

Report of City Council Action Items

September 15, 2016

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Members Present: Council President Charles Bare, Council Vice President Brian Spencer, Jewel Cannada-Wynn, Larry B. Johnson, Sherri Myers, Andy Terhaar, Gerald Wingate, and P. C. Wu

Absent: None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS (continued)

13. FY 2017 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

That City Council approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for Fiscal Year 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$247,300 for Landscape Maintenance Services within the CRA.

The motion passed 7 - 1. Council Member Wingate dissenting.

14. FY 2017 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PENSACOLA AND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

That City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Pensacola (City) and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for Fiscal Year 2017 Administrative Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

15. GENERAL DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES JR. MUSEUM & FLIGHT ACADEMY LOAN – EASTSIDE REDEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND

That the City Council authorize the Mayor to enter into a loan from the City's Insurance Retention Fund of up to \$500,000 to the Community Redevelopment Agency's (CRA's) Eastside Tax Increment Financing District subject to CRA award of a contract for the construction of the General Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. Museum & Flight Academy Project and approval of a loan from the City's Insurance Retention Fund. The provisions of the loan are for an eight (8) year term, at an interest rate of three percent (3%) to be repaid from the Eastside Redevelopment Trust Fund. Also that City Council approve the resolution incorporating the interlocal agreement with the CRA. Further that the City Council approve the supplemental budget resolution appropriating the loan proceeds. Finally that City Council authorize the Mayor to take all actions necessary to complete the transaction.

The motion passed 7 - 1. Council President Bare dissenting.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-16: -- **MOTION TO APPROVE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, RELATING TO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE URBAN INFILL AND REDEVELOPMENT AREA ESTABLISHED BY CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 41-05; PROVIDING FINDINGS; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, TO FINANCE THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION OF THE GENERAL DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES, JR. MUSEUM & YOUTH FLIGHT ACADEMY PROJECT; RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING ALL PRIOR ACTIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The motion passed 7 - 1. Council President Bare dissenting.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 35-16: -- **MOTION TO APPROVE**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND MAKING REVISIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The motion passed 7 - 1. Council President Bare dissenting.

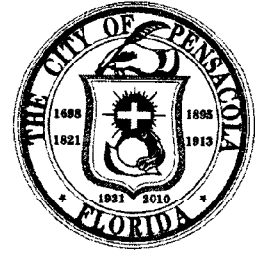
16. AUTHORIZING THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

That City Council authorize the establishment and continued functioning of the Bicycle Advisory Committee and appoint the members currently serving on the Committee. **Further, that the Committee not hold another meeting until Sunshine training has been provided by the City Attorney.**

The motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

Council Meeting Date: September 15, 2016



LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council Vice President Brian Spencer

SUBJECT: Authorizing the Bicycle Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council authorize the establishment and continued functioning of the Bicycle Advisory Committee and appoint the members currently serving on the Committee.

AGENDA: Regular Consent

Hearing Required: Public Quasi-Judicial No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

In January of 2016, a Bicycle Friendly Community Committee was established by the Parks and Recreation Board with the purpose of gaining the national designation of a Bicycle Friendly Community. In February of 2016 the Committee held its first meeting to discuss and begin the application process needed to obtain such a designation. Committee members were selected and Mr. David Mayo was elected to be the Chair of the Committee. In April 2016, the Committee voted to change the name to City of Pensacola Bicycle Advisory Committee.

At the August 18, 2016 Parks and Recreation Board meeting, Mr. Mayo reported that the Bicycle Advisory Committee had completed the application process and the application seeking the designation of a Bicycle Friendly Community had been submitted. The Parks and Recreation Board then entertained a motion requesting that the Committee continue to function in order to address any issues that might arise out of the application process. This motion was seconded, voted on and passed unanimously. The Committee would like to continue in order to educate the public to become more aware of bicycles and regulations.

Questions have been raised as to the authority of a City Council created Board to create their own "sub-committee." In order to respond to these questions as well as avoiding further confusion, this item is brought forth seeking the City Council's action in authorizing this Committee, allowing for its continued existence and appointing the following members to the Bicycle Advisory Committee:

David Mayo – Parks and Recreation Board Member, and avid cyclist, tennis player, etc.

Jeff Boulton – President of the West Florida Wheelmen (bicyclists).

