



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

**SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, August 22, 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nichol Clark called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Nichol Clark

ROLL CALL

Commissioners and Staff Present

Chair Nichol Clark
Vice Chair Roger Perry
Commissioner Tara Armbruster
Commissioner Jacob Lesner-Buxton
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
Commissioner Andria Martinez Cohen
Commissioner Kathy McGill
Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary
Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Rich Hanna
Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
Public Works Project Engineer Eric Goodall
Executive Assistant Rose Nevarez

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT: None

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioner McGill attended and reported on the PARC Foundation Board meeting.

Commission Martinez Cohen was unable to attend the Creeks Advisory Committee meeting but reported they held a site visit of the Arroyo Burro Open Space Project.

Commissioner Longstreet attended and reported on two Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan Subcommittee meetings.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: None

CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

1. Subject: Employee Recognition – Service Award Pins

Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary recognized Rich Hanna, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, for 20 years of service.

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 Special Joint Meeting of July 27, 2018.

Motion:

Commissioner McGill / Longstreet to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 27, 2018.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (6/0/1) (Abstain: Lesner-Buxton)

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 August 22, 2018
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Urban Forest Superintendent Tim Downey
- Public Speaker William Evick (Item 4.D.1)

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Conditionally approve the following Street Tree removal request:

1. 316 W. Micheltorena St. – *Pittosporum undulatum*, Victorian Box – Martha Degasis, Arcadia Studio

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

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Armbruster to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation to allow the removal on the condition it be replaced with two street trees.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (7/0)

B. Deny the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 714 Alston Rd. – *Acacia melanoxylon*, Black Acacia – Kate Novotny, Alston Cottage, LLC

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

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / Armbruster to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and deny the removal without prejudice on the recommendation that the homeowner obtain an arborist report on the condition of the tree after which the item can go back for administrative approval and determination of replacement tree(s).

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

C. Approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 405 Old Coast Highway – *Pinus pinea*, Italian Stone Pine – Eric Goodall, Project Engineer, City of Santa Barbara Public Works Engineering

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

Motion:

Commissioner McGill / Perry to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and approve the removal.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

D. Conditionally approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 120 Summit Ln. – (3) *Pinus canariensis*, Canary Island Pine – William and Beth Evick

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

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / McGill to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and approve the removals on the condition they be replaced with at least one setback tree that can achieve 30 feet in height.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

E. Approve the following designation change to the Street Tree Master Plan:

1. 1100-1300 San Pascual St. – tree designation change for parkway size – Staff

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

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / McGill to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and approve the Street Tree Master Plan change for the 1100 block of San Pascual to *Brachychiton populneus*.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

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

Documents:

-Staff Report dated August 22, 2018

Speaker:

-Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary

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

Director Zachary reported on Creek Week, September 15 – 22, and the 27th Annual Day of Caring to be held on September 15. She also reported that the new playground at the Municipal Tennis facility opened on August 21, and there will be a ribbon cutting September 19 at 3:30 pm. Other site improvements are completed as well. The Cabrillo Ballpark will be opening next week and a ribbon cutting will take place on September 10 at 1:00 pm. Restroom improvements were not included in this stage and will occur in the future.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:05 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