



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, January 5, 2017**

Parks Lunch Room
402 E. Ortega Street
8:30 AM

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:28 AM
2. ROLL CALL
Members present: Bob Cunningham, Duke McPherson, Maury Treman, Des O'Neill and Bruce Reed (arrived 8:43 AM)
Parks and Recreation staff present: Tim Downey, Nathan Slack, Rich Hanna, and Patty Herrera
Community Development staff present: Steven Greer, Jessica Grant with Las Positas/Modoc Rd. Multiuse Path Project
Public Works Engineering staff present: Ashleigh Shue with Las Positas/Modoc Rd. Multiuse Path Project
Parks and Recreation Liaison: Lesley Wiscomb
Members of the public: Robert Adams, Vince Ward, Bill Spiewak with 3626 San Remo Dr., and Martha Degasis with 900 Indio Muerto St.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Regular Meeting Minutes, December 1, 2016

Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member McPherson to approve the December 1, 2016, Regular Meeting Minutes, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
Take 3626 San Remo Dr. first and then Las Positas/Modoc Rd. Multiuse Path Project after Member and Staff Communication.
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION
 - A. Mr. Downey advised STAC of P&R Commission actions in December. Commission concurred with all of STAC's recommendations except with 800 Cabrillo Blvd. Commission concurred with staff's recommendation to support replacement plantings to include two new *Phoenix dactylifera*, Date Palms, but does not support the installation of the *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palms.
 - B. Mr. Downey gave an enforcement update; one case closed and one new case reported.
 - C. Mr. Downey congratulated re-appointed members Treman and Cunningham.
 - D. Mr. Downey reminded STAC to elect a Chair and Vice Chair at next month's meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

STREET TREES

1. The Las Positas/Modoc Rd. Multiuse Path Project – various trees – Ashleigh Shue, Public Works Engineering

The Committee commented they would support complete removal of the Eucalyptus and palm trees within work limits of the project. The Committee recommends all trees be approved for removal on condition the replacement trees have diversity of size up to 60” box on site and within the limit of the project and the replacement trees focus on native species.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member O’Neill to recommend all trees be approved for removal on condition the replacement trees have diversity of size up to 60” box on site and within the limit of the project and the replacement trees focus on native species, passed.

Vote: 5/0.

SETBACK TREES

1. 3626 San Remo Dr. – *Sequoia sempervirens*, Coast Redwood – Robert F. Adams, ASLA Landscape Architect

The Committee voted to approve removal on the condition the applicant replace with a replacement tree as proposed, plus two additional street trees in the nearby parkway frontage. The Committee commented that the parkway could be adjusted to allow for a third street tree.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member Treman to approve removal on the condition the applicant replace with a replacement tree as proposed, plus two additional street trees in the nearby parkway frontage or three street trees if there is space to create a parkway fronting the property, passed.

Vote: 5/0.

2. 379 Canon Dr. – *Pinus pinea*, Italian Stone Pine – Peterson’s Tree Care Inc.

The Committee voted to approve removal on the condition the applicant plant a replacement tree with the potential to reach a minimum height of 25 feet in stature.

Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member Reed to approve removal on the condition the applicant plant a replacement tree with the potential to reach a minimum height of 25 feet in stature, passed.

Majority vote: 4/1 (Nay: Member O’Neill).

8. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN

1. 900 Indio Muerto St. – Designation of one or two species

The Committee voted to postpone until STAC receives elevation information of the building to be built.

Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member O'Neill to postpone a co-designation until STAC receives elevation information of the building to be built, passed.

Vote: 4/0/1(Abstain: Member Cunningham).

9. OLD BUSINESS
None

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

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