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**From:** Prasad, Bethany  
**Sent:** Monday, April 22, 2024 11:39 AM  
**To:** Lively, Cathy  
**Subject:** Disclosures  
**Attachments:** Brevard Renaissance Fair -- Commisioners meeting; Brevard Renaissance Fair; Brevard Renaissance Faire; My support for the Florida Renaissance Festival; Phone Disclosure.docx; Renaissance Fair Certified Mail.pdf

Cathy,

Please see the attached disclosures from D3 regarding item I.2.

Respectfully,



**Bethany Prasad**

*Chief of Staff*

*County Commissioner John Tobia, District 3*

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**From:** Peter Moolhuizen <pete@brevardrenaissancefair.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 10:41 AM  
**To:** Commissioner, D5; Commissioner, D2; Commissioner, D1; Commissioner, D3; Commissioner, D4  
**Cc:** Feltner, Rob; Steele, Jason; Goodson, Tom; John.Tobias@brevardfl.gov; Rita.Prichett@brevardfl.gov; Donner, Mary Ellen; craig hessee; Barb Moolhuizen; Andrew Meade; Jason Hart; Paul.Alfrey@mlbfl.org  
**Subject:** Brevard Renaissance Fair -- Commisioners meeting  
  
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Subject: Upcoming Commissioner Meeting - Items of Interest and Request for Support

Dear Commissioners,

First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude to Rob Feltner, his staff, and other departments for their collaborative efforts to find a solution that allows the Brevard Renaissance Fair and other significant community events to remain in Brevard County.

As Brevard County's population grows in the coming years, the demand for county parks will increase, leading to inevitable conflicts among different groups vying for access to these facilities. Establishing a dedicated site specifically designed for significant events and capable of accommodating substantial crowds would be advantageous for everyone. Unlike surrounding counties with fairgrounds, Brevard currently lacks a comparable venue. For example, Indian River has a 185-acre site dedicated exclusively to hosting various events. A similar facility in Brevard could serve the community's needs more effectively and mitigate the stress on existing parks.

Looking ahead to next week's commissioner meeting, there are two agenda items of particular importance to us:

1. **\*\*Land Swap with the City of Melbourne\*\***: After visiting the proposed site this week, I am convinced it would serve as an excellent venue for significant events, benefitting both the City of Melbourne and the residents of Brevard County. We are eager to assist in developing this location. While it may not be perfect now, it presents a clean slate with great potential for enhancement. Over time, this could become a valuable asset for all Brevardians.

2. **\*\*Application for the Use of Wickham Park\*\***: Our team has been actively collaborating with Rob Feltner's office and our real estate consultants to ensure our continued presence in Brevard. While not all solutions explored have been ideal, some have shown promise. We have initiated preparations at a potential site in Cocoa, facing several challenges that must be resolved by January. I remain optimistic about meeting our January 15th deadline, though I acknowledge some reservations due to the cautious outlook of others. Consequently, we propose using Wickham Park as a **contingency plan**, ensuring the fair's continuity. External factors, such as the St. John Water Authority, FPL, Zoning, Site Plans, bridge and road construction, and seasonal weather conditions, particularly during the summer, could impact our readiness.

Our application for Wickham Park will be reviewed at the meeting on the 23rd. We request your approval to use this location as a **fallback** option. This would safeguard against the potential discontinuation of the event, which, if delayed for what would be effectively two years, might lead to its cessation.

We greatly appreciate all the efforts to address these challenges and hope for a resolution to benefit all involved parties. Making this decision is challenging, as there will inevitably be detractors regardless of the outcome. We hope you will consider what is most beneficial for most Brevardians, even if it entails some short-term inconvenience for a few.

Thank you for considering our requests. I look forward to your support and finding a way to enrich our community.

Warm regards,

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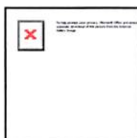


**Peter L Moolhuizen**

President / CEO, Brevard Renaissance Fair Inc.

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**From:** Scott Berner <srberner11@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 22, 2024 7:25 AM  
**To:** Commissioner, D3  
**Subject:** Brevard Renaissance Fair

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Deeply consider allowing the Brevard Renaissance Fair to operate in wickham Park until they can find a new and permanent location, or even help them.

