



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

**REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, February 26, 2020  
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 Beebe Longstreet  
Commissioner Andria Martinez Cohen  
Commissioner Roger Perry  
Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary  
Parks Manager Matthew Parker  
Urban Forest Superintendent Nathan Slack  
Senior Recreation Supervisor Susan Jang-Bardick  
Public Works Engineer Laura Yanez  
Executive Assistant Rose Nevarez

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT**

Youth Council Chair Quinn Stefan and Treasurer Davis Flanagin reported on the Youth Council's work on anti-vaping, including producing a public service announcement in both English and Spanish, sending a letter to the County Board of Supervisors in support of a ban on the sale of flavored tobacco, and a presentation to the Neighborhood Advisory Committee. The Youth Leadership Summit will take place on April 4, and will include an educational youth speakout on vaping and its impact on youth health. Councilmembers Stefan and Flanagin then presented the anti-vaping public service announcement.

Agenda Item: 3

**COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:**

Commissioner Longstreet attended and reported on the Neighborhood Advisory Council, Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan Subcommittee, and the De la Guerra Plaza Revitalization Design Subcommittee meetings.

Commissioner Lesner-Buxton attended the Youth Council meeting.

Commissioner McGill attended and reported on the PARC Foundation meeting.

Chair Clark attended the Street Tree Advisory Committee meeting.

**COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**CEREMONIAL ITEMS:** None

**CONSENT ITEMS:**

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

The Commission received the report.

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

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2020.

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Perry / McGill to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2020.**

**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 February 26, 2020
- Staff PowerPoint presented by Staff

Speakers:

- Urban Forest Superintendent Nathan Slack
- Gregory Baker (Item 3.C.1)
- Tim Reinauer (Item 3.D.2)
- Richard Mason (Item 3.F.1)

Recommendation: That the Commission:

A. Conditionally approve the following street tree removal request:

1. Intersection of Olive Mill Rd., Coast Village Rd., N. Jameson Ln., and US 101 – (1) *Corymbia citriodora*, Lemon Scented Gum, and (4) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – Laura Yanez, Public Works Engineering

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 and approve the removals on the condition that replacement trees on a one to one ratio of currently designated species be planted along the 1200 block of Coast Village Road.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

B. Approve the following changes to the Master Street Tree Plan:

1. Olive Mill Rd. – consider *Olea europaea*, Olive, as an alternate designation – Laura Yanez, Public Works Engineering

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 Olive as an alternate co-designation.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

C. Partially and conditionally approve the following street tree removal request:

1. 1308 E. Cota St. – (2) *Albizia julibrissin*, Silk Tree – Karen Christman, Arbor Services, Inc.

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Longstreet / Martinez Cohen to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and deny the removal of the western Silk Tree and approve removal and replacement of the eastern tree with a Coast Live Oak by City staff, who will also prune the western tree.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

D. Deny the following street tree removal requests:

1. 216 Santa Rosa Pl. – *Brachychiton populneus*, Kurrajong – Ann Tozier

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

**Motion:**

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

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

2. 436 Foxen Dr. – *Brahea edulis*, Guadalupe Palm – Timothy Reinauer

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner McGill / Martinez Cohen to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and deny the removal, as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, no findings for its removal were identified.**

**Vote:**

**Majority voice vote (6/1) (Nay: Lesner-Buxton)**

E. Approve the following setback tree removal request:

1. 1171 Crestline Dr. – (2) *Maytenus boaria*, Mayten Tree – Anthony R. Perez

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 recommendation and approve the removals, as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, the principles of good forest management will best be**

**served and the character of the immediate neighborhood would not be materially affected by the removals.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

F. Conditionally approve the following setback tree removal request:

1. 3445-3449 Richland Dr. – (1) *Juniperus chinensis* ‘*Torulosa*,’ Hollywood Juniper, and (3) *Juniper sp.*, Juniper sp. – Richard Mason, Kitson Landscape Management

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Longstreet / McGill to refer the item back to the Street Tree Advisory Committee to revisit the location of replacement trees.**

**Vote:**

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

G. Partially and conditionally approve the following setback tree removal requests:

1. 1212 Punta Gorda St. – (1) *Aesculus hippocastanum*, Common Horsechestnut, (1) *Ficus benjamina*, Weeping Fig, and (1) *Ceiba speciosa*, Floss Silk Tree – Ricardo Frustockl

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Longstreet / Perry to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and approve the removals of the Common Horsechestnut and Weeping Fig on the condition a replacement 15 gallon Coast Live Oak be planted, as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, the principles of good forest management will best be served and a reasonable development of the property requires their removal, and deny removal of the Floss Silk Tree, as no findings for its removal were identified.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

2. 3069 Calle Mariposa – (1) *Pyrus kawakamii*, Evergreen Pear, and (1) *Citrus sinensis*, Orange – Greg Mohr and Wendy Wittl

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

**Motion:**

**Commissioner Clark / Martinez Cohen to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation and approve removal of the Orange on the condition a replacement fruit tree be planted as proposed on the application, as pursuant to SBMC 15.24.090, the principles of good forest management will best be served by its removal, and deny removal of the Evergreen Pear, as no findings for its removal were identified.**

**Vote:**

**Unanimous voice vote (7/0)**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF REPORTS**

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

Documents:

-Staff Report dated February 26, 2020

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 Adapted Programs Valentine's Day Dance held on February 7, Summer Camp marketing, and the Cabrillo Pavilion Renovation.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:40 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