



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, April 3, 2014**
Parks Lunch Room
402 E. Ortega Street
8:30 a.m.

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:31 AM
2. ROLL CALL
Members present: Des O'Neill, Maury Treman, Grant Castleberg, Bob Cunningham (left street tour at 9:45 AM) and Duke McPherson
Staff present: Tim Downey, Patty Herrera, Randy Fritz, and George Johnson; Creeks Supervisor
P&R Commission Liaison: Lesley Wiscomb
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Regular Meeting, March 6, 2014 – Approved as amended

Member Des O'Neill moved, seconded by Bob Cunningham that the March 6, 2014, Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as amended, passed, 5/0.

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
Take New Business item Euclid Ave. after Member and Staff Communications.
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION
A. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION ACTIONS
 1. Tim updated STAC Members of Commission actions: Commission concurred with STAC recommendations on all tree items.
 2. Tim updated STAC Members on enforcement cases.
 3. Tim informed STAC that the Urban Forest Management Plan is scheduled to go to City Council on April 8, 2014. Lesley Wiscomb asked STAC members to ask City Council for their support and encouraged them to attend the City Council Meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. TREE REMOVAL CONSIDERATIONS

STREET TREES

None

SETBACK TREES

1. 154 Romaine Dr. – *Araucaria columnaris*, Cook Pine – Denise Platt-Maginn

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny removal of the tree.

Member Maury Treman moved, seconded by Grant Castleberg to recommend that the Commission deny removal of the tree, passed 3/1. Member Duke McPherson was the dissenting vote.

2. 121 Terrace Vista Ln. – (2) *Eucalyptus leucoxylon*, White Ironbark – Jason M. Bock

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removal of the tree closest to the front door and deny removal of the tree closest to the slope.

Member Maury Treman moved, seconded by Duke McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve removal of the tree closest to the front door and deny removal of the tree closest to the slope, passed 4/0.

- B. Euclid Ave. – Receive a report from the Parks and Recreation Department, Creeks Division on a potential project and provide comments about the potential removals and trimming – George Johnson

George Johnson, Creeks Supervisor, presented a plan to plant native trees (about 10') from banks of Mission Creek (from Micheltorena St. to parking lot of Westside Community Center and stretch the 1300-1400 blocks of Euclid Ave.) to get native trees such as Oaks and Sycamore trees and possibly some Cotton Woods growing along the banks. George requested comments on removing and pruning of non-native trees along the channel bank. The Creeks Division is proposing to put in 120 new trees and plans on putting in irrigation, however with current drought conditions, the plan may be subject to change. George presented the plan and conducted a field walk of the site. The Committee commented the following actions:

1. Remove 4 Ironbark Eucalyptus
2. Remove 1 Brazilian Pepper
3. Remove 2 Chinese Elm
4. Remove 3 Eucalyptus conferruminata
5. Trim 6 Eucalyptus conferruminata
6. Remove 1 Lemon-Scented Eucalyptus
7. Remove 1 dead Myoporum
8. Remove 2 Eucalyptus platypus
9. Remove 2 Acacia Longifolia (1 is dying)
10. Trim 1 Eucalyptus torquata
11. Remove 3 Monterey Pines for Coast Live Oak to grow
12. Trim 3 Monterey Pines
13. Remove pine stump
14. Trim 1 Oak

8. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
None

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

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