



**City of Santa Barbara  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 23, 2009**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Longstreet called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Longstreet

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners & Staff Present**

Commissioners Present: Beebe Longstreet, Daraka Larimore-Hall, W. Scott Burns, Daniel Hochman, Commission Intern Diego Torres-Santos

Staff Present: Parks & Recreation Director Nancy Rapp, Asst. Parks & Recreation Director Jill Zachary, Recreation Programs Manager Sarah Hanna, Recreation Programs Manager Judith McCaffrey, Parks Manager Santos Escobar, Street Tree Inspector Randy Fritz, Recreation Supervisor Rich Hanna, Recreation Supervisor Terry Brown, Recreation Supervisor Jeff Smith, and Executive Assistant Karla Megill

**Commissioners Absent**

Commissioner Ada Conner

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Item 5, Parks and Recreation Budget, and Item 6, Neighborhood Outreach Services, were deferred to the next meeting.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one wished to speak.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE RECOGNITION**

1. Recognition of Monica Jones, Sandra O'Meara and the Friends of Los Baños del Mar Pool - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission recognize Monica Jones, Sandra O'Meara, and the Friends of Los Baños del Mar Pool for their support of aquatic programming for youth and adults at Los Baños and Ortega Park swimming pools.

Documents:

- Staff Report
- Staff PowerPoint Presentation

Speakers:

- Staff: Rich Hanna, Sr. Recreation Supervisor
- Members of the Public: Monica Jones, Friends of Los Baños

Ms. Jones, Ms. O'Meara, and the Friends of Los Baños were recognized by the Commission for their efforts.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS**

Commissioner Larimore-Hall reported on the activities of the Neighborhood and Outreach Services Ad Hoc Committee. He would like a presentation for the commission on the history of the City's neighborhood centers, services, outreach and where it came from.

Chair Longstreet reported on the Commission budget planning meeting.

### **COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT**

Intern Torres-Santos provided this report.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

2. Summary of Council Actions - For Information
3. Approval of Minutes - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission:

- A. That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 26, 2009; and
- B. That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the special meeting of September 8, 2009.

**Commissioner W. Scott Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 to approve the minutes as presented.**

## **STREET TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS**

### **4. Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations - For Action**

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Deny the following Street Tree removal requests.

Documents:

- Staff Report
- Staff PowerPoint Presentation

Speaker:

- Staff: Randy Fritz, Forestry Supervisor

1. 112 Chapala St. - Karen Lytle - (1) Callistemon citrinus, Lemon Bottlebrush, and (2) Callistemon viminalis, Weeping Bottlebrush

**Commissioner Daniel Hochman moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 4/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4A (1).**

2. 826 E. Anapamu St. - William Lopanik - Pinus pinea, Italian Stone Pine

**Commissioner W. Scott Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4A(2).**

B. Approve the following Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 1438 Lou Dillon Ln. - Carolyn Chapman - Gleditsia triacanthos, Honey Locust

**Commissioner Daniel Hochman moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 4/0 to concur with the recommendation of the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4B(1)**

2. 106 N. Salinas St. - Jeffrey "Skip" Stecker - Tipuana tipu, Tipu

**Commissioner W. Scott Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 to concur with the recommendation of the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4B(2) and incorporating the staff recommendation to develop a landscape plan with the new replacement trees before they remove the trees.**

C. Deny the following Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 2121 Red Rose Way - Arlene and Paul Westefer - Schinus terebinthifolius, Brazilian Pepper

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 4/0 to concur with the recommendation with the Street Tree Advisory Committee on item 4C(1)**

2. 210 Los Alamos Ave. - Nancy Starks - Cupaniopsis anacardioides, Carrotwood

**Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 3/1 to concur with the recommendation of the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4C(2).**

**Commissioner Hochman voted Nay.**

3. 621 Ricardo Ave. - Dave Murphy - Washingtonia robusta, Mexican Fan Palm (Continued from June 24, 2009)

**Commissioner W. Scott Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 to concur with the recommendation of the Street Tree Advisory Committee regarding item 4C(3).**

D. Approve change(s) to the Street Tree Master Plan.

1. Foothill Centre - Consideration of proposed street trees on Foothill Rd. frontage, between Highway 154 and Cieneguitas Rd.

**Commissioner Daniel Hochman moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 4/0 to approve changes to the Street Tree Master plan for 4D(1).**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS**

5. Parks and Recreation Budget - For Discussion  
Deferred to next meeting.
6. Neighborhood and Outreach Services - For Discussion  
Deferred to next meeting.
7. Summer Camp Report 2009 - For Information

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on summer camp highlights and response to new camp offerings.

Documents:

- Staff Report - Staff PowerPoint
- Presentation Speakers: - Staff: Sarah Hanna, Recreation Programs Manager; Rich Hanna, Sr. Recreation Supervisor; Terry Brown, Recreation Supervisor; Jeff Smith, Recreation Supervisor.

8. City Leadership Academy - Cabrillo Bathhouse Public/Private Feasibility Assessment - For Information

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a report from the City Leadership Academy on the Cabrillo Bathhouse Public/Private Feasibility Assessment.

Documents:

- Staff Report
- Staff PowerPoint

Speakers:

- Staff: Scott Riedman, Waterfront Business Manager; Sue Gray, Community Development Program Supervisor; Cathy Taylor, Water Systems Manager; Steve Berman, Fire Captain

**Commissioner Hochman departed at 5:54 p.m.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

10. Establish an Arts & Crafts Show Ad Hoc Committee - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission establish an Ad Hoc Committee to develop options and recommendations for the future administration of the Arts and Crafts Show.

Documents:

- Staff Report

Speakers:

- Staff: Nancy Rapp, Parks and Recreation Director;
- Arts & Crafts Show Advisory Committee Chair, Kevin Healy
- Members of the Public: John Granfield, Jeff Kennedy, Mark Hilly, Marilyn Loperfido, Deborah Healy, Marilyn Dannehower, Sue Slater, Laurie Lehman, Barbara Galloway, Pegeen Soutar.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Larimore-Hall said he is in favor of the Ad Hoc Committee, as he would like to have more details before he makes any policy change recommendations regarding the Show.

Commissioner Burns asked to see the final 2005 Ad Hoc Committee Report. He said another format might be better, he would like to explore alternative proposals.

Chair Longstreet concurred and supports the Ad Hoc Committee.

**Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Scott Burns, and passed 4/0 to concur with the staff recommendation to form an Ad Hoc Committee Arts and Crafts Show Committee with the make up as described in the proposal.**

9. Pershing Park Softball Field Improvements - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission approve the proposal from Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) for improvements to the Pershing Park softball field dugouts, fencing, and infield dirt.

Documents:

- Staff Report
- PowerPoint Presentation

Speakers:

- Staff: Santos Escobar, Parks Manager; Jeff Smith, Recreation Supervisor
- SBCC Representative: Doug Reeves, D.W. Reeves & Assoc. A.I.A. Architects.
- Members of the Public: Dave Johnson, President Major League Softball

Commission Comments:

Commissioner Burns suggested naming the field after someone and asking that person to donate money for that honor.

Chair Longstreet asked staff to work with all parties to be sure the needs of all parties are met. She stressed the importance of allowing public access.

Chair Longstreet expressed concern regarding drainage to the creek. Mr. Reeves said it already drains in there now. Chair Longstreet said they need to be prepared to put in filters.

Chair Longstreet asked if the project will result in additional maintenance costs. Mr. Escobar said staff will work with the City Attorney to amend the Joint Use Agreement to ensure City College handles all maintenance for the additional items.

**Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Daraka Larimore-Hall, and passed 4/0 to support the Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) project with the provisions that they work with staff and Major League Softball (MLS) regarding scheduling and some of the field details and that it follows all of the provisions in the staff report regarding maintenance and no increased costs to City, and that public access be maintained.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:20 p.m., with no further business to come before the Commission,

**Commissioner W. Scott Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 4/0 to adjourn.**

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Rapp  
Parks and Recreation Director