

CITY OF APOPKA

Minutes of a Workshop teleconference held on September 2, 2016, 1:30 p.m. in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Commissioner Billie Dean
Commissioner Diane Velazquez
Commissioner Kyle Becker
Commissioner Doug Bankson

ABSENT: Mayor Joe Kilsheimer

PRESS PRESENT: John Peery – The Apopka Chief
Dale Fenwick - The Apopka Voice

KABOOM REPRESENTATIVES PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

CALL TO ORDER – Vice Mayor Dean called the Workshop to order at 1:30 p.m and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

DISCUSSION

Dr. Shakenya Harris-Jackson introduced Kaboom Representative, Laetitia Morrisson.

Laetitia Morrisson provided a brief overview of the program and explained how the process works. Laetitia then introduced Kaboom Representative, Joy Hathaway. Ms. Hathaway stated that at this point, Kaboom has already identified the need exists in our City and that they are currently seeking a large sponsor to fulfill the \$90,000 requirement for the grant. The City would be responsible for a contribution of \$8,500 which can come from donations or fundraising efforts. Ms. Hathaway advised that they are currently in the process of exploring partners in our area however to date they haven't received any responses. Ms. Morrisson stated that Kaboom is open to suggestions as to other partners as well.

Commissioner Bankson stated that the City has two Ministerial Alliances that would likely get behind the project and asked whether the scope of the funding was only for the playground or if could be used for other things. Ms. Hathaway stated that the funding can be used for picnic tables however it would not cover rest rooms or water parks.

Commissioner Velazquez asked if we need to reach out to the community for donations or do a fundraiser prior to receiving the Grant. Ms. Hathaway advised that the City's portion would come after the grant had been funded.

Commissioner Becker expressed his concerns as to why there wasn't any interest yet and asked whether the funding was per playground or total. Ms. Hathaway stated that it can take up to two years to find a partner and confirmed that the funding of \$90,000 was per playground. She also indicated that best case scenario may be early Spring or later in the Fall of 2017 before they secure a partner.

Dr. Harris-Jackson asked that Kaboom provide us with the Conceptual Plans & a cost break down and stated that the goal was to identify partners to potentially have a partner in place by the Spring of 2017.

Ms. Hathaway advised that they will prepare a preliminary design and present to the City for approval prior to finalizing. The City will have the final say in whether this fits our vision.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

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Billie Dean, Vice Mayor

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Linda F. Goff, City Clerk