



TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS

Exhibit B

TOWN COMMISSION MEETING **Wednesday, September 6, 2023**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Oceana Coffee at 1301 10th Street is receiving their master permit this week. Site work/construction is estimated to commence next week. They are on schedule and have complied with the dates prescribed in their CRA grant agreement up until this point.
- All of the office warehouse buildings west of the railroad tracks have either received a final certificate of completion or a temporary certificate of completion. Some interior units have also commenced or completed buildout for end users.
- Staff would like to know if the Commission is interested in Staff bringing back a discussion on Accessory Dwelling Units. If so, a discussion item can be placed on a future agenda sometime in November or December.
- Staff would like to know if the Commission is interested in Staff bringing forward a proposed ORD that regulates Golf Carts in the Town.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Job Openings:

The Town is currently advertising to fill the following positions:

- Library Assistant – Children's. Hourly rate \$12.98 to \$20.12. Deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m. on **September 8, 2023**.
- Irrigation Technician. Hourly rate \$17.01 to \$26.37. Deadline for receipt of application is 5:00 p.m. on **September 15, 2023**.
- Stormwater Technician II – Hourly rate \$18.21 to \$28.22. Deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m. on **September 19, 2023**.

To view the complete job posting for the above position or to download an employment 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.

PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department is excited to announce that fabrication of the much-anticipated **Town Hall Monument Sign** is underway. On site construction activities and sign installation are expected to begin during the week of **September 18, 2023**.

Additionally, we are happy to report that the new playground equipment for **Ilex Park** was recently delivered and is currently being installed. The department expects to complete all work for the Phase I improvements by **October 7, 2023**, after which, the park will reopen for public use.

PROPOSED PROCLAMATIONS

Seeking Town Commission consensus to place the items below as Proclamations on a future Town Commission Meeting Agenda.

- Banned Books Week is October 1 through October 7. Given that book challenges have risen sharply and more challenges have been recorded in 2022 than in any other year since the American Library Association started keeping track of challenges more than twenty years ago, this is a good time to remind our residents that “Free people read freely”, that the freedom to read is essential to our democracy, and that reading is among our greatest freedoms.
- National Friends of the Library Week is October 15 through October 21 this year. The proclamation request is to honor those Friends who have helped at the library through the years and to raise awareness of the Friends and promote membership.
- Florida Climate Week is October 2-8, 2023 a representative of VoLo Foundation, a private Florida-based family organization, has brought the request for a Proclamation to the attention of Mayor Michaud. The purpose is to unite industry leaders, front-line advocates, businesses, and individuals alike to address the urgency of the climate crises and its impact on our state. The focus of Florida Climate Week is on solutions to reduce carbon emissions and create more resilient communities. This organization would like to recognize the first Monday of the month, October 2, 2023 as Florida Climate Week for the Town of Lake Park.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Centennial Art & Music Festival

The Town will host the Centennial Art & Music Festival on **Saturday, September 23** from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Park Avenue. There will be art, craft, food and beverage vendors. As well as live entertainment, games, activities, face painting and more. Admission and parking are free. For more information, contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160.

Sunset Celebration

The Sunset Celebration will be held on **Friday, September 29** from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Lake Park Harbor Marina. This month's event will feature live entertainment from The Samantha Russell 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.

Banned Books Week

WHEREAS, the freedom to read is essential to our democracy, and reading is among our greatest freedoms; and

WHEREAS, privacy is essential to the exercise of that freedom, and the right to privacy is the right to open inquiry without having the subject of one's interest examined or scrutinized by others; and

WHEREAS, the freedom to read is protected by our Constitution; and

WHEREAS some individuals, groups, and public authorities work to remove or limit access to reading materials, to censor content in schools, to label "controversial" views, to distribute lists of "objectionable" books or authors, and to purge libraries of materials reflecting the diversity of society; and

WHEREAS, both governmental intimidation and the fear of censorship cause authors who seek to avoid controversy to practice self-censorship, thus limiting our access to new ideas; and

WHEREAS, every silencing of a heresy, every enforcement of an orthodoxy, diminishes the toughness and resilience of American society and leaves it less able to deal with controversy and difference; and

WHEREAS, Americans still favor free enterprise in ideas and expression, and can be trusted to exercise critical judgment, to recognize propaganda and misinformation, and to make their own decisions about what they read and believe, and to exercise the responsibilities that accompany this freedom; and

WHEREAS, intellectual freedom is essential to the preservation of a free society and a creative culture; and

WHEREAS, conformity limits the range and variety of inquiry and expression on which our democracy and our culture depend; and

WHEREAS, the American Library Association's Banned Books Week: Celebrating the Freedom to Read is observed during the last week of September each year as a reminder to Americans not to take their precious freedom for granted; and

WHEREAS, Banned Books Week celebrates the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular and stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the _____ Library celebrates the American Library Association's Banned Books Week, (Insert Dates Here), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the _____ Library encourages all libraries and
bookstores to acquire and make available materials representative of all the people in our society;
and be it further

RESOLVED, that the _____ Library encourages free people to read freely,
now and forever.

Adopted by the _____ Library

Date

City, State

National Friends of Libraries Week
Friends of the Lake Park Public Library

Whereas, Friends of the **Lake Park Public** Library raise money that enables our library to move from good to great -- providing the resources for additional programming, much needed equipment, support for children's summer reading, and special events throughout the year;

Whereas, the work of the Friends highlights, on an on-going basis, the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community, providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of life-long learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to present;

Whereas, the Friends understand the critical importance of well-funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research, readers' advisory, and children's services;

Whereas, the Friends' gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all in how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Roger Michaud, Mayor of Lake Park, Florida proclaims October 15-21, 2023, as Friends of Libraries week in **Lake Park, Florida** and urges everyone to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community so much better.



