



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

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, December 18, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nichol Clark called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at the City Council Chamber.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Nichol Clark

ROLL CALL

Commissioners and Staff Present

Chair Nichol Clark
Vice Chair Kathy McGill
Commissioner Cory Baker
Commissioner Jacob Lesner-Buxton
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
Commissioner Andria Martinez Cohen
Commissioner Roger Perry
Parks Manager Matthew Parker
Urban Forest Superintendent Nathan Slack
Administrative Analyst Michele Kostenuik
Public Works Supervising Engineer Brad Klinzing
Arcadia Studio Principal Laurie Romano
Arcadia Studio Associate Kalie Grubb

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT: None

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioner Longstreet attended and reported on two Sea Level Rise Subcommittee meetings and the Municipal Golf Course Holiday Family Fun Day on December 15.

Agenda Item: 3

Commissioner Lesner-Buxton attended and reported on two Youth Council meetings.

Commissioner Baker attended and reported on the Golf Advisory Committee meeting.

Vice Chair McGill attended and reported on the PARC Foundation Board meeting.

Chair Clark attended and reported on the PARC Foundation Board meeting and the Street Tree Advisory Committee meeting.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary acknowledged Administrative Analyst Michele Kostenuik, acting as support staff for the Commission meeting.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

1. Subject: Employee Recognition – Service Award Pins

Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary recognized Aquatics Supervisor Tony Sholl for 5 years of service and Grounds Maintenance Worker Juan Garcia for 15 years of service.

CONSENT ITEMS:

2. Subject: Minutes – For Action (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2019.

Motion:

Commissioner McGill / Perry to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2019.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

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.

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

Documents:

- Staff Report dated December 18, 2019
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Urban Forest Superintendent Nathan Slack

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Conditionally approve the following setback tree removal requests:

1. 233 Calle Manzanita – *Acer saccharinum*, Silver Maple – Jan Rohrbach

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

Motion:

Commissioner Longstreet / McGill to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and approve the removal on the condition that a canopy tree that can achieve 30 feet in height be planted within the front setback, as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, principles of good forest management will be best served by the proposed removal.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

2. 104 Santa Cruz Blvd. – *Pittosporum undulatum*, Victorian Box – Christopher Kay

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

Motion:

Commissioner McGill / Longstreet to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee and approve the removal on the condition that a canopy tree that can achieve 30 feet in height be planted within the front setback along Santa Cruz Blvd., as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, principles of good forest management will be best served by the proposed removal.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

3. 215 La Jolla Dr. – *Maytenus boaria*, Mayten Tree – Frank and Marlene Bucy

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

Motion:

Commissioner Clark / Perry to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and approve the removal on the condition it be replaced with a Gold Medallion tree. The Commission found, pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, principles of good forest management will be best served by the proposed removal.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

B. Deny the following street tree removal request:

1. 521 Alameda Padre Serra – *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*, River Red Gum – Richele Mailand, Richele Design

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

Motion:

Commissioner Clark / Longstreet to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and deny the removal.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

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

Documents:

-Staff Report dated December 18, 2019

Speaker:

-Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary

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

Director Jill Zachary reported on the 2019 Flag Football League tournament held at Dwight Murphy Field on November 22, the Adapted Program Thanksgiving Luncheon sponsored by the Kiwanis Club on November 27, and the Los Baños del Mar Pool maintenance closure from December 16-29.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Subject: Central Library Plaza Renovation - For Information (Attachment)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated December 18, 2019

Speakers:

- Public Works Supervising Engineer Brad Klinzing
- Arcadia Studio Associate Kalie Grubb

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on the status and overview of the Central Library Plaza Renovation Project.

Supervising Engineer Brad Klinzing gave an overview of the project. The original plan was approved in 2015, but the project was postponed due to lack of funding. Phase One, south entrance accessibility upgrades, was completed in October 2017. City Council awarded Arcadia Studio the Phase Two design contract in October 2018. Phase Two design objectives updated the original plans to include current code requirements and programming needs. The Parks and Recreation Commission approved tree disposition in October, and the Historic Landmarks Committee granted Project Design Approval with conditions on November 27. The project will go before HLC in January 2020 for Final Approval.

Arcadia Studio Associate Kalie Grubb reviewed the current site plan, noting changes from the original.

The Commission received the report and their questions were answered.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Subject: Advisory Committee Interviews and Appointments – For Action (Attachments)

Documents:

- Staff Report dated December 18, 2019

Speakers:

- Joanne Payne
- Greg Chittick
- Kristen LaBonte
- Larry Saltzman
- Duke McPherson

Recommendation: That the Commission hold interviews and make appointments to the Golf Advisory Committee, the IPM Advisory Committee, and the Street Tree Advisory Committee.

The Commission interviewed an applicant for the Golf Advisory Committee and made the following motion.

Motion:
Commissioner Longstreet / Baker to reappoint Joanne Payne to the Golf Advisory Committee.

Vote:
Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

The Commission interviewed applicants for the Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee and made the following motion.

Motion:
Commissioner Clark / Longstreet to reappoint Gregg Chittick, Kristen LaBonte, and Larry Saltzman to the Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee.

Vote:
Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

The Commission interviewed an applicant for the Street Tree Advisory Committee and made the following motions.

Motion:
Commissioner Clark / Baker to reappoint Duke McPherson in the Non-Resident category.

Vote:
Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

Motion:
Commissioner Longstreet / Perry to reappoint Bruce Reed and Maury Treman to the Street Tree Advisory Committee.

Vote:
Unanimous voice vote (7/0)

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:01 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