RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES SYNOPSIS
December 11, 2019 – 8:30 a.m.
Jerry Hammond Building
1111 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43205

Call to Order
8:45 a.m.

Present
Commissioners: Derrick Clay, Gregory Lee, Dave Paul, Karla Rothan and Terri TerMeer
Staff: Eric Brandon, Stephanie Brock, Anthony Brodie, Kelsey Ellingsen, Troy Euton, Sophia Fifner, Elaine Hostetler, Jim Miller, Craig Murphy, Kimber Perfect, Paul Rakosky, and Bernita Reese

Guest(s): Geoff Dew, and Roy Wentzel

Previous Board Meeting Minutes
On a motion made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner TerMeer the November meeting minutes were unanimously accepted.

Old Business
None

New Business
A. Remarks from Office of ProTem Elizabeth Brown
   - Budget Hearing at Barnett Community Center, December 11th @ 10:00a
   - “Meet Me at the Playground” will continue in 2020
   - Community Feedback Received:
     o Tree Removals
     o Community working with Street Artists

B. Remarks from Deputy Chief of Staff, Kimber Perfect
   - Mayor Ginther is hosting “Family Fun Day” on January 4th, 9:00a-12:00p at the Franklin Park Adventure Center

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Ord #3089-2019 (COSI 2019)
   Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into an agreement with the Franklin County Historical Society (dba COSI) for the purpose of providing a subsidy payment to COSI; to authorize the transfer of $150,000.00 from the
General Fund to the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; to authorize the appropriation of $150,000.00 within the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; and to authorize the expenditure of $150,000.00 from and within the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund. ($150,000.00)

**Title:** To authorize and direct the City Auditor to establish a certificate in the amount of $100,000.00 to purchase items such as tables, chairs, televisions and any and all other items necessary for the operation of the clubhouse; and to authorize the expenditure of $100,000.00 from the Golf Course Capital funds. ($100,000.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner TerMeer the Commission unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

**ADMINISTRATION AGENDA**

3. Ord #3205-2019 (Griggs Boathouse Stormwater BMP’s)  
**Title:** To authorize and direct the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Righter Company for the Griggs Boathouse Stormwater BMP project; and to authorize the expenditure of $74,950.00 from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. ($74,950.00)

4. Ord #3226-2019 (Berliner Utility Improvements)  
**Title:** To authorize and direct the Recreation and Parks Department Director to enter into contract with Trucco Construction Co. for the Lou Berliner Park Utility Service Improvements; to authorize the expenditure of $800,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. ($800,000.00)

5. Ord #3249-2019 (Sawyer Center Sublease 2019-2020)  
**Title:** To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a sublease agreement with the Community for New Direction Incorporation to occupy, provide services and manage the first and second floor of the Sawyer Recreation Center, located at 1000 Atcheson St., Columbus, Ohio 43204; and to declare an emergency.

On a motion made by Commissioner Paul and seconded by Commissioner TerMeer the Commission unanimously approved the Administration Agenda.

**CRP Foundation Update**  
- Commissioner Rothan reviewed the stakeholder list with New Executive Director  
- Thank you to Sophia Fifner for all the work that she’s done

**Division Updates**  
- Community Relations, Community Relations Chief Sophia Fifner  
  - School’s Out information is starting to be disbursed
Sponsors are assisting with the Holiday Parties taking place at the Community Centers

- Parks Maintenance & Operations, Assistant Director Troy Euton
  - Forestry Master Plan kicked off
  - Currently in the middle of planting trees, to date 750 trees have been planted
  - Big Run Park is slowly becoming a hardwood park
  - OSU is moving out of West Case Road property; Recreation and Parks locks are on the houses

- Recreation & Program Services, Assistant Director Bernita Reese
  - Therapeutic member was nominated nationally for soccer training for the visually impaired
  - Fitness Resolution is on January 11th
  - Silver Sneakers program is being expanded with Silver Fit
  - Mario Dovell was selected as a “Community Hero” and was awarded at a National Conference
  - Center Manager, Mike Terlecky, is receiving an award today. The Harmony Project is honoring Sullivant Gardens Community Center

- Youth & Family Development, Assistant Director Eric Brandon
  - Compiling year end reports and data for 2019
  - VCRG and YFS are working together, YFS is taking the lead in 2020
  - Youth attended “Youth in Government” at the State House. One of the youth from our group was voted as Lt. Governor
  - “Adopt a Family”, Saturday, December 14th at Beatty Community Center, 4:00p-6:00p

**Director’s Comments**
- Thank you to the Commissioners who attended the CRPD Holiday Luncheon and those who have been spending time in the community
- Thank you to the EVRC

**Commission Comments**
- Commissioner Paul would like to have a Google Calendar for the Commissioners with all Recreation and Parks events listed

**Adjournment**
On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Paul the December Commission meeting was adjourned at 9:40a.