

ERC MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 26, 2015

Attendance: Mindy Piantanida, Leo Donnelly, Kenny Simunovic, Brian Henry, Dave Gustafson, Rene' Raymond, and Holly Lundgren.

Guest: Tom Orehowsky, Race Consultant

Meeting opened at 9:12 am.

Public Works and Utilities:

- Gary: The grass is in need of remediation at the Amphitheater as a result of all the foot traffic during the Regatta. Some suggestions for crushed shell and planters were discussed.
- The staging area and rehab of the concrete (outside slopes of bowl): to do it properly, it may cost approximately \$50k. Claude asked Dave if it should be done this year or wait until next year because of budget constraints. Currently, there are only two (2) skate competitions per year. Permanent seating was discussed. Dave plans to interview the skaters this weekend at the event to gain feedback regarding a seating perspective. The cracks in the bowl have been sealed. The quarterly pressure washing is planned for next week.
- Banners: City events take priority, then the Pirates, Realize Bradenton, and all others on a first come first serve basis.
- There will be a separate meeting on March 10th to discuss improvements to Riverwalk and event venues. This will help plan for budgeting infrastructure improvements.
- Palmetto has a workshop on March 2nd regarding the Regatta.

Post Event Review:

- Main Street Live. The event went well overall.
- Southeastern Guide Dogs: the event holder was very pleased with the event and they can't wait to come back again next year.

Event Review and Collaboration:

- Music in the Park: just set up and breakdown from Solid Waste as usual. One Officer needed.
- Shamrock 5K: Tom had a very productive meeting with Fit 2 Run and the Event Holder. They are having barricades donated by the County and we hope they are having them picked up after the event. Holly shared a concern about the Farmer's Market ending at 3:30 and Shamrock is scheduled to set up at 11 in the same area. ERC asked the Event Holder to call Peg from the Farmer's Market; however, that phone call did not yet take place. Peg tried contacting the Event Holder. Holly suggested updating the information for the Event Holders to let them know they need to contact Peg if there is an overlap of time. Brian suggested using internal calendars; however, our outside partners would not be able to access that information. Shamrock 5k will be setting up 5 tents. Peg is working with the Event Holder. Rene will contact the Event Holder to finalize details. Tom recommended 8 Officers and 20 adult volunteers. It's a busy time of year for the security draw because of events with the Pirates and other things happening. Dave G

opened discussion for private security as a solution. Claude suggested looking at the ordinance regarding police on city streets. Leo will look into it and report back to the team.

- Delivery trucks on Main St.: there was a brainstorming session with multiple city divisions regarding a temporary loading zone on 4th (both east and west sides).
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Big Car Show: they will be visiting the ERC meeting next week. They are aware of the electrical schematics of the area.
- Dragonboats: they might be renting floating docks from Benderson. They might want to attach them to our docks. Dave G is letting Mike Kirkman know to contact Public Works regarding the logistic.
- Art Slam: the street closure needs to be amended to 7 pm instead of 4 pm. Rene will be submitting a consent agenda item.
- Embracing Our Differences: there is a conflict of time with Pickin' Picnic regarding setup and breakdown of their equipment. There was a conflict last year as well. He will just need to remove the banners in the main pavilion area.

Miscellaneous:

- Verizon building: we should be getting the contract back from Verizon this week. It should be approximately 7 panels going on the building.

Meeting adjourned 10:25 am.