

**MINUTES
CITY OF ORMOND BEACH
QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

April 4, 2019

5:00 PM

**City of Ormond Beach
Training Room
22 South Beach Street
Ormond Beach, Florida**

1) Call to Order

Dr. Shapiro called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members present were: John Adams, Peggy Hart, William Masters, Troy Railsback, Dr. Philip Shapiro and Margaret Sharifi. Absent was Ali Mehrabian.

Staff present was: Assistant City Manager Claire Whitley, Assistant Leisure Services Director Stefan Sibley and Recording Secretary Shá Moss.

2) Approval of Minutes – February 7, 2019

Corrections were made to the minutes by Dr. Shapiro.

Mr. Adams moved seconded by Mr. Masters to accept the minutes of the February 7, 2019 meeting, as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center Renovation Project

Dr. Shapiro introduced Carol Wharton.

Carol Wharton, 2937 S. Atlantic Avenue #1508, Daytona Beach, a Friends of the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center (PAC) member, stated the PAC was very welcoming to citizens and groups and is heavily used. She gave a little history on the building and noted 18 years was a long time without undergoing renovations since the City acquired the property. She noted the Friends wanted to update the entrance way of the PAC, to include the entrance, the hallway and the canopy. Ms. Wharton stated the auditorium did not need renovations, but would ask the City to look at the other areas of the facility, such as the HVAC, electrical, landscaping and ADA compliant issues. She

noted the PAC exhibited the artwork of special needs children, was a meeting space and a community facility. She noted the project would also include a competition for the graphic design. The renovations would include more lighting, wood like tile floors, brighter paint, a donor wall, in addition to lobby seating and the railing was not ADA compliant.

Ms. Wharton stated the cost would probably be about \$600,000 and should last for another 20 years. There would be fund raising campaigns and membership drives. She asked for the Board's support on the concept so that they could move forward with the fund raising.

Dr. Shapiro asked would there be physical renovations done; wherein Ms. Wharton answered that it would not be a lot.

Ms. Wharton stated you never know what is behind a wall, but they were not renovating the rest of the facility.

Dr. Shapiro asked whether there would be any future maintenance cost; wherein Ms. Wharton stated there should not be any maintenance costs.

Mr. Adams asked whether the renovations included the entire common area and noted that maintenance costs should be at a minimum when using new materials.

Barbara Wolfson, 4 Echo Woods Way, a Friends of the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center (PAC) member, stated the renovations would include the hallways, the gallery and the box office.

Dr. Shapiro stated what he heard was, funds would be raised privately for the project and the maintenance cost would decline.

Assistant Leisure Services Director Stefan Sibley stated the Friends were working with staff on the renovation project.

Ms. Wharton stated she hoped the City would also contribute financially.

Mr. Masters asked how the artist competition would work.

Ms. Wharton answered the completion would be throughout Volusia County and all ideas would be brought to the table. They would also work with the architect from Ormond Beach that worked on the CiCi & Hyatt Brown Museum of Art.

Mr. Sibley stated at a previous meeting they discussed selecting a local artist for a digital version of their art work, which will be an ongoing project for the community.

Dr. Shapiro stated the PAC is showing its age and it was time for renovations. This is a project that may take some time.

Mr. Adams moved seconded by Ms. Sharifi that the Quality of Life Advisory Board endorses the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center Renovation Project. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Shapiro stated since the Board would be reviewing the CIP at the next meeting, he noted this project would not be something on the list.

Mr. Sibley agreed that this project was not on the current CIP.

Dr. Shapiro thanked Ms. Wharton for her presentation.

4) Audience Remarks

Linda Williams, 131 Bosarvey Drive, asked whether the Board handled environmental and air quality issues.

Dr. Shapiro stated to some degree the Board discussed environmental issues as well as aesthetics, but what gets referred for discussion comes from staff or the City Commission. He recommended Ms. Williams speak with staff or the Commissioners regarding bringing anything to the Board.

5) Member Comments

David Hood

Dr. Shapiro commented on former Mayor David Hood funeral service and the amount of people that attended. He noted that Mr. Hood created the Quality of Life Advisory Board by consolidating other Boards back in 1995.

Meeting Time Change

Dr. Shapiro appreciated the early meeting time change.

Next Meeting

Dr. Shapiro noted the CIP would be discussed at the next meeting. The Board typically discusses three areas and could discuss anything else in the CIP. A quorum was necessary for the meeting.

6) Adjournment – Next Meeting – June 6, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shá Moss, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Dr. Philip J. Shapiro, Chairman