Tim Fox – Cyclist and West Florida Wheelmen board member. He helps put on the Pensacola Subway Classic Race and other races in the Southeast.

John Ellis – Local business owner of a real estate company, cyclist, member of the Transportation Planning Organization.

Rand Hicks – Parks and Recreation Board member, cyclist, and Pensacola resident since 1955.

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Richard Sherrill –Lawyer who lives in North Hill and bikes frequently. He is interested in keeping biking safe. Would like to connect some of the parks with bike routes.

Domenich Risola – Works with Tri-Possibilities, a multi-sport coaching company, a USA Cycling coach, Vice President of West Florida Wheelmen. He believes the sidewalks are for pedestrians, not for cyclists. He grew up in Tampa Bay area which is more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.

Bobby Cooley – Rode bike to school in a small Alabama town. Got into cycling as a form of fitness and believes cycling is not just for fanatics, but should include toddlers, and families as a form of recreation.

Marie Mott—Florida Department of Health in Escambia County.

Administrative and technical support from various city departments will be available to assist the committee.

PRIOR ACTION:

January 21, 2016 –Parks and Recreation Board establishes the Bicycle Friendly Community Committee

February 18, 2016 – Bicycle Friendly Community Committee holds first meeting

April 14, 2016 – Bicycle Friendly Community Committee changes name to City of Pensacola Bicycle Advisory Committee

August 18, 2016 – Parks and Recreation Board votes to continue Bicycle Advisory Committee to address issues arising from the application to receive designation as a Bicycle Friendly Community

FUNDING:

Budget: \$ 0

Actual: \$ 0

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Meeting Minutes – Parks and Recreation Board – January 21, 2016
- 2) Meeting Minutes – Bicycle Friendly Community Committee – February 18, 2016
- 3) Meeting Minutes – Parks and Recreation Board – August 18, 2016

PRESENTATION: Yes No

**MINUTES
CITY OF PENSACOLA
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
City Hall
222 West Main Street, First Floor
Vince Whibbs Conference Room
Pensacola, FL 32502
January 21, 2016 8:00 am**

PRESENT: Jake Renfroe (Chairman), Paul Epstein, Hilary Gilles, Rand Hicks, David Mayo, Kimberly Sullivan (Quorum)

ABSENT: David Forte, Richard Sherrill, Maranda Sword

CITY COUNCIL: Council President Charles Bare

CITY STAFF: Brian Cooper (Parks and Recreation Director); Don Kraher (City Council Executive); Yolanda Reed-Fisher (Parks and Rec Admin. Officer I); Kim Carmody (Rec Superintendent); Jeremy Street (Rec Supervisor, Bayview Senior Center); Betsy Huhn (Rec Supervisor, Gull Point); Heidi Thorsen (Director's assistant); Bill Kimball (Parks Superintendent); Cheryl Fox (Athletics Superintendent); Tim Land (Volunteer and Outdoor Pursuits Coordinator)

CITIZENS: (None)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Renfroe.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

The meeting began with recognizing --

- City Council President Bare, and Council Executive Kraher.
- Assistant Thorsen is taking over Admin Officer Reed-Fisher's job of taking down the minutes for the Parks and Rec Board. Admin Officer Reed-Fisher will still be working for the City, just not for the Parks and Rec Board. Admin Officer Reed-Fisher was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for her work.
- New employee Rec Supervisor Street, Recreation Supervisor at Bayview Senior Center.

Board member Epstein made a motion for the board to approve the November 19, 2015 meeting minutes. Unanimous approval of the minutes, with no additions or corrections. (There was no meeting in December 2015.)

The board members will no longer be receiving their books. We will have a master copy of the agenda and minutes at the meetings. It was encouraged that the members print out the agenda items from the e-mail that is sent and put them in a book and bring them.

DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, PROJECT UPDATE

- Director Cooper mentioned that he asked Executive Kraher to be here to introduce him to the board.
 - When there is something that the board wants done, City staff will prepare a letter explaining what the board wants done, and send the letter with a copy of the meeting minutes and notes to Executive Kraher, and then the Parks and Rec department will leave it to the board and Executive Kraher to decide on how to proceed. Since items on the City Council agendas have to have a sponsor, Executive Kraher will meet with Council President and council members to decide who will sponsor the issue at a City Council meeting.
 - If it is something that requires Mayoral action, City staff will forward a letter upstairs to the City Administrator for his approval.
- Executive Kraher mentioned that on February 26 from 8:00 to 12:30 at Sanders Beach Community Center, the City Attorney's office is putting on a training that encompasses ethics, open records, and sunshine law. All boards created by the City Council are encouraged to attend.
- Director Cooper brought an update of ongoing projects
 - Andalusia and Granada Squares – the gazebos have been installed, sidewalks have been poured, picnic tables are arriving this week, the signs have arrived at the shop and are in the process of being painted, and will be installed. Volunteer Coordinator Land worked with a sorority from UWF and the Easthill Neighborhood Association to do a park clean up at both parks. Once all of this work is completed, there will be a ribbon cutting day.
 - Plantings are going in on Bayfront Parkway, also addressing some irrigation issues.
 - The Phragmite at Bayfront and Bayview is knocked down. Next will come the spraying.
 - During the last storm, there was some wash out at Sanders Beach and Bartram Park. Repairs are being made.
 - There will be some changes made in regards to the irrigation and landscaping at City Hall.
 - All of the centers [besides Vickrey] were closed at some point during the holidays to allow for cleaning, interior painting, and landscaping. This has made a difference and will be continued each December.
 - The sand at Gull Point and Bayview playgrounds has been replaced with mulch to make them ADA compliant.
 - Chairman Renfro asked Rec Superintendent Carmody if Vickrey is back open. Vickrey has been reopened. Participation at Vickrey should pick up when basketball season starts. Some changes were made in the meeting rooms to accommodate the different classes and groups that meet there.
 - Board Member Sullivan mentioned that she would like to see a list of the fitness classes available at each of the centers put online.
 - Correspondence received –
 - DIB holiday lights – we didn't have to install them, but we did provide assistance with electrical issues.
 - Vickrey was open during the holidays for camp, we received a nice letter from a citizen expressing their appreciation.
- Rec Superintendent Carmody gave an update on the Resource Centers.
 - Bayview and Gull Point centers have our highest attendance, and Gull Point brings in almost as much revenue as does Sanders Beach.

- Cobb and Fricker offer a play school program for children between ages 3 and 5 which is free of charge (registration is required). They have between 12 and 15 kids.
- Basketball is offered at Fricker, Malcolm Yonge, and Legion; 600-700 kids are registered for these programs; both competitive and recreational leagues are available.
- Everyday Cobb offers an after-school reading program run by a volunteer. The program runs from 3:00-3:30 and emphasizes vocabulary, pronunciation, and grammar.
- We are partnering with the Pensacola Police Department in sponsoring the Battle of the Badges (softball tournament between police and firemen) on March 12. We will be doing our Touch-A-Truck program while the tournament is being played. Public Works will provide some of their cleaned up large equipment for the children to get up close to. There will be food trucks and games.
- The following weekend will be our huge Easter Egg Hunt at Roger Scott athletic fields. We are anticipating about 3500 participants. The entrance fee is a can of food for Manna Food Bank.
- Rec Supervisor Street mentioned that senior adults meet to play lots of games, and some of them even participate in the fitness classes at Bayview Senior Center. One group he is really excited about is "The Rewinders". They meet the first Wednesday of every month. Their purpose is to encourage seniors to write their stories so that they will be preserved for future generations. He wants to bring more programs like that. He is looking to find a Program Specialist for Bayview Senior Center.
 - Board member Hicks asked if there would not be some way of posting some of their stories online.
- Rec Superintendent Carmody mentioned that the original floor at Bayview Senior is being replaced and should be completed soon.
- Rec Supervisor Huhn brought an update on our after school programs.
 - Gull Point also offers fitness classes for seniors.
 - The main program at Gull Point is dance, which incorporates ages 3-80+. There are other programs and groups that meet there as well.
 - After-school program which encompasses homework time, snack time, and organized play has grown into STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math). Each day is a different focus. The lessons are custom-made by the City's rec staff. What do Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math have to do with recreation? She provided examples of how they work together.
 - STEAM will be incorporated every day into Summer Camp. Summer Camp also offers opportunities to delve deeper into the subjects through the use of field trips and special speakers.
 - STEAM introduces the children to other areas they did not know existed, or that they thought they were not good at.
 - Currently STEAM is available at Gull Point, Cobb, Fricker, and Woodland Heights; Vickrey will be brought into the program during the summer.
 - We offer bus service from some schools to the centers for after-school care.
- Director Cooper thanked Rec Supervisor Huhn and her staff for their participation in Arbor Day on January 15. The City gave away 150 long-leaf pines to children in all of our community centers. Last year there were some planted in Parker Circle, and now they are over 6 feet tall. Chairman Renfro mentioned that Director Cooper's picture was in a newspaper article regarding Arbor Day.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- Bike Friendly Community –
 - Director Cooper – the letters mentioned in the November meeting have been delivered to both the Mayor and City Council. The Mayor has signed his letter and returned it showing his support.
 - The next step is to select a few people from the board and some bike enthusiasts from the community who would like to volunteer.
 - Council President Bare mentioned that some of the Council want to revive the “Complete Streets Initiative”. He sees Bike Friendliness and Complete Streets as something that can be done together, looking how everything interacts.
 - Director Cooper – this is a national designation. If we get denied, they will provide feedback into what needs to be done in order to receive the designation.
 - Further discussion followed as to who should be on the committee including citizen Mr. Curwen Price, board member Mayo, and citizen Mr. Tim Bustos, but no one was elected to serve. The application will require a City staff spokesperson that can contribute the needed information that the City could provide.
 - Assistant Thorsen will do the notifications of the meetings.
- Bike Racks for downtown –
 - Board member Epstein mentioned that there is no new information. Director Cooper and board member Epstein will meet to discuss the next steps. They will have something to present in the next meeting.
- Friends of the Parks --
 - Director Cooper mentioned board member Sullivan and he will meet with someone related, in order to review what the Friends of the Saenger did to get some direction from them as to how to proceed properly.

