Minutes Community Development Commission August 24, 2023 7pm

Members Present: Patricia Harris, Peggy McCree, William Mead

Other Attendees: Jennifer Davis, Alderwoman liaison; Katy Nieman, Parks and Recreation Superintendent

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Old Business:

Entertainment Times Confirmed: Mayor will make announcement at 12 p.m.; Steve Ewing Duo until 2 p.m. followed by Hudson Harmonies and Hudson Hype. Voices with Vision may not be available for a performance. Staff will reach out to Steve Ewing Duo to see if they will allow Mayor/National Anthem as well as Webster Choirs to utilize sound equipment.

Marketing update: Ad for The Pulse was submitted. Facebook Event created. Banners, including the large one over N. Rock Hill Rd. will go up on Sept. 6. Commission members can take Yard Signs for yards. Webster/Kirkwood Times ad will be submitted mid-September.

Dog Parade: Staff will meet with Dogtopia and Leonmarie to figure out logistics of the program. Shakers has agreed to provide trophies, staff will submit the following categories: Best Costume, Best Trick, Best Looking, Smallest, Biggest We need judges. Staff will ask Police/Fire Departments.

Sponsors: Forest Products (\$500) New Growth (\$1,000) Farotto's (\$1,000) Pat will reach out to Bloomin' Buckets, Staff will continue to reach out to businesses.

Volunteers: Washington University, Girl Scouts (multiple Hudson troops) Webster Groves High School; possibly add a Carnival Game since we should have enough volunteers

Budget Update: Currently we are down about \$1,200 in sponsorships, we can off set that by using the banners/yard signs from last year. May need to cut additional items.

Staff will talk with Dogtopia owner about being the guest on Coffee with the Mayor in September to talk about the Dog Parade.

The Commission will attend the Board of Alderman Meeting on Sept. 19 to invite Board Members to attend the Fall Festival.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.