Failure to consider the negative economic impact of the targeted legislation that prevents them from operating, that I have yet to see or hear any legitimate public agreement to outside of the new rules your board passed, will threaten all of your jobs. I will vote against all of you and I will encourage everyone I know to do the same.

Thank you.

-Scott Berner



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**From:** Chenna J. Cook <chennajt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 21, 2024 4:45 PM  
**To:** Commissioner, D1; Commissioner, D2; Commissioner, D3; Commissioner, D4; Commissioner, D5  
**Subject:** Brevard Renaissance Faire  
  
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Dear County Commissioners,

I am a native of Brevard County and grew up a familiar face at several events, especially those promoting the arts, going from patron to volunteer to worker. Over my 26 years, I have never worked at a more beneficial event than the Brevard Renaissance Faire, for both the county and the citizens. Because of this, I urge you to find a solution that benefits the Brevard Renaissance Faire and the community as a whole.

Even if only focusing on this from a financial perspective, the Brevard Renaissance Faire has only had a positive influence on the economy. Over nine years of festivities, we have brought \$450k to Wickham Park alone, close to \$20 million to the county as a whole. Thousands of people, myself included in the last two years, have come from out of town or even out of state to support this festival. These visitors not only support us and the arts, but our county's tourism industry through the hotel rooms they sleep in, the restaurants they eat in, and the other forms of entertainment they visit while taking an extra day in Brevard. In short, taking away the festival would only spell a significant cut in county income. I (along with these thousands of people) would encourage you to reconsider your previous decision, for yourselves and the community.

Sincerely,  
Chenna Cook

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**From:** Jessica Pac-Talbot <j.pac-talbot@nextech.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 11:31 AM  
**To:** Commissioner, D3  
**Subject:** My support for the Florida Renaissance Festival

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Dear Sir

I just wanted to reach out and let you know that the Renaissance Festival is a big part of my and my husband's background, we went often and spent a lot of time and money there with our family of 6 and more when we encourage friends to go as well.

We are 40+ year old registered voters in Brevard county and voicing my opinion regarding keeping the Ren Fair in Brevard County is my wish as a constituent here.

[Want to schedule time with me? Just click here!](#)

**Jessica Talbot**

Rev Ops Systems Admin  
811 Parsons Cir SE, Palm Bay, Florida 32909



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April 22, 2024

To: Cathy Lively  
From: John Tobia, Brevard County Commissioner, District 3  
Re: Phone Disclosure

Ms. Lively,

Regarding the upcoming item I.2 on the Brevard County Regular Meeting Agenda for April 23, 2024, please be advised in advance that I spoke on the phone with the following City of Melbourne Mayor Paul Alfrey on April 17, 2024 and April 19, 2024.

Each call lasted approximately fifteen minutes, during which we discussed the appeal of Wickham Park usage denial, and potential solutions including item I.1 on the same agenda.

Sincerely,

John Tobia  
County Commissioner, District 3



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## Fwd: Brevard Renaissance Fair 2025

Mon, Mar 18, 2024 at 11:22 AM

**Peter Moolhuizen** <pete@brevardrenaissancefair.com>

To: Frank.Abbate@brevardfl.gov

Cc: joy.roth@brevardfl.gov, john.denninghoff@brevardfl.gov, "Liesenfelt, Jim" <jim.liesenfelt@brevardfl.gov>, "Feltner, Rob" <Rob.Feltner@brevardfl.gov>, craig.hessee <craig.hessee@gmail.com>, Barb Moolhuizen <barb@brevardrenaissancefair.com>, Kristin Pitts <vendor@brevardrenaissancefair.com>, Andrew Meade <andrew@brevardrenaissancefair.com>, "Donner, Mary Ellen" <MaryEllen.Donner@brevardfl.gov>

Mr. Abbate,

Per my discussions the other day in our meeting with Commissioner Rob Feltner and others, I advised Mr. Liesenfelt that I would appeal any denial of our special event request to your office for Wickham Park. This is being done per the guidance of Section 78-82(h) - Permits, even though Parks and Recreation took longer than the five allowable days to reply to our request.

I hope that you accept our request for the special event. In case it is not we need to have it added to the commissioners' agenda for the next meeting to have it voted on by the commissioners.