OPEN FORUM

- Volunteer Coordinator Land mentioned that citizen Dottie Dubisson and a group from Belmont-Devilliers worked together and did some planting in Wyers Park as an MLK Day project.
- Board member Mayo mentioned that they are gearing up for the 13th Annual Pensacola Open Wheelchair Championships. The status of Roger Scott Tennis Courts was brought up. We are waiting for LOST funds to become available in order to redo the courts, not just resurface them. One court is still shut down for tournament play, but is still available for lessons.
- We will keep the same relationship with the YMCA in regards to the pools during the summer.
 - Board member Epstein asked that we please put on next month’s agenda that we will discuss the pool hours and costs.
 - Chairman Renfroe mentioned that Hunter Pool needs some sort of sound system to call everyone in from the pool, especially in case of hazardous weather.

ADJOURNMENT

**MINUTES
CITY OF PENSACOLA
BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
City Hall
222 West Main Street, First Floor
Vince Whibbs Conference Room
Pensacola, FL 32502
February 18, 2016 10:00 am**

PRESENT: Parks and Recreation Board members Rand Hicks, David Mayo, and Richard Sherrill; Prospective Committee members Jeff Boulton, Tim Bustos, Bobby Cooley, John Ellis, Tim Fox, and Domenick Risola

CITY STAFF: Tim Land (Volunteer and Outdoor Pursuits Coordinator), Heidi Thorsen (Director's Assistant)

The meeting was called to order by Outdoor Coordinator Land.

All who attended agreed to serve on the committee, and were thus elected.

The meeting began with an overview of the Sunshine Laws, and everyone in attendance was encouraged to attend the Sunshine Law training to be held on February 26, 2016 at 8:00 am at Sanders Beach Community Center.

Board member Mayo and Mr. Tim Bustos were nominated to serve as chair for the committee. Discussion followed, and Board Member Mayo was selected to serve as chairperson for the committee.

Introductions of all of the members were as follows:

- David Mayo – Parks and Recreation Board member, and avid cyclist, tennis player, etc.
- Jeff Boulton – President of the West Florida Wheelmen (bicyclists).
- Tim Fox – Cyclist and West Florida Wheelmen board member. He helps put on the Pensacola Subway Classic Race and other races in the Southeast.
- John Ellis – Local business owner of a real estate company, cyclist, member of the Transportation Planning Organization.
- Rand Hicks – Parks and Recreation Board member, cyclist, and Pensacola resident since 1955.
- Richard Sherrill – Parks and Recreation Board member, lawyer, lives in North Hill and bikes frequently. He is interested in keeping biking safe. Would like to connect some of the parks with bike routes.
- Tim Land – Parks and Recreation staff, enjoys doing anything outdoors.
- Heidi Thorsen – Parks and Recreation staff, enjoys any sports with wheels.
- Tim Bustos – Avid bicyclist/pedestrian. He helped setup the criteria to become a Bicycle Friendly Community designation of the League of Bicycle Friendly America. He has worked with other cities to help them attain the designation of "Bicycle Friendly". He has started a non-profit called Bike Pensacola. He is an advocate for furthering education in bike safety.

