



AGENDA

**PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE @ 6:00 PM
City Hall Council Chamber
120 East Main Street – Apopka, Florida 32703
July 13, 2015**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approve Minutes.
 - 1. 07/13/15 - Approve minutes of 06/29/15 Parks and Recreation CAC meeting.
- IV. New Business
 - 1. 07/13/15 - Review Recommendations for Community Parks
 - 2. 07/13/15 - Presentation - Future Growth and Future Park Needs
 - 3. 07/13/15 - Review Recommendations for Former Apopka Little League Facility
- V. Old Business
- VI. Next Meeting Date & Time
- VII. Adjournment

All interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to this agenda. Please be advised that, under state law, if you decide to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, you may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes a testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. The City of Apopka does not provide a verbatim record.

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of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka, FL 32703, telephone (407) 703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

Backup material for agenda item:

1. 07/13/15 - Approve minutes of 06/29/15 Parks and Recreation CAC meeting.

CITY OF AOPKA

Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Community Advisory Committee meeting held on June 29, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Captain Jerome Miller, Chair
Christine Bornstein
Tenita Reid
Eli Rivera
Bill Spiegel
Matthew Hutchinson
Anita Boyd
Danyiel Hunter-Yarbrough

ABSENT: Justin Gomez
Larry Zwieg

STAFF PRESENT: Lorena Potter, Interim Recreation Operations & Maintenance Manager
Kyle Wilkes, Planner II
Dr. Shakenya Harris-Jackson, Grant Coordinator
Susan M.Bone, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Member Eli Rivera and seconded by Member Anita Boyd to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously with Chair Miller, and Members Bornstein, Reid, Rivera, Spiegel, Hutchinson, Boyd, and Yarbrough voting aye.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION:

Dr. Shakenya Harris-Jackson, Grant Coordinator, presented a brief summary of the recommendations provided by the committee members as to the four neighborhood parks including: Alonzo Williams Park; Buchan Pond; Dream Lake Park & Lake Avenue Park.

The following recommendations were presented for discussion:

Alonzo Williams Park: Recommendations included resurfacing of basketball courts, possible shading for courts, redo baseball fields, new signage including a sign indicating items not permitted, building expansion, new playground area, exercise trail, irrigation improvements, addition of pavilions to include grills, creation of additional parking, security cameras, and a splash pad.

Buchan Pond – Recommendations included: improved access to the park, removal of overgrown foliage, addition of new signage, addition of pier or dock, repair of concrete pathways, addition of a trail or walking path.

Dream Lake Park – Recommendations included: improved landscaping, upgraded fishing dock, addition of new benches, tables, grills, paved parking area, addition of a pavilion and information center, and the possible addition of a band shell or stage area.

Lake Avenue Park – Recommendations included: improved landscaping, addition of new signage, repair fence, upgrade playground, add tables, benches, grills, addition of a pavilion, parking spaces, restrooms, and fitness area.

Kyle Wilkes, Planner, presented a brief summary of the recommendations provided by the committee members as to the six community parks including: Apopka Athletic Complex; Doctor's Dog Park; Edward's Field; Fran Carlton Center; Kit Land Nelson Park; and Northwest Recreation Complex.

Discussion of Recommendations for existing Parks:

The committee recommended looking at what other communities have done in terms of parks in order to incorporate new design ideas that will draw people to the parks as well as the City.

Discussion ensued with regards to potential safety issues related to having a splash pad. Further discussion included the possibility of a BMX park or Skate Park as well as other options including a community pool at the Fran Carlton Center.

Lorena Potter, Interim Recreation Operations & Maintenance Manager, was asked to provide a summary as to what programs are being offered at the Fran Carlton Center. She reported programs include Senior Programs, Summer Camp, Crafts, and Exercise Programs.

In response to inquiries about the Apopka Athletic Complex, Ms. Potter advised that the Girls Softball has a lease and maintains everything within the fence line and the City maintains the grounds. AAU uses the soccer fields and the City has a warehouse there.

Kyle indicated that he would prepare a presentation for the July meeting outlining all of the recommendations and will provide a list of all city owned parks.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bobby Reid spoke about the retention that would be required for paving the new parking area for the proposed community pool.

Michael Poslusey spoke about the issues at the Northwest Recreation Complex. He noted that he liked the pool idea and would like to see our kids stay here and not have to go outside of the area for recreation.

Suzanne Kidd said she would like to see more things for our teenagers to do, including skate parks, paint ball and other types of activities.

NEXT MEETING DATE & TIME - It was the consensus of the members to hold the next meeting Monday, July 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jerome Miller, Chair

Linda F. Goff, CMC, City Clerk