



**AGENDA
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2025
5:00 PM
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS
204 ASH STREET
FERNANDINA BEACH, FL 32034**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - 4.1 December 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
- 6. PRESENTATION**
 - 6.1 Croquet Court (Mr. Stan Jackson, Interest In Installation Of Croquet Court)
- 7. DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - 7.1 Election Of President And Vice President
 - 7.2 MLK Sprinkler Mitigation And Opportunities From EOC (Requested By Vice Chair Cocchi)
- 8. STAFF COMMENTS**
 - 8.1 Staff Update
- 9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT**

All members of the public are invited to be present and be heard. Persons with disabilities requiring accommodations in order to participate in this program or activity should contact the City Clerk at 904-310-3115 or TTY/TDD 711 (for the hearing or speech impaired).

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., located in Commission Chambers at City Hall 204 Ash Street. Present were Chair Camera, Vice-Chair Cocchi, Member Spaulding, Member Pearlstine, Member Mountjoy, Member Goldman, Member Borrero.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1 September 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes (Approval of Minutes)
Member Pearlstine – motion to approve. Second by Member Cocchi; All Aye.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Scott Mikelson, Parks and Recreation Director introduced Sarah Campbell, City Manager.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 6.1 Special Events guidelines and Application (review guidelines/applications: Recommendation to the Commission or possible workshop review. Deputy Director Kaitlyn Rivera presented the Special Events Guidelines and Applications. Member Cocchi asked staff to ask the City Attorney if there is a possibility non 501C applicants' ability to be covered under the City's insurance at a cost to the organizer. Member Borrero made the following recommendations: 1) City nonprofit organizations should be exempt from paying the special event application processing fee 2) Can a Spanish version of the documents be published 3) Pole Banners were discussed. Member Borrero is recommending we continue to follow the current policy and procedures which is to allow anyone/organization to reserve pole banners. Member Borrero – motioned to approve with recommendations to the City Commission. Member Spaulding seconded. All Aye.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

- 7.1 Scott Mikelson provided project updates

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Comments regarding the hard work of the Parks and Recreation department

9. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Camera adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm

Approved by: _____

Chair, Thomas Camera

Project Updates: 1/07/2025

- 1) Resurface of MLK Pool and New Fence on Southside: **Complete**

Notes:

- 2) Refurbish Pétanque Courts / Central Park: **Complete**

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- 3) Egans Creek Fitness Equipment: **Complete**

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- 4) Second Phase of Skatepark Rehabilitation: Ramps will be returned January 21st and reinstalled. The contractor will take the last two ramps for fabrication.

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- 5) Atlantic Recreation Center Window Replacement: Second phase of window replacement, Bids received, will be taking to the Commission for final approval of purchase. \$4,856.00 under budget.

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- 6) Atlantic Recreation Center Façade Repairs: Second phase of repointing the Atlantic Recreation Center Auditorium. City Commission Agenda item on January 7th.

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- 7) Hickory Street Park Bathrooms: Ordered, working with utilities (water and wastewater) / Florida Public Utilities for the power.

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- 8) Skatepark, Design for Expansion: Contractor is working on initial conceptual designs of the skatepark.

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- 9) Beach Access 30: 50% completed.

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- 10) Batting Cage at Central Park: Bid opening on January 16th.

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11) Programs

- a. Please view Community Connection

Notes:

12) Upcoming Special Events:

- a. Fernandina Beach Women's March: January 18th, Parade Route and Central Park
- b. MLK Day Parade: January 20th Begins at MLK Recreation Center
- c. Montessori Chili Cookoff: February 8th, Downtown

Notes:

13) Next PRAC meeting is February 11th

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**FERNANDINA BEACH PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS, PARKS & RECREATION EDITION
(1/3/2025)**

For more information, visit www.fbfl.us

SPORTS

WINTER ADULT PICKLEBALL ROUND ROBIN at Central Park Courts

Register January 1st through January 31st at the Atlantic Center. \$30 team registration fee. Round Robin will take place on Saturday February 8th. Contact Cassie Smith for more information: casmith@fbfl.city; 904-310-3353.

OUTDOOR/INDOOR WALKING CLUB

Outdoors (1, 2, and 3 miles routes) Monday – Thursday from 9:00-10:00am. Meeting locations: Mondays – MLK, Jr. Center parking lot; Tuesdays – Central Park west parking lot; Wednesdays – Egans Creek Park; Thursdays – Main Beach parking lot. Indoors at Peck Gym Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:00-1:00pm. For more information, contact John Coverdell: jcoverdell@fbfl.org; 904-310-3351.

OPEN ADULT PING PONG at the Atlantic Center.

Tuesdays from 9:00am-12:00pm and Thursdays from 4:30-7:00pm in the Atlantic Center Auditorium. All skill levels welcomed. Open recreation format; official ping pong serving and scoring rules shall be followed. Loaner paddles and ping pong balls provided. For more information, call/text Don Hughes (904-415-0667) or Richard Stratton (904-321-2239).