- Domenick Risola – Works with Tri-Possibilities, a multi-sport coaching company, a USA Cycling coach, Vice President of West Florida Wheelmen. He believes the sidewalks are for pedestrians, not for cyclists. He grew up in Tampa Bay area which is more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.
- Bobby Cooley – Rode bike to school in a small Alabama town. Got into cycling as a form of fitness and believes cycling is not just for fanatics, but should include toddlers, and families as a form of recreation.

The Bicycle Friendly application is composed of 111 questions and is available online for review (<http://www.bikeleague.org/community>, scroll down and click on “Preview application”). Committee members were encouraged to review the application before the third meeting of the committee.

The application asks for a designated person called the “Bicycle Program Manager”. Board member Mayo made a motion to select Mr. Bustos for the position. The motion was seconded and passed.

Manager Bustos mentioned that we really would need to have a few more people on the committee, especially a City engineer, an actively serving City police officer, and a representative from the Escambia County School District to act as conduit between the committee and those other departments, and get their input. Various members mentioned that they will contact others to see if they will fill these spots on the committee.

After some discussion, the committee decided that a successful application will be to attain the “Bicycle Friendly” designation, not necessarily any of the special level designations. Applications generally are rejected two to three times before passing. Each time the League gives valuable feedback on how to improve.

The committee would like to encourage other groups to attend their meetings.

Date of March 3, 2016 at 8:00 am was set as the next meeting for the committee. City Staff will be secure the location and provide the needed notifications. During this meeting Manager Bustos will present a bicycle primer covering terminology, laws, etc.

By the following meeting (after March 3) members are encouraged to review the application and be ready to answer the questions they can.

ADJOURNMENT

**MINUTES
CITY OF PENSACOLA
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
City Hall
222 West Main Street, First Floor
Vince Whibbs Conference Room
Pensacola, FL 32502
August 18, 2016 8:00 am**

PRESENT: Paul Epstein (Chairman); Hilary Gilles; Rand Hicks; David Mayo; Kimberly Sullivan; Miranda Sword; Whitney Voeltz; and Ed Wonders

ABSENT: David Forte

CITY STAFF: Kim Carmody (Recreation Superintendent); Brian Cooper (Parks and Recreation Director); Cheryl Fox (Athletics Superintendent); Bill Kimball (Parks Superintendent); Don Kreher (Council Executive); Heidi Thorsen (Director's Assistant); Tonya Vaden (Marketing Coordinator)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Epstein. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2016 meeting by Board member Mayo, and was seconded by Board member Hicks. They were unanimously approved.

DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, PROJECT UPDATE

- Director Cooper brought his report.
 - The playground in Camelot Park has been replaced from the playground was vandalized, and should be operational by the weekend.
 - We've re-beautified the CSX property (old Beacon store). The City has leased that property for years.
 - Director Cooper and Superintendent Carmody was able to get Vickrey Resource Center as a bus stop for the Escambia County School System. Right now they have 30 riders from Cordova Park and N. B. Cook Elementary schools.
 - The numbers at Gull Point did not go down when Vickrey reopened (after the flood).
 - The new concessionaire, PJ's Court Side Café, is now open at Roger Scott Tennis Center. Encouraged all to stop by for lunch.
 - The Senior Games will be September 10-25. A couple new sports have been added this year – Archery and Corn Hole (bean bag toss).
 - Blues on the Bay will be this Sunday at the Community Maritime Park Amphitheatre. "Reunion Band" is scheduled to perform.
 - Soccer registration is winding up.
 - We have Initial drawings for Bill Gregory Park, storm water plan. Public Works is doing this. It will benefit the park as well as increase capacity of Maggie's Ditch on W Street.
 - After the storm water project is completed at the Corrine Jones Park, we will be adding a playground.
 - The Architect Selection Committee for Bayview Resource Center has been selected by the Mayor. They will be meeting August 22. They are strictly picking the architect, not making any structural decisions. The architects that have submitted are both local and national.

