



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

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, July 27, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lesley Wiscomb called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Lesley Wiscomb

ROLL CALL

Commissioners and Staff Present

Chair Lesley Wiscomb
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
Commissioner Nichol Clark
Commissioner Andria Martinez Cohen
Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Rich Hanna
Recreation Manager Judith Cook McCaffrey
Creeks Manager Cameron Benson
Executive Assistant Teasha Blackman
Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
Creeks Outreach Coordinator Liz Smith
Capital Projects Supervisor George Thomson
Associate Planner Kathy Frye

Commissioners Absent

Commissioner Ed Cavazos
Commissioner Jacob Lesner-Buxton

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Move Agenda Item 8 to next month when more commissioners are present.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT: None

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioners Longstreet and Clark had nothing to report.

Chair Wiscomb reported on the Street Tree Advisory Committee meeting and the Golf Advisory Committee Meeting.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: None

CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey introduced the new Street Tree Supervisor Nathan Slack.

Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Rich Hanna recognized Associate Planner Kathy Frye for her ten years' service.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

The Commission received the item.

2. Subject: Minutes – For Action (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 22, 2016.

The Commission received the items.

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Clark to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 22, 2016.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

STREET TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS

Any action of the Parks and Recreation Commission made pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 15.20, Tree Planting and Maintenance or 15.24, Preservation of Trees, may be appealed to the City Council within ten days, pursuant to provisions of Section 1.30.050 of the Municipal Code.

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

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 27, 2016
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
- Public Speaker Evan Collins (Item 3.C.1)

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Approve the following Street Tree removal request:

1. 1405 Harbor View Dr. – (1) *Pinus radiata*, Monterey Pine and (1) *Yucca elephantipes*, Giant Yucca – City of Santa Barbara Public Works Engineering

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Martinez Cohen to approve the removal of the Monterey Pine and Yucca at 1405 Harbor View Dr. on the condition that Public Works staff work with Parks staff to develop larger plantable spaces for street trees.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

B. Deny the following Street Tree removal request:

1. 2203 Chapala St. – *Liquidambar styraciflua*, American Sweetgum – Ernestine Maidwell

Motion:

Commissioner Clark / Longstreet to agree with the Street Tree Advisory Committee findings and deny the removal of the Liquidambar at 2203 Chapala St.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

C. Approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 302 Alston Rd. – *Araucaria columnaris*, Cook Pine – Evan Collins

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Martinez Cohen to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation for 302 Alston Rd. for the removal of the Cook Pine, provided it be replaced within a year with a tree that can achieve 25 ft.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

- D. Partially approve the following Setback Tree removal request:
1. 916 E. Ortega St. – (1) *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm and (1) *Howea spp.*, Howea Palm – Juana Garcia.

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Wiscomb to concur with staff recommendation for the removal of the Queen Palm at 916 E. Ortega St. and deny the removal of the Howea Palm.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

4. Annual Advisory Committee Reports – For Information (Attachments)

Documents:

-Staff Report dated July 27, 2016

Recommendation: That the Commission receive the Annual Advisory Committee Reports.

The Commission unanimously received the report.

5. Dig For Gold, Women’s Olympic Beach Volleyball Rio Medal Matches Viewing Party and Cabrillo Pavilion Fundraiser – For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

-Staff Report dated July 27, 2016

-Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Rich Hanna

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on the Dig for Gold, Women’s Olympic Beach Volleyball Rio Medal Matches Viewing Party and Cabrillo Pavilion fundraiser.

The Commission unanimously received the report, provided feedback and had their questions answered.

6. Subject: Creeks Education And Outreach Program Update – For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 27, 2016
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Creeks Outreach Coordinator Liz Smith

Recommendation: That the Commission receive an update on the Creeks Division's Education and Outreach efforts.

The Commission unanimously received the report, provided feedback and had their questions answered.

7. Subject: Westside Boys and Girls Club Annual Report – For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 27, 2016
- PowerPoint presented by United Boys and Girls Club

Speakers:

- Recreation Manager Judith Cook McCaffrey
- United Boys and Girls Club CEO Michael Baker
- Westside Boys and Girls Club Director Priscilla Hernandez

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation and annual report on the Westside Boys and Girls Club for Fiscal Year 2016.

The Commission unanimously received the report, provided feedback and had their questions answered.

8. Subject: Advisory Committee Liaison Appointments – For Action

Removed from the agenda; moved to next month.

9. Subject: Annual Election of Chair and Vice Chair – For Action

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 27, 2016

Recommendation: That the Commission elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve as presiding officer for the period of August 1, 2016 through July 30, 2017.

Motion:

Commissioner Wiscomb / Martinez Cohen to elect Beebe Longstreet as Chair and Nichol Clark as Vice Chair.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Cavazos and Lesner-Buxton)

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:21 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