



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

**REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, March 28, 2018  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Beebe Longstreet called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Beebe Longstreet

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners and Staff Present**

Chair Beebe Longstreet  
Commissioner Tara Armbruster  
Commissioner Jacob Lesner-Buxton  
Commissioner Kathy McGill  
Commissioner Roger Perry  
Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary  
Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Rich Hanna  
Parks Manager Santos Escobar  
Parks Superintendent Ken Brown  
Street Tree Supervisor Nathan Slack  
Airport Facilities Manager Jeff McKee  
Executive Assistant Rose Nevarez

**Commissioners Absent**

Vice Chair Nichol Clark  
Commissioner Andria Martinez Cohen

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT:** None

**COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:**

Commissioner Perry attended and reported on the Arts and Crafts Advisory Committee meeting.

Commission Armbruster attended and reported on the Golf Advisory Committee meeting.

Commissioner Lesner-Buxton attended and reported on the Youth Council meeting.

Chair Longstreet attended and reported on the Neighborhood Advisory Council meeting.

**COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:**

Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary reminded the Commission of a Site Visit on April 4<sup>th</sup> at the Waterfront Hotel/Chase Palm Park transition area. She also reported that a community meeting scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup> at Thousand Steps was postponed due to rain and will now take place on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

**CEREMONIAL ITEMS:**

**1. Subject: Kids World Volunteer Recognition (Attachment)**

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 28, 2018
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speaker:

- Parks Manager Santos Escobar

Recommendation: That the Commission recognize Joseph Garred for his custom wood-working projects and long-term commitment to Kids World.

Parks Manager Escobar gave background on Kids World, showed examples of Joseph Garred's custom work, and thanked him for his dedication and hundreds of volunteer hours.

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

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

The Commission received the report and their questions were answered.

**3. Subject: Minutes – For Action (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2018.

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Perry / Armbruster to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2018.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (5/0)**

**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.

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

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 28, 2018
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Street Tree Supervisor Nathan Slack
- Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary
- Public Speaker Megan Slonski (Item 4.A.1)

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Approve the following Street Tree removal request:

1. 1202 Diana Rd. – *Quercus ilex*, Holly Oak – Shaun Lynch

The Commission received the report, listened to testimony from the public speaker, their questions were answered and the following action was taken.

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Armbruster / Perry to approve the removal of the Holly Oak at 1202 Diana Road contingent upon approval of the property development project and, if possible, a replacement tree be planted in a vacant spot on that street.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (5/0)**

B. Approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 625 W. Valerio St. – *Ulmus parvifolia*, Chinese Elm – Robin Theriault

The Commission received the report and the following action was taken:

**Motion:**

**Commissioner McGill / Armbruster to approve the removal of the Chinese Elm at 625 W. Valerio Street.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (5/0)**

- C. Deny changes to the Street Tree Master Plan:

1. 800 block of W. Anapamu St. – consider Arbutus as a co-designation – Sally Glasgow

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Armbruster / Perry to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and deny the change to the Street Tree Master Plan.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (5/0)**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS**

### **5. Subject: Director's Report – For Information (Attachment)**

Documents:

-Staff Report dated March 28, 2018

Speaker:

-Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a report on the status of the various Parks and Recreation Department initiatives and activities.

Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary reported on the implementation of the PerfectMind online registration platform. Director Zachary also informed the Commission of the EGGStravaganza event at Chase Palm Park and Bohnett Park, and the Egg Hunt at the Municipal Golf Course, taking place on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Commission received the report and their questions were answered.

### **6. Subject: Integrated Pest Management Report – For Action (Attachments)**

Documents:

- Staff Report dated March 28, 2018
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Parks Manager Santos Escobar
- Parks Superintendent Ken Brown
- Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary

Recommendation: That the Commission review and approve the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) 2017 Annual Report and forward the report to City Council.

Parks Superintendent Ken Brown reported on the background on the Integrated Pest Management Program, 2017 Program highlights, and plans for 2018.

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner McGill / Armbruster to approve the Integrated Pest Management Report.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (5/0)**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:55 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