

**BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
CITY OF OAK PARK
MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2017**

PRESENT: Commissioners Brenda Moseley, Danielle Fracassa, Deborah Williamson, Idella Bailey, Karen Davis-Harris, Lonnie Tabb-Upshaw, Santhia Guinn, Non-Voting City Representative Kevin Yee, Councilmember Carolyn Burns

ABSENT: Angela Mitchell, Carrie Dodds, Joyce Schulman, Judy Simmons, Larry Wilson, Mattie Boykin, Michella Perry,

GUEST: None

Meeting started at 7:02 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES; SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

MOTION by Fracassa, SECONDED by Upshaw, to approve the Beautification Advisory Commission Meeting minutes of September 19, 2017 as submitted.

VOTE: Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

CITY COUNCIL/CITY LIAISON COMMUNICATION

City Liaison communication highlights

Councilmember Carolyn Burns

- **City Council Meetings** – Councilmember Carolyn Burns encouraged members to attend the council meetings, or view them on OPTV.
- **Code Ordinance** – City has made changes to an ordinance that would change the code enforcement ticketing process giving code officers more flexibility, and a better system for code enforcements.
- **Fed Ex** – The area outside of the Fed Ex facility has been sold and will serve as a shopping mall in the community.
- **City Hall Holiday Hours** – City will be closed on Monday and Tuesday due to the holiday, and also city offices are also closed every other Friday.
- **5 Year Recreation Master Plan** – Engage residents to contribute their input as a tax payer in what goes on in the community.

City Liaison communication highlights (cont'd.)

Non-voting City Representative Assistant City Manager Kevin Yee

- **9 Mile Road Project** – The city has received a grant that will pay for 70% of the new 9 mile project. The road diet will consist of installation of pocket parks and will begin in 2018. Pocket parks would be placed at Sherman and Seneca following council approval. As part of the 9 mile road diet, signage, artwork and amenities will be installed to enhance the area helping to make it a beautification effort.

BAC MEMBER PARTICIPATION

Chairperson Lonnie Tabb-Upshaw encouraged commissioners to participate in other boards' events to represent the Beautification Advisory Commission. She also made the suggestion that the commission use the city facilities when hosting future events. Vice Chair Fracassa suggested that the commission have a mini booth w/ mini fairy gardens at other events. Asst. City Manager Kevin Yee mentioned that he would like the commission view the city calendar event list, and vote on the event that they would like to attend and gather expense information to submit over to the Public Works department to be placed into the budget.

FLOWER EXCHANGE

The commission will start to plan for its First Flower Exchange Event that will be held on April 21, 2018 in the Community Center parking lot.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Members of the commission made comments regarding the Boards and Commissions dinner, and agreed that it was a nice event and allowed them to fellowship with members of other boards and commissions. Commissioner Brenda Moseley provided water for the BAC ceremony in October 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm, Next meeting February 20, 2018