



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2024-556

Agenda Date: September 19, 2024

Department: Office of Communications & Marketing

Title: 2024-556 Informational Item: Upcoming City Events List (NB)

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Description: An informational report to summarize upcoming events of interest to the City Commission.

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact.

Explanation: The following provides a list of events coordinated or supported by the City of Gainesville from September 19, 2024 through October 16, 2024.

20th Annual Gainesville Latino Film Festival: “Noche Latina with Elio Piedra”

Bo Diddley Plaza

Friday, September 20

7:00 p.m.

Summary: Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an electrifying night of Latino music featuring Elio Piedra. An evening filled with salsa, merengue, and more is presented by the City of Gainesville and the Latina Women's League. This is a festive celebration of rich cultural heritage.

Healthy Afternoons with Gainesville Fire Rescue

Senior Recreation Center

Wednesday September 25

3:00 – 5:00 pm

Summary: Fun, family-friendly activities, valuable health and safety information, and connections with local organizations. Free and open to the public. September's focus is support for older adults.

2024 Gainesville Pride Festival

Bo Diddley Plaza

Saturday, September 28

12:00 pm

Summary: The Gainesville Pride Festival is a fabulous opportunity for vendors to support the LGBTQ+ community in North Central Florida. The same great festival is

happening a month early. Over 5,000 attendees are expected to visit Bo Diddley Plaza for food, fun, and festivities. Performances will be scheduled between 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

**UNITY in CommUNITY – March for Peace & Justice
Bo Diddley Plaza**

Wednesday, October 16

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Summary: Organized by the River Phoenix Center for Peacebuilding, this rally at Bo Diddley Plaza will focus on the voices of youth. The group will march up Main Street and back to the plaza for entertainment to include youth poetry, music and art.

Strategic Connection:

- Goal 1: Equitable Community
- Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- Goal 5: “Best in Class” Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission receive the informational list.