



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday, February 7, 2019

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

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:30 AM
2. ROLL CALL
Members present: Tony DeMola, Duke McPherson, Des O'Neill, and Bruce Reed (arrived at 8:40 AM)
Member absent: Bob Cunningham
Parks and Recreation staff present: Tim Downey and Matthew Parker
Parks and Recreation Liaison: Nichol Clark
Members of the public: Randy Pohtl, Mr. and Mrs. Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Dassler, Bill Ferguson, Donald Lafler, Kate Lee, Brett Gewirtzman, Geoffrey Ravenhill, Lauren Ravenhill, Don Kolstad, Clay Reyholds, and Eric Behr

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Regular Meeting Minutes, January 3, 2019

Motion: Member McPherson moved, seconded by Member DeMola approve the January 3, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes, passed.

Vote: 3/0.

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
None
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION
A. Mr. Downey advised STAC of Parks and Recreation Commission actions.
B. Mr. Downey gave an enforcement update.
C. