



## City of Hallandale Beach Board/Committee Annual Report

Meeting Date:			
<b>4/15/2026</b>	Regular Meeting Date:	2nd Thursday of each month - 6:30 pm	
	Location:	Cultural Community Center	
File No.:	Liaison:	Michael Carabeo, Aquatics Superintendent	
<b>24-578</b>	Director:	Cathie Schanz, Parks, Rec, & Open Spaces	
Fiscal Impact (\$):	Account Balance (\$):	Funding Source:	Project Number:
<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**SHORT TITLE:**

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD ANNUAL REPORT**

**BOARD/COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION**

The parks and recreation advisory board shall have the following functions and duties:

1. Make recommendations concerning the operation of all public parks, playgrounds, undeveloped park lands, public beaches, and other recreational facilities within the city.
2. Recommend to the city commission and the city manager, from time to time, actions which it believes the city commission should take with reference to the acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities in the city.
3. Recommend rules and regulations for the operation of city parks, playgrounds, and public recreational facilities.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meets monthly on the second Thursday at 6:30 pm at the Cultural Community Center. The Board consists of ten (10) Commission-appointed members.

**MEMBERS**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>TERM</b>	<b>APPOINTED BY</b>
Michel Perez	Chair	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Adams
Howard Garson	Vice Chair	Expires: 12/14/26	Mayor Cooper
Moreen Klein	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Vice Mayor Butler
Karen Garson	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Vice Mayor Butler
Gloria Stoner	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Lazarow
Gale Imprescia	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Lima-Taub
Svitlana Cohen	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Adams
Giovanna Raimondo-LaRocca	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Lima-Taub
Patricia Morning Lewis	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Mayor Cooper
Sandra Forges	Member	Expires: 12/14/26	Comm. Lazarow

**ACTIVITIES/ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

The Parks Advisory Board continues to play an active role in the Parks and Recreation Department. Even though the Board was unable to achieve a quorum, the group continued to meet regularly to stay informed about events, programs, and services.

1. Assisted the Parks team with the Easter Event at Bluesten Park
2. Assisted the Parks team with the Veterans Day Salute
3. Supported Parks & Recreation Month
4. Assisted Parks team with Back 2 School Bash at Ob Johnson Park
5. Participated in the Coastal Clean-up event on Hallandale Beach
6. Assisted Parks team with Halloween event at Ob Johnson Park
7. Assisted Parks team with Winter Event at Bluesten Park

**PRIORITY ACTIVITIES**

Priority activities for the coming year 2026

1. Community Events  
Recognizing the importance of community gatherings, the board has prioritized increasing the number of Community Events to bring members of our community together.

**BOARD/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

As per Sec. 2-74 Administration of Boards and Committees part (c) and (d) Scheduling of Meetings in Ordinance 2023-014. No motions could be made until the meeting of September 12, 2024, when the required number of members to achieve a quorum was met.

The Parks and Recreation Board recommends the following items for consideration.

1. Padel Ball Sport

Recommendation by the board to consider the sport of Padel Ball in future Parks projects.

2. Theater and Performing Arts

Recommendation by the board to consider expanding on and creating new programs for the community in Theater and Performing Arts.

3. Expand on Holiday offerings at Parks

Recommendation by the board to increase Holiday offerings at all parks. Incorporate the Holiday in the Park Event with simultaneous Lighting of Hallandale Beach Blvd.

4. Senior Games

Recommendation by the board to consider reinstating the Senior Games program. Perform a cost analysis and needs assessment to return to Senior Games.

5. Hallandale Beach Hall of Fame

Creation and implementation of a Hall of Fame for pioneering Hallandale Beach Residents. The board has highlighted the importance of honoring select individuals and preserving the City's heritage.

<b>ATTACHMENT(S):</b>
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Exhibit 1 – 2025 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Attendance

Board/ Committee Liaison: Michael Carabeo  
Michael Carabeo  
Aquatics Superintendent

Liaison Director: Cathie Schanz  
Cathie Schanz, CPRE  
Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Director