



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

**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL
Regular Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

DRAFT - Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06pm by Chair Sebastian Aldana

ROLL CALL

Advisory Council Members Present

Aldana, Sebastian
Cavazos, Ed
Foxen, Sally
Fragosa, Abbey
Greene, Naomi
Haynes, Christy
Lafond, Susan
Limón, Javier
Peña, Theresa
Rution, Joseph

Staff Present

Recreation Programs Manager – Sarah Hanna
Administrative Specialist Jessica Martinez

Liaisons Present

Beebe Longstreet – Parks and Recreation Commission
Bendy White – City Council
Gregg Hart – City Council
Olivia Uribe – Parks and Recreation Commission

Advisory Council Members Absent

Heaton, Brittany
Soto, Ana

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

M. Alvarado – Reported the following:

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

S. Hanna – Reported the following:

- Attended CDBG interviews: R. Venegas did well
- NOJ hosted SB teen coalition today at FWC- presentations, info etc.

Councilmember Hart reported the following:

- Budget meeting - transient occupancy tax up, revenue up overall, looking to do additional maintenance especially parks and police records dept zoning apps and children's libraries
- Council adopted a stage 1 drought declaration – Urges City to conserve 20% of water

HEALTH, SAFETY & OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Member Pena reported that the Subcommittee Discussed

- Neighborhood Improvement community enhancement
- 2nd annual Menudo Festival \$10- Fundraiser for SBPD Explorer Program
- Needs for lower Westside Neighborhood (would like city to explore funding for lease of building)
- Long term lighting project - would like for this to remain a focus
- Discussed design and installation of 'welcome to neighborhood' sign

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the Minutes – For Action (Attachment)

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Cavazos and Peña respectively, to approve the minutes. Members Foxen and Haynes abstained. Motion Carried.

2. Issues identified by Health, Safety and Outreach Subcommittee – For Action (Attachment)

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Peña and Cavazos respectively, to waive the reading and approve the minutes (with changes). Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Neighborhood Enhancement Program – **For Discussion & Action**

Recommendation: That the N.A.C receive a brief presentation from staff and provide a prioritized list of small neighborhood improvement projects for construction in 2014.

\$20,000 to spend on Neighborhood Improvement Programs

- Parkways in front of Rentals (esp. between Carrillo to Montecito, San Pascual St to De La Guerra, Ortega St)
- Blighted areas (cleaning up dumping sites)
- Alta Vista Roundabouts – 1 of 3, neighbors would like materials to maintain roundabout with plants

- Laguna neighborhood to be declared historic district – would like markers to mark historic district – need to pay for engraving roughly \$500
- Eastside – Poles with missing signs (replace/restore signs) move trees/obstructions
- Post ‘No dumping’ type signs (pictures of proper disposal)
- Trim trees that block street lights (quarantina in front of SB Jr. High)
- Extra garbage cans/public trash cans around neighborhood by bus stops (need locations)
- Red curbs (additional) corners
- Temporary restroom at Kids World
- Villa Santa Barbara Retirement home - Corner of Garden and Anapamu – residents need accessible sidewalks
- Wentworth needs landscaping work by the footbridge
- Clean up walkways - Cornel St to Ladera, Cornel Hill to Mckinley St, Castillo and Montecito corners, Haley and Castillo where the island is
- Cacique St 1000 block (esp. block between Alisos and Soledad) drought resistant plants
- Add grip to sidewalks
- Alisos and Cota – corner parkways, removal of trees uprooting sidewalk

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Cavazos and Peña, respectively, to task the members of the N.A.C. with coming up with up to 3 projects each to be presented to staff within 2 weeks so that staff can then vet the projects and come back to the N.A.C. with the information on which can be done.

Discussion ensued.

Members Foxen, Limon, Pena, Aldana, Cavazos, Rution, Fragosa, Lafond, Haynes in favor..
Members Greene abstained. Motion Carried

2. Development of a Neighborhood Calendar of Events - **For Discussion & Action**

Recommendation: That the N.A.C. appoint two members to develop and maintain a calendar containing neighborhood related events and activities that can be updated monthly and circulated for public use.

3. Funding for street and sidewalk lighting - **For Discussion**

Recommendation: That the N.A.C. discuss funding strategies and sources for improving street and sidewalk lighting on Westside and Eastside Neighborhoods.

Discussion ensued.

Note: \$11 million for these projects
City Council will be bringing this to the public soon.

4. Welcome signs for local neighborhoods - **For Discussion**

Note: City Council will be bringing this to the public soon.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Martinez
NOS Administrative Specialist