



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

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

Wednesday, July 22, 2015

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Wiscomb

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners & Staff Present

Commissioner Lesley Wiscomb (Chair)
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet (Vice-Chair)
Commissioner Mark Rincon-Ibarra
Commissioner LeeAnne French
Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp
Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary
Recreation Manager Judith McCaffrey
Recreation Manager Rich Hanna
Administrative Analyst Mandy Burgess
Water Resources Specialist Jim Rumbley
Marketing Coordinator Summers Case
Parks Manager, Santos Escobar
Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
Executive Assistant Karla Megill
Planning Intern Sam Fragoso
Planning Intern Alina Werth

Commissioners Absent

Commissioner Ed Cavazos
Commissioner Nichol Clark
Commissioner Jim Heaton
Youth Intern Andrew Rodriguez

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Speakers: Ken Loch

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT: None.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioner French reported that she attended the Arts and Crafts Show Advisory Committee. She encouraged the community to attend the Show.

Commissioner Longstreet reported on the activities of the Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC) and Parks and Recreation Community (PARC) Foundation. She said PARC is getting ready for the 90+ Birthday Party and are looking for sponsors and encouraged the community to participate.

Commission Rincon-Ibarra reported on the activities of the NAC.

Chair Wiscomb reported on the activities of the Street Tree Advisory Committee. She said she attended the Golf Advisory Committee and shared a report on revenue and rounds. Ms. Wiscomb said she also attended the PARC Foundation meeting.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Summers Case provided an brief overview of the new Parks and Recreation Parks Map.

Ms. Rapp reminded the Commission that City Council will be providing direction to staff regarding the operating options for the Santa Barbara Golf Club. She advised that she would provide them with a copy of the Council Agenda Report.

The Commission acknowledged Ms. Rapp’s retirement and expressed appreciation for her contributions to the Department and City organization.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 1. Summary of Council Actions – For Information

The Commission received this item; there were no questions.

- 2. Approval of Minutes – For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the special joint meeting with the Golf Advisory Committee of June 15, 2015; and the regular meeting of June 24, 2015.

Commissioner Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Rincon-Ibarra, and passed 4/0 to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the special joint meeting with the Golf Advisory Committee of June 15, 2015; and the regular meeting of June 24, 2015.

Absent: Cavazos/Clark/Heaton

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. Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations – For Action

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 22, 2015
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Staff: Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
- Members of the Public: Item 3A(1) - Nick Svensson and Jessica Kinnahan Foley; Item 3C(1) Jeff Mikeska; Item 3D(1) Erik Couch

Recommendation: That the Commission:

- A. Deny the following Street Tree removal request:
1. 136 San Rafael Ave. – *Eucalyptus polyanthemos*, Silver Dollar Gum – Nick and Tara Svensson

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

Commissioner Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Rincon-Ibarra, and passed 4/0 to refer the request back to the Street Tree Advisory Committee with the new evidence.

Absent: Cavazos/Clark/Heaton

- B. Deny the following Setback Tree removal request:
1. 224 W. Islay St. – *Araucaria bidwillii*, Bunya Pine – Sandy Combs

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

Commissioner Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Rincon-Ibarra, and passed 4/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommendation to deny the Setback Tree removal request at 224 W. Islay Street.

Absent: Cavazos/Clark/Heaton

- C. Conditionally approve the following Setback Tree removal request:
1. 1387 Sycamore Canyon Rd. – *Pinus canariensis*, Canary Island Pine – Jeff Mikeska and Erica Storm

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

Commissioner French moved, seconded by Commissioner Longstreet, and passed 4/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and staff recommendation to conditionally approve the removal of *Pinus canariensis* tree at 1387 Sycamore Canyon Road.

Absent: Cavazos/Clark/Heaton

- D. Approve the following co-designation to the Street Tree Master Plan:
1. 0 W. Los Olivos St. – Erick and Mary Couch

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

Commissioner Wiscomb moved, seconded by Commissioner Longstreet, and passed 3/0/1 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee to retain the Arbutus unedo and add the co-designation Prosopis chilensis, Chilean Mesquite for 0 W. Los Olivos Street to the Street Tree Master Plan.

Absent: Cavazos/Clark/Heaton Abstained: Rincon-Ibarra

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

4. Forestry Tree Maintenance and Watering Data Collection and Analysis Project – For Information

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a report on the forestry tree maintenance and watering data collection and analysis project.

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 22, 2015
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Staff: Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary; Administrative Analyst Mandy Burgess; Planning Intern Sam Fragoso

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

5. Storm Water Management Program Report – For Information

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on the City's Storm Water Management Program.

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 22, 2015
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Staff: Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp; Water Resources Specialist Jim Rumbley

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

6. Annual Advisory Committee Reports – For Information

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

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 22, 2015

Speakers:

- Staff: Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp

The Commission unanimously received the reports.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Annual Election of Chair and Vice Chair – For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve as presiding officer for the period of August 1, 2015, through July 30, 2016.

Documents:

- Staff Report dated July 22, 2015

Speakers:

- Staff: Nancy L. Rapp, Parks and Recreation Director

Commission Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Rincon-Ibarra and passed 4/0 that Chair Wiscomb serve as Chair for the period of August 1, 2015, through July 30, 2016.

Commissioner Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Wiscomb and passed that Commissioner Rincon-Ibarra serve as Vice Chair for the period of August 1, 2015, through July 30, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:56 p.m., with no further business to be addressed by the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Rapp
Parks & Recreation Director