TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS



TOWN COMMISSION MEETING Wednesday, March 6, 2024

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

The Town has applied for funding through the annual CDBG program, as it does every year. This year the Town was eligible to apply for a total of \$394,882 (a combination of the annual allocation, which is \$47,704 and the Special Area of Hope allocation, which is estimated at \$347,178). Funds will be allocated for the architectural design and engineering services required to **design** and deliver 100% construction-ready project plans, including the complete design of the aquatic center and the complete **design** of the community center building and all associated site work and parking required by both recreational projects. Funding will also help support the **construction** of the aquatic center facility, including the swimming pool and pool equipment building, as well as the **construction** of all site work and parking required by both recreational projects.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Reminders

- The 3D concrete printing facility site visits in Wellington are scheduled for tomorrow,
 March 7, 2024 from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. The Town Commission and Staff members have received a calendar invitation for the visits.
- The Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) workshop is being held on **March 27** at 6 p.m. here at Town Hall. Notifications to all single-family zoning district property owners will be mailed next week.

754 Park Avenue

We received an update today in that a complete permit submittal to complete the building exterior and site work will be submitted this week. Once it is, staff will move it forward as quickly as possible.

700/748 Park Avenue

This property is owned by the same owner of 754 Park Avenue. The owner's contractor also informed us today that they intend in improving the aesthetics of this building as well and this permit application will be submitted this week also. Part of the renovations will include a proposal to remove all of the expired murals.

HUMAN RESOURCES

We are pleased to introduce our new Public Works Director, Jaime Morales. Mr. Morales has a Bachelor's Degree from the Interamerican University of Puerto Rico in Business Administration and Finance as well as a Master's Degree in Business Administration and Marketing from the same university. He is the former Assistant Public Works Director for St. Lucie County and former Assistant Public Works Director for Pasco County. He has significant experience in overall administration planning and coordination of public works functions, as well as directing multiple divisions infrastructure maintenance, cycle-based maintenance strategies, flood control and water quality management. We are very pleased to welcome Mr. Morales to our team.

The following open positions are being advertised:

- Groundskeeper Hourly rate: \$16.51 to \$26.42
- Library Assistant/Children's -- Hourly rate: \$15.43 to \$24.69
- Maintenance Worker -- Hourly rate: \$18.91 to \$30.25
- Community Development Technician Hourly rate: \$18.91 to \$30.25
- Sanitation Truck Operator I -- Hourly rate: \$18.91 to \$30.25
- Sanitation Truck Operator II -- Hourly rate: \$21.65 to \$34.63
- Dock Attendant Hourly rate: \$18.91 to \$30.25
- Operations Manager Salary range: \$59,014.54 to \$94,423.27 per year
- Senior Accountant Salary range: \$59,014.54 to \$94,423.27 per year
- Finance Director Salary range: \$115,002.64 to \$184,004.23 per year

All of the above positions are open until filled.

The following volunteers are needed for the Lake Park Public Library:

- Tutors for one-on-one English language learning
- Tutors for one-on-one basic computer and digital literacy
- Data entry
- Shelving
- Facilitator for English Exchange Group

To view the complete job posting for the above positions or volunteer opportunities or to download an employment or volunteer application, please visit the Town's official website at www.lakeparkflorida.gov. For additional information please contact the Town's Human Resources Department at 561-881-3300 and choose Option 8.

LIBRARY

Every Saturday through **Saturday**, **April 13** (except March 30), the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program volunteers will be at the Library to provide free tax assistance. This program is open to anyone interested in receiving help to file their income taxes. The program starts at 10 a.m. on a first-come, first-served basis, it is best to get there early.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Community Greening Tree Giveaway

The Town of Lake Park is partnering with Community Greening to pass out 150 FREE TREES to Lake Park residents. The event will be held on **Saturday, March 9** starting at 9:00 am, at Kelsey Park. Trees will be passed out on a first-come, first-served basis, with a limit of two trees per household. For more information, contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160.

Tour De Lake Park

Enjoy a fun ride with family and friends to learn about historic Lake Park on **Saturday, March 23** in honor of Florida Bicycle Month. Participants must be 12 years of age or older and are asked to meet at Town Hall at 1:30 pm with their bicycles, helmets and water bottles. The tour will begin at 2:00 pm with stops throughout the Town. For more information please contact Mayor Roger Michaud at 561-921-5253.

Sunset Celebration

Sunset Celebration will be held on **Friday, March 29** from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at the Lake Park Harbor Marina. This month's event will feature live entertainment from PRATO Band! There will be a full bar, happy hour prices, and a variety of food and craft vendors. For more information, contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160.

Easter Eggstravaganza

The Town of Lake Park will host its annual Easter Eggstravaganza on **Saturday, March 30** from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at Kelsey Park. There will be egg hunts for children 3-10 years old, free photos with the Easter Bunny, children's activities, music, raffle prizes, face painting and much more. For more information please contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160.

ALLISON DUDLEY, LOBBYIST FOR PALM BEACH SHORES — The Town of Palm Beach Shores has secured funding in the amount of 1 million dollars as part of the water resource budget to dredge between 60,000-80,000 cubic yards of sand material. We will enter into an Interlocal Agreement to manage the project and receive the material for increases to the elevation of the Marina and Kelsey Park. Also, our vulnerability assessment requires the Town to raise the existing seawalls (8 miles) by three feet. Further, since developer Peter Baytarian paid for the services of Lobbyist Allison Dudley in the amount of \$70,000, the Interlocal Agreement will reflect a reimbursement to the private developer to use the material for public use.

MOBILITY LEGISLATION – Both the House and Senate passed mobility legislation limiting one fee to be paid by Developers. The payment of the fee would be collected by the entity issuing the building permit. Legislation also requires an Interlocal Agreement between the Town and County covering the maintenance repair or upgrade to County roads in the jurisdiction that the County roads pass through.



SAT, MARCH 9TH 9AM Kelsey Park 601 FEDERAL HWY, LAKE PARK

Tour de Lake Park

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

Join us on a fun ride with family and friends to learn about historic Lake Park in honor of Florida Bicycle Month

Meet at Town Hall (535 Park Avenue) at 1:30 PM
Pedals up at 2:00 PM
Participants must be 12 years of age or older
Bring your bike, helmet, and water bottle

For more information, please contact Mayor Roger Michaud at 561-921-5253



SUNSET CELEBRATION

FREE MUSIC CONCERT FEATURING



FOOD VENDORS * CASH BAR * ART & CRAFT VENDORS * HAPPY HOUR FREE ADMISSION & PARKING * NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINKS

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM LAKE PARK HARBOR MARINA 105 LAKE SHORE DRIVE LAKE PARK, FL 33403

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 561-840-0160 OR EMAIL SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV



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ADMISSION AND PARKING ARE FREE BRING YOUR EASTER BASKETS EGG HUNTS FOR CHILDREN 3-10 YEARS OLD FREE PHOTOS WITH THE EASTER BUNNY MUSIC, GAMES, FACE PAINTING, RAFFLE PRIZES

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