TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS

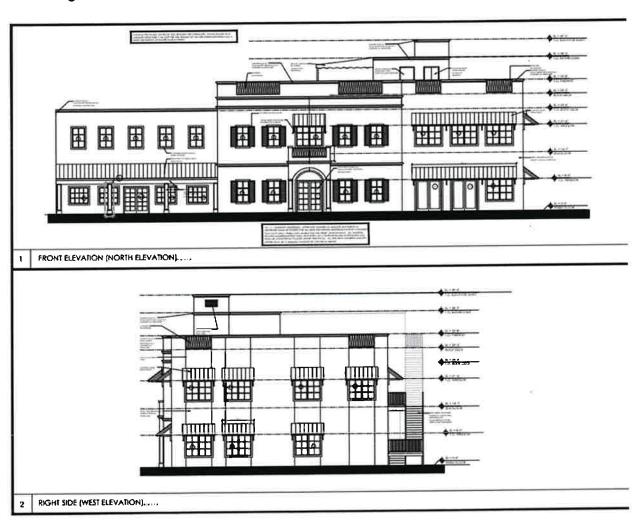


TOWN COMMISSION MEETING Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Exhibit A

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

<u>754 Park Avenue</u>: The permit submittal for the exterior improvements to the building and the site was submitted on March 17. The review initiated on March 18 and the first round of comments will be issued by next week. Here is a glimpse of their revised elevations that still meet the general intent of their initial approval, and have been improved as well:



Shopping Carts: Code Compliance has been monitoring and enforcing shopping carts throughout the Town for months. While this still continues to be an issue at some properties and for some retailers, all stores are cooperating. The Code Officers reported that Publix, Aldi, PetSmart and Lowes are in full compliance. While we may see the occasional cart, they are working with Code to eliminate them if they resurface throughout the Town. Walmart and Target have the largest number of customers who bring their carts offsite, with Walmart being

the largest. Both stores are working closely with Code Compliance and have developed draft compliance plan with short-term and long-term strategies. While their carts have lessened in the community, this is still a work in progress. They are now scheduled for a Special Magistrate Hearing in May. In the interim, we are working with them on finalizing their compliance plans and Code will continue to monitor.

Live Local Act Ordinance & Kelsey on Park Site Plan Submittal: The applicant for the Kelsey on Park site plan application proposing a mixed-use development on the southeast corner of Park Avenue/10th Street resubmitted their application eliminating their request to utilize the Live Local Act, but rather proposing to adhere to our current land development regulations. This application is currently under review and the first round of comments will be ready next week. As it relates to staff's separate Live Local Act initiative and Ordinance changes, we are still working through these amendments and have participated in recent webinars held by the County and by the Florida Housing Coalition. We anticipate draft Ordinance will be ready in June for presentation to the Town Commission with final approvals in August, ahead of our September deadline. We need to make sure that all of the necessary components are included and since we no longer have a pending application that is waiting on the development of these regulation to move forward, we are taking the extra time to make sure the proposed regulations are accurate, effective and implementable.

There are recent Amendments to the Act which will need to be incorporated.

Other Ordinances:

- Seawall/Resiliency Standards Review has been finalized and this Ordinance will be presented in April to the Town Commission;
- Florida Building Code 2023 These amendments are already effective and need to be updated in our Code – This Ordinance is forthcoming in April to the Town Commission
- Mobile Food Vendors / Golf Carts, Parking and Commercial Vehicles / Parks & Public Facilities — These Ordinances are drafted and still in review and will likely be forthcoming to the Commission in May

Code Overhaul Initiative: All Departments met internally and a timeline has been created. The Clerk's Office is working on receiving updated quotes from Municode/Civic Plus for Phase 1 that will include legal review for State Statute conflicts and inconsistencies. Phase 2 will then include review and development of revised code chapters with the help of a group of consultants for which an RFP will be prepared. The overall timeline runs through the summer of 2026. More information is forthcoming.

<u>FDOT US-1 Medians</u>: This project has been ongoing by FDOT for a couple of years. The proposed landscape medians along US-1 were also previously presented to the Town Commission and FDOT conducted a public outreach meeting as well. Earl Stewart was also asked to opine on the landscape median adjacent to their property and did not have any further comments. Town Staff participated in an access management review meeting with FDOT on the US-1 medians project on March 7, 2024. At this meeting, the FDOT access management team expressed some traffic and safety concerns with some of the landscape medians proposed by FDOT's contracted design team. The FDOT design team is working on

modifications and a follow-up meeting is anticipated. Once the design is finalized, a presentation will be provided to the Town Commission.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Job Openings:

The following open positions are being advertised:

- Camp Counselor (4 positions open) Hourly rate: \$15.43 to \$24.69
- 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

The deadline for receipt of applications for the Camp Counselor positions is May 10, 2024 because our summer camp program starts on June 10, 2024 and the Camp Counselors must complete their training prior to that date. All of the other 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

• It was necessary for the Library to close this afternoon for the balance of the day due to a plumbing issue which has arisen. We are working with Seacoast Utility Authority to get this resolved as quickly as possible. But in the meantime, the opening of the Library tomorrow may be delayed until 11 a.m.

- This and 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.
- The Library and The Friends of the Lake Park Public Library will hold a 50/50 Raffle at the March 29th Sunset Celebration. They will also attend the March 30th Easter Eggstravaganza and give out books to children.

SPECIAL EVENTS

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 p.m. 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 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 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 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 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.

STREETSCAPING

Park Avenue streetscaping improvements will begin on **Monday, March 25**. The project will include sidewalk repairs, landscaping modification and other beautification of each block of Park Avenue from 7th Street to 10th Street, beginning with the north side of Park Avenue and continuing on the south side. During the project, which is expected to last six to eight weeks, sidewalks will be closed one block at a time, and will be reopened once the upgrades to the block have been completed.

HARRY SEYMOUR KELSEY

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the birthday of Harry Seymour Kelsey, who founded Kelsey City, which of course is now the Town of Lake Park. Mr. Kelsey was born on March 26, 1879. In his honor, a Kelsey City Special Call Commission meeting was held on March 26, 1924 in which March 26 was declared a public holiday forever.

SPRING HOLIDAY

Town Hall offices will be closed on **Friday, March 29, 2024** in observance of our Spring Holiday. There will be no change to the Sanitation Schedule for the holiday.

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



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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