enforcement will look into it. The June meeting is the last meeting of this term. Ana Martin-Lavielle and Barbara Perez are termed out. Two board vacancies will be available. Ms. Parnes and Ms. Martin-Lavielle requested absence approval for the June meeting. **A motion was made to, " Absence approval for Ms. Parnes and Ms. Martin-Lavielle from the June meeting." The motion was second, voted upon and adopted unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED:


~~Barbara Perez, Chair~~
Elizabeth Parnes

ATTEST:


Deena Bell-Llewellyn, Acting Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD
THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2019, 8:30 A.M.
CORAL GABLES YOUTH CENTER, CORAL GABLES, FL