



City of Doral Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

Monday, September 9th, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Doral Government Center

3rd Floor Training Room

8401 N.W. 53rd Terrace

Doral, FL 33166

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.

2. **Roll Call of Board Members**

James Gimbel, Chair	Present
Armando Montero, Vice Chair	Absent
Patricia Sherrill, Secretary	Present
Joseph Pan, Board Member	Present
Israel Pacheco, Board Member	Present

Also present were:

Albert Childress, City Manager
Michael Trader, AECOM Contractor
Erin Weislow, Parks & Rec Department

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Public Comments**

- a. Mr. Childress, City Manager, and Michael Trader, AECOM contractor, gave the board a brief update on the Doral Parks Bond.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

a. **June 11th, 2019**

Motion to approve the June 11th, 2019 meeting minutes made by board member Patricia Sherrill and seconded by board member Israel Pacheco. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.

6. Discussion Items

a. Discussion: Tennis for the Blind & Sight Impaired

Mr. Gimbel brought up an idea to the board about possibly incorporating the program 'Tennis for the Blind & Sight Impaired' to Doral, especially since the City already has the Special Olympics. He gave a brief overview of how the program is played and handed the board members some research that he found on the program. The board will look into it and more will be discussed at the next meeting.

b. Update: Community Garden Progress

The community garden has been really successful, Erin informed the board that all but one spot was already in use.

c. Update: SWAT Update

The Parks & Recreation Department has been working with Public Affairs regarding SWAT banners. As of now, there are banners in Morgan Levy Park, Doral Legacy Park and Doral Meadow Park. The banners are from the SWAT program at Ronal Reagan High School and the banners state 'students working against tobacco', 'say no to tobacco', and a couple of other slogans. Doral Police and Parks & Rec have also been working together with the SWAT program at Ronal Reagan High School and they've done a couple of educational presentations already.

d. Update Concession at the Park

As part of the updates to Morgan Levy Park, the City will be adding a grease trap because it's now a requirement, so as soon as the grease trap is added, the City will add a concession stand at the park. For Doral Meadow Park, the City has to add the grease trap as well as bring the park up to the requirements of Miami-Dade.

e. Update: Parks Bond

During the public comment portion, Mr. Childress and Mr. Trader gave the board a brief update on the bond and the projects they're currently focusing on. Staff that is working on the bond project meet every Friday and the City has already created the Bond Oversight Committee, which is made up of Doral residents.

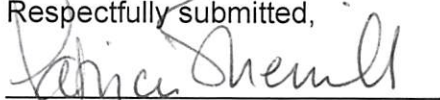
f. Update: Parks & Recreation Department

Erin gave a brief update on the department's upcoming events. She informed the board on all the events occurring during Hispanic Heritage month, as well as the Halloween events and Veteran's Day parade.

7. Future Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment: Meeting adjourns at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Sherrill, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting made by Board Member PATRICIA SHERRILL and seconded by Board Member Joseph Pan.

Chair James Gimbel

YES

Vice Chair Armando Montero

N/A

Secretary Patricia Sherrill

YES

Board Member Israel Pacheco

YES

Board Member Joseph Pan

YES

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 11th day of February 2020.



James Gimbel, Chair