

CITY OF BERKLEY
BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday, October 23, 2024
6:30 P.M. 2nd Floor Public Safety Building

PRESENT: Dan Mihaescu (Chair)
Gary Elrod (Vice Chair)
Stephen Bard (Secretary)
David Deradoorian
Ethan Fogle
Lynn Khadra

IN ATTENDANCE: Greg Patterson (City Council Liaison)

**EXCUSED
ABSENCES** Taylor Beach
Jeremy Coan
Anela Mihaescu

ABSENCES: Jennifer Smitterberg

AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes September 25, 2024
3. October Planting and Cleanup at Friend's Park
4. Holiday Lights
5. Adopt a Garden
6. Other Items
7. Adjourn

Meeting was called to order at 6:34.

- 1. Agenda for the Meeting was approved**
- 2. Minutes of the September 25th, 2024 Meeting were approved**

3. October Planting and Spring Cleanup at Friend's Park

The planned October Planting and cleanup at Friend's Park originally planned for October 13th, was rescheduled to October 27th due to weather issues. Dan informed the Committee he has hostas to plant and encouraged members to spread the word amongst others to increase participation in the event.

4. Holiday Lights

The Committee discussed ideas for the Holiday Light project. The Committee agreed to focus efforts for the project to the median of Coolidge north of Twelve Mile Road. Dan will order various luminary products for the Committee to evaluate and make final decisions on the project in a November 6th meeting.

5. Adopt a Garden

Lynn gave a brief update on the Adopt a Garden project. She informed the Committee that she requested suggestions from interested parties for the location of garden projects but received little feedback. The Committee decided to defer focus of this project until next year.

6. Other Items

Dan informed the Committee that the annual Holiday Parade will be held on Saturday, December 7th. Dan also mentioned the City welcomed Boards and Committees to participate in the parade. The Committee agreed to represent by building a float for the parade. The Committee will reach out to the Tree Board to see if they would like to combine efforts in the event.

Dan introduced the idea of the Committee spearheading a Holiday Spirit Award where residents are recognized for Holiday decorations. The Committee agreed to proceed with the Holiday Spirit Award recognition.

The Committee agreed to hold a meeting on November 6th to discuss and finalize plans and efforts for the Holiday Light project, Holiday Parade and Holiday Spirit Award.

Greg informed the Committee that the City will undergo a review of the Boards and Committees to standardize procedures amongst them. He also informed the Committee that there will be a water line project along Catalpa and for the Committee to factor that in for future beautification projects.

Next Meeting scheduled for November 6th on the 2nd Floor of the Public Safety Building at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39.

Minutes prepared by: Stephen Bard, (Secretary) November 3, 2024.