OPEN ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL at Peck Gym

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00-9:00pm. Informal team games on two courts. Teams selected each night. Ages 16 and up (ages 16 and 17 must have Parental Consent form signed by parents and notarized before participating). \$3/night City resident, \$5 Non-City.

OPEN ADULT INDOOR SOCCER at Peck Gym

Fridays from 6:00-8:00pm during the months December through March. Starts December 6th. Informal team games. Teams selected each night. Ages 16 and up (ages 16 and 17 must have Parental Consent form signed by parents and notarized before participating). \$3 City residents, \$5 Non-City.

OPEN BASKETBALL at Peck Gym

Monday-Friday 11:00am-7:00pm (court closes for school and club practices as well as adult leagues throughout the year, see Peck attendant or call 904-310-3354 for more details) People under the age of 16 must be accompanied by adults of the age of 18 or older. Photo identification must be presented to enter Peck Gym.

PICKLEBALL at the Central Park Pickleball Courts.

Six (6) lighted courts are available. For more information, including Scheduled Play and Open Play times, view the following link from the City of Fernandina Beach

CENTRAL PARK TENNIS COURTS

Four (4) lighted hard courts available for open play. Courts 1 & 2 (closest to South 13th Street) reserved for instructed play during posted hours. **ROD GIBSON TENNIS SERVICES** at Central Park Tennis Courts 1 & 2 Available instructed programs:

- **Private lessons:** Lessons with head professional - \$60 per hour City residents, \$70 Non-City; \$30/30 minutes City residents, \$35 Non-City. Lessons with staff professional - \$50/hour City residents, \$60 Non-City; \$25/30 minutes City residents, \$30 Non-City.
- **Semi-private lessons:** Lessons with head professional + 2 players: \$35/hour City residents, \$40 Non-City. Lessons with staff professional + 2 players: \$30/hour City residents, \$35 Non-City.
- **Group lessons:** Lessons with head professional + 3 players: \$24/hour City residents, \$27 Non-City; + 4 players: \$18/hour City residents, \$20/hour Non-City; + 5 players: \$14/hour City residents, \$16 Non-City; + 6 or more players: \$12/hour City residents, \$14 Non-City. Lessons with staff professional + 3 players: \$20/hour City residents, \$24 Non-City; + 4 players: \$15/hour City residents, \$18 Non-City; + 5 players: \$12/hour City residents, \$15 non-city; + 6 or more players: \$10/hour City residents, \$12 Non-City.

To register for Junior or Adult clinics; or private, semi-private, or group lessons, email instructor Rod Gibson, USPTA Certified Elite Tennis Professional, at rodgibsontennis@gmail.com or call 904-891-6927. 24 hours cancellation required for Adult Clinics and private, semi-private, and group instruction. Schedule and description of clinics available at the Atlantic Center or on the City's website: www.fbfl.us

OPEN ROLLER HOCKEY at the Main Beach Multi-Purpose Court

- Adult/Older Teens skate: Tuesdays from 5:00-6:00pm (Beginner) and Saturdays from 4:15-4:45pm (Easy) and 4:45-6:00pm (Advanced)
- Family skate: Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00pm and Saturdays from 3:00-4:00pm

For more information, call Ray Matz: 215-852-7038

FITNESS AREAS

- **Weight Room/Cardio Area** at Peck Gym, 510 South 10th Street
Free weights, selectorized equipment, Matrix treadmills, Precor elliptical, Cybex Arc Trainer, Matrix recumbent and upright bikes, and Kettler rower. Ages 13 and up (ages 13-15 with adult supervision; ages 16-17 unsupervised but with waiver signed by parent or guardian). Open Monday - Friday from 11:00am-7:00pm (later hours on Tuesday and Thursday during evening court sports activities)
- **Atlantic Fitness Room** at the Atlantic Center, 2500 Atlantic Avenue
Precor treadmills and ellipticals; Precor recumbent and upright bikes; Concept 2 rower; Nautilus StairMaster Stepmill; Hammer Strength plate loaded fitness equipment; Magnum Fitness Biangular Series machines; and free weights. Ages 13 and up (ages 13-15 with adult supervision; ages 16-17 unsupervised but with waiver signed by parent or guardian). **Fall hours:** Monday-Friday from 5:30am-9:00pm (5:00-9:00pm for membership holders only), Saturday from 5:30am-4:00pm; and Sunday from 9:00am-2:00pm (membership holders only on Sunday).

Daily/monthly fitness area fees: City residents - \$5/day; \$30/month; \$90/four (4) months. Non-City residents: \$10/day; \$38/month; \$113/four (4) months. Daily fees and passes are valid at both fitness areas.

