Five Flags Civic Center Advisory Commission Meeting  
May 3, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: McKenzie Blau, Tyler Daugherty, Bryce Parks, Nicholas Huff, Rob Bakke

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: HR Cook, Corey Morehead, Shuan Rice, Ali Levasseur

OTHERS PRESENT: Marie Ware, Dan Sullivan, Kristen Dietz, Ben Fisher

MINUTES APPROVED; VOTE: Commissioner Parks motioned and Commissioner Blau seconded, to approve the minutes of December 19, 2020 meetings. Motion passed unanimously.

GOAL SETTING WORKSHEET FOR CITY COUNCIL: Marie Ware (Director of City Leisure Services) gave introduction to the sheet to submit to city council for review by City Council during their goal setting sessions in August 2021. Page one listed the success of FY 2021 and their impacts. Page two listed the goals and focus issues for FY2022. Commission members listed their successes and discussed the goals. Marie Ware was able to plug information into the document and share screen during virtual meeting.

Commissioner Bakke motioned and Commissioner Daughtrey seconded, to approve the Goal Setting sheet. Motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS; VOTE: Small discussion between commissioners showed that all parties were comfortable with keeping their current positions.

Commissioner Parks motioned, Commissioner Daughtrey seconded, Vote Commissioner Huff to Chair of Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Parks motioned, Commissioner Blau seconded, Vote Commissioner Daughtrey to Vice Chairs of Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Parks motioned, Commissioner Blau second, Vote staff Ali Levasseur as recorder of Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

FULL REACTIVATION FROM COVID: HR Cook (General Manager) gave report of full reactivation of building with staff back full time March 1, 2021. Successful and safe reactivation with our first concert May 15, 2021. Shaun Rice (Director of Events and Operations) gave report on Venue Shield protocols and other operations information. Commissioner Huff asked about the difference’s scene in General Admission and reserved seating events. Staff reported the majority of community members understand that the masks are needed to have live music. Artist Lee Brice stated our crowd had the most masks that he had seen on his small run. Dubuque is doing well with having safe in person events.
Marie Ware reminded Commission that City Council will not bring the Ballot Initiative up for discussion on and agenda until January 2022. HR Cook recommended that the Commission be ready for a timeline to start this summer of educating the public and get the minds back on the renovation.

Commissioner Bakke expressed that this would be a part of Building Back America from COVID. Commissioner Huff expressed concerns on the increase for construction materials seen in the last months. That could affect the project costs greatly.

Commissioner Daughtrey motioned, Commissioner Bakke seconded, Commission will send a letter of support to affirm recommendation and keep the ballot initiative a priority for City Council. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Daughtrey will write letter of support and send to City Council.

HR Cook reported that two Five Flags staff members will be leaving the end of the month. Shaun Rice will be continuing in the company as Director of Operations at Oklahoma City Convention Center. Ali Levasseur will be leaving Five Flags to continue to focus on her creative entrepreneurship, she will be staying on as a part time employee.

No public comment at this time.

Comments left by public before scheduled meeting provided by City of Dubuque include: None reported

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Parks, seconded by Commissioner Blau. The motion passed unanimously.

July 26, 2021

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic this meeting was held virtually.