

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 13, 2018

8:15 AM

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

CALL TO ORDER

@8:27 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

**Kirk Menendez
Nancy Leslie
Felix Pardo
Wifredo Fernandez
Carlos Hernandez
Charlie Rua**

Absent:

**Desmond Gonzalez
Deborah Swain**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Felix Pardo moitioned to approve the minutes this was seconded by Wifredo Fernandez and unanimously approved by the board.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fred began his report discussing the department's annual meeting which brings in all the staff and overview new policies and training. Fred also highlighted the new software coming on line in the City, online Tyler permitting, Cartograph and Project Manager.

Fred discussed the masterplan process and updated the board with the schedule. The Master Plan is still on track for completion by the end of 2019.

Fred discussed the ongoing capital projects, beginning with the indoor and outdoor playground at the Youth Center which are being reviewed for final items and is scheduled to open prior to the new year. The five passive parks are currently in procurement and should be ready to go out to bid at the beginning of the new year. Fred also touched on the renovation of the Kerdyk Park renovation which is currently in procurement and design. Fred also gave the board an updated timeline on the William H. Kerdyk Tennis Center which is scheduled for completion in January. Fred touched on the discussion surrounding the design and construction of a dark park in conjunction with the Gables Station development which is on the US1 corridor. The build out of Majorie Park is scheduled to begin designing and continue with community meetings. Carlos Hernandez asked about the construction process, Fred assured the board that the Capital Improvement Office is currently working on a more streamlined process.

Fred discussed the conceptual design of Ponce Circle Park, Felix Pardo had several questions regarding the design and whether the development paid impact fees to Miami-Dade County and how much the City should be receiving on behalf of this development.

Fred overviewed the Holiday Tree Lighting which was a great event and the Holiday Park looks great the park will be closing on January 4th. Fred continued with highlighting to the board all the events going on throughout the City during the holiday season.

Fred overviewed the Jr. Orange Bowl Parade and other in-kind services that the City offers to the JOB. Felix asked if there was an opportunity for the Orange Bowl to sponsor or support the JOB. Fred explained that the City will begin talks with the JOB and that the JOB needs to reach out to the Orange Bowl. Kirk Menendez asked that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board be kept in the loop.

The discussion was brought up regarding the Turkey Hoop Shoot event and if the logistics of the event if they were acceptable but changing the court arrangement and not limiting the court space to just the event would be beneficial.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Carlos Hernandez brought up the topic of parking on Anastasia which is being used during after hours but not being moved before the morning events happen. Fred agreed and said he will come up with enforcement strategy.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

January 10th 2019

ADJOURNMENT

9:41am

NOTE