Couples' rates are also available. Fitness/Pool combination passes are also available for use of Atlantic Fitness Room and Atlantic Pool. Information available at the Atlantic Center.

Personal training is available at the Atlantic Fitness Room with Melissa Taylor, certified through International Sports Sciences Association (ISSA). Single one-hour session, 3-pack (3 one-hour sessions), and 10-pack (10 one-hour sessions) packages available. Contact Melissa (flexfitnessllc1@gmail.com; 904-430-7171) to set up a consultation.

AQUATICS

Atlantic Pool schedule through January 15th, 2025: Monday-Friday - Lap swim and water exercise from 5:30-8:30am; Aqua Aerobics from 9:00-11:00am; closed from 11:00am-12:00pm; lap swim from 12:00-3:50 pm. Saturdays and Sundays - Lap swim and water exercise from 9:00-2 pm. \$5/day City residents, \$7 non-city. Monthly rates are also available.

AQUA AEROBICS at Atlantic Pool, 2500 Atlantic Avenue

Full pool; no separate shallow and deep-water classes. Monday – Friday at 9:00am and 10:00am and shared pool at 4 pm.

Monthly, 1 class/day: \$40 City residents, \$75 Non-City residents. \$7/day for one class City residents, \$10 Non-City. 10- admissions' pass: \$60 City residents, \$75 Non-City for 1 class/day.

Aqua Aerobics/Fitness combination passes available (includes use of Atlantic Fitness Room). Inquire at Atlantic Center.

BEACH WHEELCHAIRS can be reserved at the Atlantic Center. Four (4) wheelchairs available. Call 904-310-3350 for availability.

INSTRUCTED PROGRAMS

JAPANESE JU JITSU and KENJUTSU at the Peck Center, 1st Floor Instructors' Studio, 516 South 10th Street
Ju Jitsu involves striking, kicking, throwing, and submission through joint locks and finishing techniques. Kenjutsu involves use of the katana (sword) and bokken (wooden sword). Both classes ages 12 and up. Ju Jitsu offered Tuesdays from 7:30-8:30pm and Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm: **\$8/class or \$60/month City residents;**

\$10/class or \$75/month non-city. Kenjutsu offered Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30pm: **\$8/class or \$30/month City residents; \$10/class or \$36/month Non-City.** For more information and to register, contact Sensei Jeff Weisfeld: 443-864-3331; ameliaislandbushido@gmail.com.

BOOTCAMP CLASSES at Main Beach

Take part in instructor Charity Ross's Bootcamp at Main Beach (some classes at Egans Creek Park – late fall and winter months). These outdoor workouts will challenge your aerobic and anaerobic capacities and core strength with sprint drills, plyometric exercises, and conditioning circuits. **\$150/month per participant.**

Weekly class schedule: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6:00-7:00am, 7:00-8:00am, and 5:30-6:30pm; Saturdays from 7:00-8:00am (3 classes per week recommended). Contact Charity via Facebook (Ross Fitness); Instagram (@charityrosspt); or call Charity with questions: 904-729-7965.

YOGA at the Atlantic Recreation Center Instructors Studio

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am. Please bring a mat and wear comfortable clothes. \$20 per person per class. For more information, contact instructor Lynn Aiello (aster353@msn.com; 856-904-7160).

AERIAL SILK DANCE CLASSES at the Atlantic Center

Ages 9 and older. Students learn movement, flow, and poses using the two strands of fabric wrapped around the body in various ways while suspended in the air to create Aerial Dance. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced skills are taught along with whole body stretching and strength conditioning. Students start by learning the basics and safely master skills to progress in levels while working at their own pace. 1 hour per class. Schedule: Monday – Thursday from 3:00-8:00pm on the Atlantic auditorium stage; and Tuesday only from 3:00-6:00pm in the Atlantic Instructors Studio. **\$180 per month for 8 classes over 4 weeks; \$90 per month for 4 classes over 4 weeks.** Contact instructor Marah Lovequist at 904-556-6957 for available tuition and schedule options.

HIP HOP ABS ADULT CO-ED EXERCISE CLASSES at the MLK, Jr. Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm at the MLK, Jr. Center auditorium. Ages 18 and up. Free. Contact John Coverdell for more information: jcoverdell@fbfl.org; 904-310-3351.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

MEET AND GREETs: 3rd Thursdays of the month from 11:30 – 1:30pm; locations TBD, jcoverdell@fbfl.org.

SENIOR TRIPS: Leaving the Atlantic Recreation Center. Join us every month for a day trip or to see a show! Next trip is to Peter Pan the Musical at Jacksonville Center for the Performing Arts with dinner at Olive Garden first on February 19th, 2025. Pre-registration is required for all trips. Register at Atlantic Recreation Center or contact Cassie Smith for more information: casmith@fbfl.city; 904-310-3353. Flyers for more details on upcoming trips are available at Atlantic Recreation Center. Prices and dates vary regarding trip locations.