- FMC Financial (new owners of the Knights of Columbus building) has helped make extensive renovations to Ft. George (on Palafox, north of Wright St.). They will pay for the contractor to maintain the Park. Everything they have done meets approval from the Historic Trust. They want to put a recording that tells the history of the Fort, and the City will not have to pay for it.
- Director Cooper presented the budget report. Everything looks good. A lot of the members left Osceola due to the flood, and joined other clubs, we are seeing them return. There are no problems with the concessionaire at the Golf Course. Summer camps are over.
 - Superintendent Fox mentioned
 - This year we had three basketball camps, a volleyball camp, and two soccer summer camps.
 - They had a girl's fast-pitch softball exposure camp, where juniors and seniors can get recognized by universities in order to obtain scholarships.
 - Fall football and cheerleading have kicked off.
 - Starting September/October, registration for Fall Leagues will be online. The online registration should be fully integrated in six months, and will encompass all activities besides rentals. Parent run leagues will still be handled by those leagues. It will be using the software program that we already use for our recreation centers.
 - Director Cooper further mentioned
 - Pensacola Sports will be putting in a bid for hosting the National State College World Series at Exchange Park.
 - We suffered no real damages from the recent rains, a little bit of erosion around Hunter Pool.
 - We are doing internships with PAL/ARC. We currently have them at Vickrey and Gull Point, and we will be adding them at Fricker and Bayview Senior Center. They intern for 6 weeks to 3 months.
 - Our snack grant is fully available at all centers. We are coordinating with the Bay Area Food Bank which saves us \$20,000.00 annually in snack money.
- Superintendent Kimball brought a presentation about the Parks.
 - The Parks division has an annual budget of \$2,288,300.00. It is divided into three groups – Parks crew, Tree crew, and Trash crew. They have 16 full-time and 5 part-time staff.
 - 97% of all City residents live within a ½ mile radius of a park.
 - The Parks crew maintains 138 areas throughout the City, 92 parks and facilities, and 46 right of ways and open spaces, which incorporates more than 600 acres of park/open space.
 - There are 58 parks with playground structures, 23 parks with outdoor basketball courts, four parks with boat launches, four parks with tennis courts, two parks with dog parks, and one park with a splash pad.
 - The Trash crew collects 110 areas throughout the city, emptying 1600 cans every week. They are also responsible for filling the dog waste bags as well.
 - The Tree crew is responsible for trimming and removal of all trees that are in parks and right of ways of the City. They also review trees and issue permits for the removal of trees. Approximately 100 permits are issued each year.

NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

OLD BUSINESS

- **Baars Park update**
 - We will have our tree crew trim up the trees so that the mowing contractor can mow underneath them. This will help retake some of the park back from its over-grown-ness.
 - Cycle-cross is getting ready to kick off again. They are very good at leaving the park the way it was found.
- **Bike Advisory Committee update**
 - Board member Mayo brought an update. The application was submitted last week. Within a month or two they should be notified of our status. If approved, the City will need to pay for the signs specifying that we are a Bicycle Friendly Community.
 - Board member Hicks mentioned that Board member Mayo has made a wonderful chairperson for the committee.
 - Board member Hicks brought the following motion:
 - "I move that we continue the Bicycle Advisory Committee, and that David Mayo continue as chair."
 - The motion was seconded by Board member Voeltz. Discussion followed. It is assumed that the same people who are presently on the committee, will continue. An email will be sent to all of the members and regular contributors (Ryan Novata (Public Works), Leslie Statler (Planning), and Casandra Waller (Escambia County School Board) asking if they'd like to continue on the committee. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Bike Racks for downtown**
 - Director Cooper mentioned that we have a packet which is ready to be forwarded to the Board members. So we can move forward on this project. The packet will be emailed to board members.
- **Friends of the Parks**
 - Director Cooper mentioned that a way has been found to take donations from citizens, so the "Friends of the Park" will not need to be formed.

OPEN FORUM

- September 23 is Water Safety day. This event is sponsored by the Pensacola Association of Realtors, and will be conducted at Hunter Pool. Normally we have this in May, but we've moved ours to September so that UWF can have theirs in May.

ADJOURNMENT