



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, April 5, 2018
Parks Lunch Room
402 E. Ortega Street
8:30 AM**

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:31 AM
2. ROLL CALL
Members present: Bob Cunningham, Duke McPherson, Bruce Reed, and Des O'Neill
Members absent: Maury Treman
Parks and Recreation staff present: Tim Downey, Rich Hanna, Santos Escobar, Nathan Slack, and Patty Herrera
Parks and Recreation Liaison: Nichol Clark
Members of the public: Leland Walmsley, Bridget Walker, Suzanne Elledge, Mike Drammatt, and Puck Erickson
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Regular Meeting Minutes, March 1, 2018

Motion: Member O'Neill moved, seconded by Member Cunningham to approve the March 1, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes, passed.

Vote: 4/0

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
 1. 2015 Santa Barbara St. is actually a Setback Tree and not a Street Tree.
 2. Take 1506 Shoreline Dr. first and then Waterfront Hotel Project.
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION
 - A. Mr. Downey advised STAC of P&R Commission actions in March. Commission concurred with STAC on all items, with conditions added to 1202 Diana Road, if feasible to plant another tree.
 - B. Mr. Downey gave an enforcement update.
7. NEW BUSINESS
 - STREET TREES**
 1. 1601 State St. – (2) *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm – Robert Richards Landscape Architect

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve relocation of both trees to nearby locations to be determined by staff.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member McPherson to approve the relocation of both trees to nearby locations to be determined by staff, passed.

Vote: 3/1. Member O'Neill opposed. Member O'Neill opposed because of spacing of existing trees.

2. Chase Palm Park, Waterfront Hotel – (54) various trees – Suzanne Elledge, for American Tradition LLC

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removals and replacements as proposed. The Committee commented that more work needs to be done with staff outside of the zone and with species selection.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member O'Neill to approve the removals and replacements as proposed, passed.

Vote: 3/0/1. Member Cunningham abstained.

SETBACK TREES

3. 2015 Santa Barbara St. – (5) *Tipuana tipu*, Tipu – Kenneth Boxer

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removal of 3 of the 5 Tipu Trees, retaining one tree on each side of the entrance walkway. The Committee commented that they would be alternatively supported of the applicant removing all 5 trees and replacing with 2 trees at least 30 feet in height.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve removal of 3 of the 5 Tipu Trees, retaining one tree on each side of the entrance walkway, passed.

Vote: 4/0

4. 1506 Shoreline Dr. – (2) *Schinus terebinthifolius*, Brazilian Pepper, (1) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – Leland Walmsley, ASLA Evergreen Architects, Inc.

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removal of the Brazilian Pepper Tree farthest east and deny removal of the western Brazilian Pepper Tree (tree in the middle) and the Mexican Fan Palm adjacent to the driveway.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve removal of the Brazilian Pepper Tree farthest east and deny removal of the western Brazilian Pepper Tree (tree in the middle) and the Mexican Fan Palm adjacent to the driveway, passed.

Vote: 4/0

STREET TREE MASTER PLAN

1. 1300 block of State St. – designate species – Staff

The Committee recommends that the Commission designate *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm as designated street tree for the 1300 block of State St.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm as designated street tree for the 1300 block of State St., passed.

Vote: 4/0.

2. 3400-3700 Modoc Rd. – consider additional species – Bob Cunningham

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the addition of *Aesculus californica*, California Buckeye, *Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius*, Ironwood, and *Pistacia chinensis*, Chinese Pistache as co-designation Street trees for the 3400-3700 blocks of Modoc Rd. Staff to work with contractor regarding the location.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member Reed to recommend that the Commission approve the addition of *Aesculus californica*, California Buckeye, *Lyonothamnus floribundus asplenifolius*, Ironwood, and *Pistacia chinensis*, Chinese Pistache as co-designation street trees for the 3400-3700 blocks of Modoc Rd., passed.

Vote: 4/0.

3. 100 block of Calle Cesar Chavez – consider change – Suzanne Elledge on behalf of American Tradition LLC

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve *Brahea armata*, Mexican Blue Palm, in the median and *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree, in the parkway as co-designated species for the 100 block of Calle Cesar Chavez.

Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve *Brahea armata*, Mexican Blue Palm, in the median and *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree, in the parkway as co-designated species for the 100 block of Calle Cesar Chavez, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

8. OLD BUSINESS
None

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

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