



City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation – Parks Division

Memorandum

DATE: July 22, 2010
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: **IPM Advisory Committee Report For Fiscal Year 2010**

The IPM Advisory Committee provides advice to the Parks and Recreation Department and Commission regarding the City's IPM Strategy, Pesticide Hazard And Exposure Reduction (PHAER) Zone, and other related matters.

Member Representation

3 - Community At-Large – Oscar Carmona, Greg Chittick, Kristen LaBonte
1 - Pesticide Awareness and Alternatives Coalition (PAAC) - Corey Welles
1 – Environmental Defense Center - VACANT

Committee Members

Oscar Carmona (term expires 12/31/11)
Greg Chittick (term expires 12/31/11)
Kristen LaBonte (term expires 12/31/11)
Corey Welles (term expires 12/31/11)

Park and Recreation Commission Liaison

Chris Casebeer

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

Committee members are appointed by the Parks and Recreation Commission. Meetings are held quarterly, with special meetings called when necessary.

The Committee held three regular meetings and three special meetings between July 2009 and June 2010.

Committee Projects/Activities

- Reviewed and approved IPM 2009 Annual Report.
- Toured Chase Palm Park, Sheffield Open Space, and Alice Keck Park Memorial Gardens
- Brainstormed ideas for increasing park volunteer program, enhancing recruitment process, including creating an interactive form on website for volunteers to fill out, post-event press releases.

Concerns

- Budgetary challenges and decrease in maintenance service levels, leading to more weeds which are aesthetically unpleasing to a portion of the public.

Recommendations

- Recommended approval of IPM 2009 Annual Report to Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council.