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OAKLAND PARK
COMMUNITY
REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY

OCTOBER 2019

On October 22, the CRA will be hosting its CRA Launch Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at the Jaco Community Center (4000 N Dixie Hwy, Oakland Park, FL 33334). Businesses and the Public are invited to learn more about new CRA initiatives, programs and services. RSVPs to Kaitlyn.collier@oaklandparkfl.gov are appreciated, but not required.

DOWNTOWN Business Partners Meeting

Don't miss the...

CRA Launch Breakfast

- ✓ New Website & Social Media Pages
- ✓ Market Report of the CRA
- ✓ New Business Concierge
- ✓ Networking Opportunities

**Tuesday,
October 22**

8:30 AM

Jaco Pastorius Park



OAKLAND PARK
BUILDING FOR OUR 2ND CENTURY

On October 3rd the City hosted the kick-off event of “Oakland Park Building for our 2nd Century” where we showed our muscles and celebrated the demolition of the Public Works Building to clear the path for the new Public Works Operations Complex which will host water, wastewater, stormwater, solid waste, streets, facilities, and fleet services. This is the first step in the City’s efforts to build and renovate City Facilities.

Learn more online at: <http://www.oaklandparkfl.gov/591/City-Facilities-Bond>



Save
the
Date

OCTOBER 30th: Facilities Community Meeting: On October 30, 2019 at 6:30 pm, the City will be hosting the next Community Meeting to discuss the Facilities Design Guidelines, as well as, seek input on the future of the City Park area. The meeting will be at the Collins Community Center, located at 3900 NE 3rd Ave, Oakland Park, FL 33334. Zyscovich Architects will be taking your ideas and input to create a Master Plan of the Collins area, which will include the replacement of the Collins Community Center, Ethel M. Gordon Library, Fire Station 9, the relocation of Fire Administration, and other elements. On August 7, 2019, the City Commission moved forward with plans for the Collins Community Center area as the site for the new Ethel M. Gordon Library. The Public Works facilities near the Collins Community Center will be relocated elsewhere in the City, providing an opportunity for the area to be redesigned to meet the long-term needs of the community.

Oakland Park Square: Site Remediation for Oakland Park Square has commenced. Negotiations for the Lease Agreement are underway, and the Developer is preparing for filing the site plan application.

Did You Know?



Did you know our CRA has a nationally recognized building listed on the National Register of Historic Places? In 1988, Oakland Park Elementary School received the designation of Historic Places. The original classroom building, auditorium building, gazebo, some connecting walkways, and the main gate are designated as historic and are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. These buildings were constructed in the late 1920s. As Mediterranean Revival style structures, their exterior walls are finished in stucco and the roofing material consists of red cement barrel tiling. The School is undergoing renovations and upgrades and will be appearing before the City's Historic

Preservation Board.

Business Activity



We are excited to announce the winner of Project Runway Season 17 has opened his design studio in Downtown Oakland Park at 3501 N. Dixie Highway. Coming to the United States just 4 years ago from Columbia, Sebastian Grey, is now a household name, proud to call Oakland Park his home and looking to build and expand his fashion empire as part of the Oakland Park Community.



The City welcomed a new bakery and deli at 1500 West Oakland Park Boulevard. Rated as one of the top 15 South Florida hidden gems by Miami Eater, Noor Bakery & Deli is a Lebanese bakery that specializes in *manakeesh* - thin flat breads baked with herbaceous *za'atar*, Mediterranean cheeses, meats, and other toppings. A full-service menu offers a variety of fresh and healthy options for the whole family.



Are you looking to upgrade your vinyl or music collection? Then stop by We Got the Beats Record Store, located at 840 E Oakland Park Blvd, Suite #118. We Got The Beats was started on a webTV(!) from an apartment in 1999 through eBay. It has since grown and expanded and recently opened an Oakland Park location that has all your bases covered.

New and Upcoming Development Projects

Several new businesses and projects are looking to come to the downtown.

On October 17th at 6:30 pm. **Design Moves** will be hosting a Neighborhood Participation Meeting at City Hall. They are proposing to open a wine bar at their current location of 3520 NE 12th Avenue. Immediately following that meeting at 7:00 p.m., 8009 Equities

will host their Neighborhood Participation Meeting. They are proposing to build a mixed-use building with residential and live work units on the property located on Dixie Highway and 33rd Street.

DDB Investments has filed its Development Review Application for property immediately located south of City Hall at 3560-3554 N.E. 12th Avenue. This project is featuring a new bar restaurant called the “Butcher Barrel” which will consist of a market with fresh meats and vegetables and other gourmet products, as well as, a restaurant that serves the steaks, chops and other fresh items from the market. The bar will serve beer and wine. The project will feature a complete interior renovation of the building, as well as, exterior patio improvements for outdoor seating and new landscaping.

Business Meetings



The Oakland Park Business Group hosted their monthly meeting on September 25th at PNC Bank. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 30, 6:15 p.m. at Salon 51 located at 51 N.E. 44 Street.



The next Downtown Partners meeting is scheduled for October 22nd, from 8:30a.m. to 9:30a.m. at Jaco Pastorius Park. These meetings are open to the community, and any members of the public interested in learning more about projects in the downtown and throughout the City that drive economic development.



On Friday, October 25th, join all the ghosts, goblins and live music for a not-so-scary evening of fun and family entertainment from

6:00 pm – 10:00 pm at Jaco Pastorius Park. The evening includes a concert, food court, costume contests, interactive stage show with music, dancing and games, as well as "Trunk or Treat" with some of the best and spookiest decorated cars and trucks around.

You can enter your decorated vehicle to the "Trunk of Treat" and have fun handing out candy to thousands of the cutest kids in Broward County. There will be prizes presented to the best decorated vehicle!

Learn more at: <http://www.oaklandparkfl.gov/224/Halloween-Bash>



The third annual Art & Antique Walk + Craft show will take place on Saturday, November 9th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Tour and shop the eclectic of Oakland Park vintage and antique stores, plus a

craft show in the Art Park. Art Park is the center hub for the event. Live Music, a craft show, and a food court will be located in the park. Craft show opens at 10AM. Stroll through the Art Park before hopping on the complimentary shuttle service.

The complementary shuttle service to all stores will be provided. Art Park is the location of pickup and drop-off. Free parking is located in the Roselli Park Plaza parking lot [adjacent to Art Park] 3415 N Dixie Hwy, Oakland Park, FL 33334. This is a free community event.

Learn more at: <https://oaklandparkfl.gov/586/Art-Antique-Walk-Craft-Show>



Are you interested in finding your green thumb or already have one, want to volunteer, or teach students about the importance of an urban farm, then please visit the Urban Farm Institute located just north of Jaco Pastorius Park or visit them on the web at <http://ufi.us.org/>. Here are some of the great programs being offered at UFI:



This Apiary will be the first permanent and managed apiary in the County and will provide classes in urban beekeeping for all those interested in learning about bees as a hobby or as a profession.



Learning to grow your own food right at home can best be learned in the "living classroom" at the Urban Farming Institute. Read more to learn how you can grow with us.



Oakland Park City sponsored community gardens at the Urban Farming Institute is available for growing your own foods while learning and successfully growing. Let us help you.



The FarmShare Adventure CSA at the Urban Farming Institute is fantastic for those who want truly fresh, healthy, clean foods from both UFI and local farms. See for yourself!



This is a terrific way to learn about food, where it comes from, how it's grown and prepared, along with a possible visit from the chef and maybe even the farmer.



The Urban Farming Institute will assist you, our fantastic teachers, in educating your students on how real fresh food is grown, produced, and consumed, one garden at a time.