I will be dropping off the written request shortly at your office followed by a registered letter.

cc: Christopher L. Carmody, Jr. / Grey Robinson



**Peter L Moolhuizen**

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From: **Donner, Mary Ellen** <MaryEllen.Donner@brevardfl.gov>

Date: Thu, Mar 14, 2024 at 5:03 PM

Subject: Brevard Renaissance Fair 2025

To: Peter Moolhuizen <pete@brevardrenaissancefair.com>

Mr. Moolhuizen:

Your attached Special Event Questionnaire does not meet the requirements of Brevard County Code of Ordinances Section 78-82. – Permits. (b) (1).

As a result, your attached request is denied.

If you would like to submit a revised application in compliance with the Code, we would be happy to review it.

Sincerely

Mary Ellen Donner, Director



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## Special Event Questionnaire

Instructions: Please complete this questionnaire if your event will have any of the following activities: Use or placement of entertainment equipment, athletic or sporting events involving physical contact, events that are expected to draw over 200 people which include amplified music, commercial activity, any event which is open to the public and involves the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, the sale of food items and/or beverages. Return completed questionnaire to the Brevard County Parks and Recreation Area Operations Office no later than 90 days prior to your event.

| Organization/Contact Information  |  |
|---|--|
| Organization Name:  | BREVARD RENAISSANCE FAIR   |
| Address:  | 3900 LOBLOLLY PL   |
| City, State, Zip:   | COCOA FL 32926   |
| Applicant Name:   | PETER MOOLHUIZEN   |
| Phone Number:   | 321.458.3515   |
| Alternate Phone Number:   |  |
| Email Address:  | PETE@BREVARDRENAISSANCEFAIR.COM  |
| Is this Organization Non-Profit? (If yes, provide supporting documentation) | NO   |
| Is this Organization Tax Exempt? (If yes, provide supporting documentation) | NO   |
| Event Information   |  |
| Event Name:   | BREVARD RENAISSANCE FAIR   |
| Event Date(s):  | BEING 2 WEEKS PRIOR (12/24/24) TERMINON 2 WEEKS AFTER (1/1/25)<br>EVENT JAN 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, FEB 1, 2, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23  |
| Desired Event Location:   | WICKHAM PARK AMPHITHEATER  |
| Event Description/Purpose:  | PROVIDE CULTURAL ENTERTAINMENT TO RESIDENTS OF BREVARD COUNTY AND BEYOND IN A THEMED ATMOSPHERE, THAT WOULD INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL ENTERTAINING, AND LOCAL ACTS AS WELL AS LOCAL/NAIANT CRAFT VENDORS |

|  |   |                                     |   |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Are You Requesting Exclusive Use of the Park?  | NO  |                                     |   |
| Estimated Attendance Per Day:  | 6,500   |                                     |   |
| Event Start Date/Time:   | Event End Date/Time:  |                                     |   |
| Set up Date/Time:  | Cleanup Date/Time:  |                                     |   |
| Will event be open to the public?  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            |   |
| Will you charge admission?   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            |   |
| Will you charge for parking?   | <input type="radio"/> Yes   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |   |
| Will you sell food?  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            |   |
| Will alcohol be present?   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            |   |
| Will you sell alcohol or include it in the price of admission?   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            |   |
| Will there be amplified sound or music?  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes  | <input type="radio"/> No            | Hours?: 10 <sup>am</sup> / 10 <sup>pm</sup> |
| Will you have bounce houses or inflatables?  | <input type="radio"/> Yes   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Vendor Name:                                |
| Provide a sketch of your event layout that includes any of the following that apply: stage(s), tent(s), layout of events/attractions, location of entertainment equipment, locations of vendors, alcohol consumption area, cash handling areas, routes for runners/walkers, dumpsters, portable toilets, parking area and emergency ingress/egress | Layout will match the 2024 EVENT - RECEPTION DRAWING will BE PROVIDED (more DETAILED) |                                     |   |
| You may be required at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Department to provide a safety plan for this event. If required, Park Staff will assist with preparing this plan. A template for a safety plan appears as Attachment 3.  | will be the SAME as 2024 show   |                                     |   |

Please email this completed form to: [wickham.park@brevardfl.gov](mailto:wickham.park@brevardfl.gov)