

AGENDA
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

May 14, 2024 – 5:30 PM

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ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: APRIL 9, 2024 (REGULAR MEETING)

PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM: The public may call the Office of Parks and Recreation at 203-576-7234 and speak with Tatiana Urena or email her at tatiana.urena@bridgeportct.gov to sign up for Public Speaking.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Beth Santa, Seaside Gateway Trail, Bridgeport, CT, providing a revised plan for the request of an irrigation system at **Seaside Park** on Waldemere Avenue.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jocelyn Sanchez-Chavez, Bridgeport High School Student, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to approve a Skatepark Proposal located either at **Seaside Park**, **Knowlton Park** or **Waterview Park**.
2. Deborah Caviness, Juneteenth of Fairfield County Inc., 510 Barnum, Room #3102, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Juneteenth Concert to kick off the Juneteenth Festival at **McLevy Green** on Thursday, June 13, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a setup at 3:00 p.m. and cleanup at 8:00 p.m. with a DJ, Vendors and Food Trucks for approximately 350 people.
3. Ramona Santelises, The Dominican-American Coalition of CT, Inc. 1021 Main Street, 2nd floor, Bridgeport, CT, requesting approval to add a petting zoo to their approved event at **Seaside Park Diamond # 15** on Sunday, June 2, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for approximately 150 people. *(This event was originally approved on the 3/12/2024 Park Board meeting)*
4. Nelson Dones and Richard Zayas, Roberto Clemente Old Timers Softball League and Zayas Law Firm, 305 Boston Avenue, Stratford, CT, requesting to host a Concert at **Went Field Park – Gazebo** on Sunday, August 18, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a setup at 9:00 a.m. and cleanup at 7:00 p.m. for approximately 500 people.
5. Harold Dimbo, Project Longevity, 1000 Lafayette Boulevard, 10th floor, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Community Outreach event on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at **Beardsley Park after Aaron's Way** from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a setup at 10:30 a.m. and cleanup at 4:30 p.m. with DJ and Vendors for approximately 150 people.

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6. Bobbie Brown, 100 Girls Leading Inc, 285 Hollister Avenue, Bridgeport, CT requesting to host the Mentorship Event for Girls of Color on Saturday, June 6, 2025 at **McLevy Green** from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and setup at 11:00 a.m. and cleanup at 6:00 p.m. with vendors and DJ for 100 people.
7. Jean Brown, Greater Bridgeport Area Prevention Program (GBAPP, Inc.), 1470 Barnum Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Backpack Giveaway and Health Fair on Friday, June 28, 2024 at **McLevy Green** from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a setup at 10:00 a.m. and cleanup at 3:00 p.m. with a DJ, Vendors and Food Truck for approximately 0 – 50 people.
8. David Daniels III, Bridgeport Jazz Festival Partners, 325 Lafayette Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host the annual Bridgeport Jazz Festival on Saturday, August 30, 2024 at **McLevy Green** from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a setup at 8:00 a.m. and cleanup at 10:00 p.m. for approximately 500 people with DJ, Live Band, Vendors and Food Trucks.
9. Shakeema E. Romero, 435 Capitol Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Bridgeport Vegan Festival at **Ellsworth Park** on Saturday, July 13, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and a setup at 9:00 a.m. and cleanup at 6:30 p.m. DJ, Vendors and Food Trucks for approximately 400 people.
10. Shamar Freeman-Bey, TeachOurs Elders Association, 78 Cedar Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Community Event at **Washington Park – Gazebo** with multiple dates: Saturdays and Sundays June 1st and June 15th, 2024; July 6th and July 13th, 2024; August 3rd and August 17th 2024; and September 17, 2024 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a setup time at 9:00 a.m. and cleanup time beginning at 4:00 p.m. for approximately 0-50 people with DJ and Vendors.
11. Cecil Ward Jr., New England South Youth Federation of Seventh Day Adventist Church, 30 Signal Hill Circle, Springfield, MA, requesting to host an annual Youth Service gathering event at **Seaside Park near the Sailors and Soldiers Monument** on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with a setup at 8:00 a.m. and cleanup at 5:00 p.m. for approximately 130 people.
12. Stephanie Maiden, Recovery Network of Programs, Inc., 2 Trap Falls Road, Suite 405, Shelton, CT, requesting to host their annual employee picnic on Saturday, August 2, 2024 at **Seaside Park – Grove area** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with a setup at 8:00 a.m. and cleanup at 3:00 p.m. with a DJ and Food Vendor for approximately 200 people.
13. Tyonna Robinson, 44 King Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Birthday Party at **Seaside Park - Left of the Arches** on Saturday, July 27, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and setup at 11:00 a.m. and cleanup at 5:30 p.m. for approximately 0-50 people with two bounce house and two food trucks.

REPORTS

1. Commissioner's Report
2. Director's Report – Luis Burgos, Director of Public Facilities

ADJOURNMENT