CENTENNIAL ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

LAKE PARK ARTS DISTRICT

DOWNTOWN PARK AVENUE

LAKE PARK, FL 33403

**ART, CRAFT, FOOD & BEVERAGE VENDORS
LIVE MUSICAL PERFORMANCES
GAMES * ACTIVITIES * CHILDREN'S AREA
FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

**THIS EVENT IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MONTHLY
RUST MARKET. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO
BECOME A VENDOR OR VOLUNTEER CONTACT
THE SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT AT 561-840-0160
OR EMAIL SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV**





VENDORS WANTED

CENTENNIAL ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Town of Lake Park is looking for art, craft, food and beverage vendors to participate in the Centennial Art & Music Festival on Saturday, September 23 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM in downtown Lake Park.

Art vendors and craft vendors include any persons who sell original, hand-made or embellished items including, but not limited to, ceramics, graphics, drawings, paintings, jewelry, handbags, clothing, accessories, photographs, and sculptures.

Food vendors and beverage vendors include any persons who sell, food and beverage items, including, but not limited to, appetizers, side dishes, soups, salads, main dishes, snacks, desserts, non-alcoholic beverages, liquor, beer and/or wine.

Vendors must submit a vendor application and pay all fees by September 13, 2023. Vendor spots are limited and will be selected on a first come, first served basis. Vendors will be responsible for providing their own tents, tables, chairs, signs and other materials needed. Power/electricity will not be provided. All vendors must provide the necessary permits, licenses and certificates of insurance, as outlined on the vendor application.

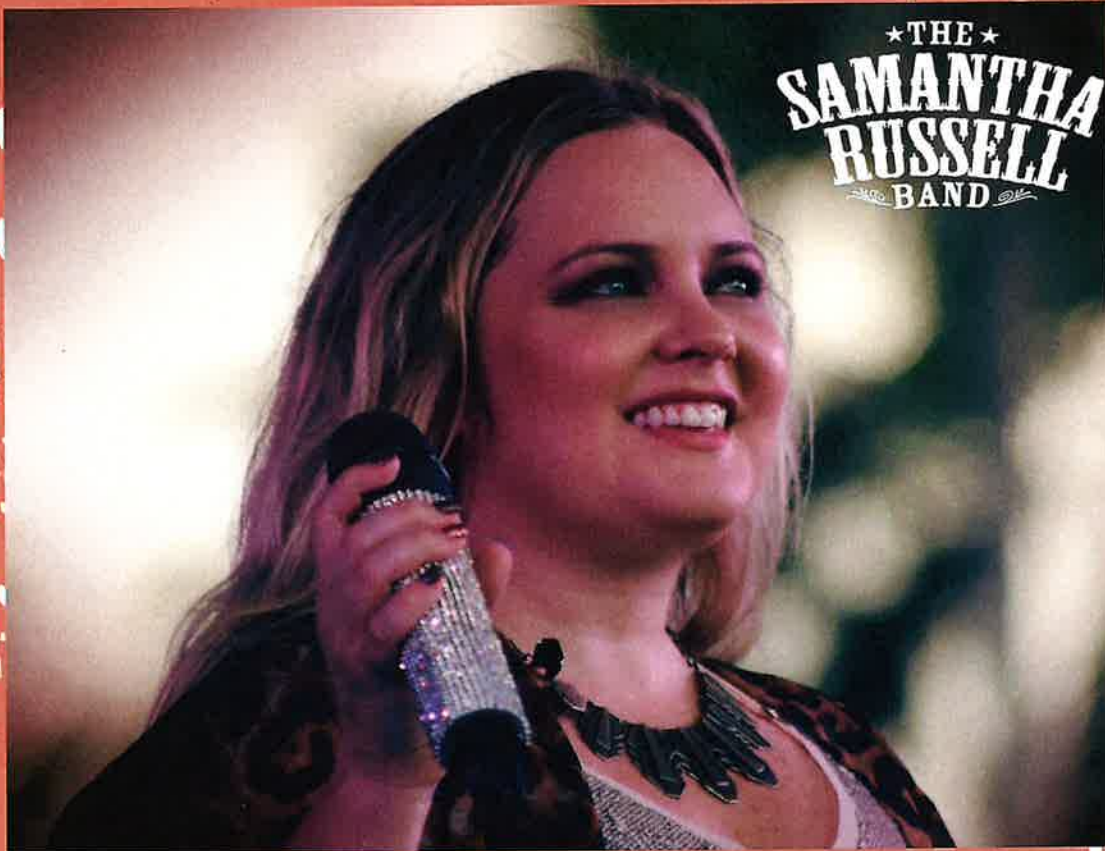
For more information and to obtain a vendor application please contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160, email specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov, or visit us online at www.lakeparkflorida.gov.



SUNSET CELEBRATION

FREE MUSIC CONCERT

FEATURING



LIVE MUSIC * HAPPY HOUR * FOOD VENDORS
FREE ADMISSION & PARKING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

LAKE PARK HARBOR MARINA

105 LAKE SHORE DRIVE

LAKE PARK, FL 33403

NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINKS

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CALL 561-840-0160 OR EMAIL

SPEZIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV

