



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, March 23, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lesley Wiscomb called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Lesley Wiscomb

ROLL CALL

Commissioners and Staff Present

Chair Lesley Wiscomb
Vice Chair Mark Rincon-Ibarra
Commissioner LeeAnne French
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
Commissioner Ed Cavazos
Commissioner Jim Heaton
Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary
Parks Manager Santos Escobar
Urban Forest Superintendent Timothy Downey
Capital Projects Supervisor George Thomson
Recreation Manager Rich Hanna
Youth & Adapted Supervisor I Emily Fox
Marketing Coordinator Summers Case
Executive Assistant Teasha Blackman

Commissioners Absent

Commissioner Nichol Clark

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Move Youth Council Report, Commissioner Committee Assignment Reports, Committee and Staff Communications, and Ceremonial Items to follow Street Tree Advisory Committee Items.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kenneth Loche, Tennisance Method
Frank Randall, Hale Park
Peter May, Hale Park

CONSENT ITEMS

1. **Subject: Summary of Council Actions – For Information (Attachment)**

The Commission received this item.

2. **Subject: Minutes – For Action (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 24, 2016.

Motion:

Commissioners Longstreet / Cavazos to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of February 24, 2016.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Clark)

STREET TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS

Any action of the Parks and Recreation Commission made pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 15.24, Preservation of Trees, may be appealed to the City Council within ten days.

3. **Subject: Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations – For Action (Attachment)**

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 23, 2016
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Conditionally approve the following Street Tree removal request:

1. 3895 Fairfax Rd. and 330 N. La Cumbre Rd. – (3) *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, *Jacaranda* and (1) *Yucca elephantipes*, Giant Yucca – Eric Goodall

The Commission received the report, their questions were answered, and the following action was taken.

Motion:

Commissioners Longstreet / Wiscomb to support the recommendation of the conditional removal of the trees at 3895 Fairfax Rd. and 330 N. La Cumbre Rd. as it meets the findings of good forest management.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Clark)

B. Approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 216 Santa Rosa Pl. – *Ficus benjamina*, Weeping Fig – Ashely Pimley

The Commission received the report, their questions were answered, and the following action was taken.

Motion:

Commissioners French / Heaton to agree with the tree removal for 216 Santa Rosa Place.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Clark)

- C. Approve the following designation changes to the Street Tree Master Plan:

1. 1300 block of Portesuello Ave. – Co-designate an alternative species – Rob Maday Landscape

The Commission received the report, their questions were answered, and the following action was taken.

Motion:

Commissioners Rincon-Ibarra / Longstreet to approve the designation of the street tree master plan at the 1300 block of Portesuello Avenue and accept the Chinese Pistache as an alternate tree.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Clark)

2. 600-800 blocks of Roberto Ave. – Changes to the designated street tree- James H. Suttle and LaDonna H. Suttle

The Commission received the report, their questions were answered, and the following action was taken.

Motion:

Commissioners Wiscomb / Rincon-Ibarra to co-designate the *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree at the 800 block of Roberto Avenue and deny the addition of the *Syagrus romansoffiana*, Queen Palm for the 600-800 block of Roberto Avenue. This motion is made in the best interest of good forest management within the city.

Vote:

Majority voice vote. (Absent: Clark; Abstain: French)

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT: The Commission received the report from Camille Cosio, 2nd Vice Chair.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioner French reported on the Arts and Crafts Show Advisory Committee meeting.

Commissioner Heaton had nothing to report.

Commissioner Longstreet reported that the Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC) was cancelled but she attended the Veronica Meadows Opening.

Commissioner Cavazos reported on the PARC Foundation meeting and the upcoming Magic on the Urban Wine Trail fundraiser coming up on April 17.

Vice Chair Rincon-Ibarra had nothing to report as the NAC meeting was cancelled.

Chair Wiscomb reported on the the Street Tree Advisory Committee meeting, PARC Fund Development and regular PARC meetings. The Golf Advisory Committee meeting was cancelled but she reported financial highlights.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Recreation Manager Rich Hanna introduced recently hired Youth & Adapted Supervisor I Emily Fox.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS: None.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

4. Subject: Capital Projects Update – For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 23, 2016
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Capital Projects Supervisor George Thomson

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a status report on Parks and Recreation Capital Projects.

The Commission unanimously received the report and their questions were answered.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Subject: 2016 Summer Camp Marketing and Registration Review – For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 23, 2016

- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Recreation Manager Rich Hanna
- Marketing Coordinator Summers Case

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on the 2016 summer camp marketing and registration success.

The Commission unanimously received the report and their questions were answered.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:37 p.m., with no further business to be addressed by the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Zachary
Parks and Recreation Director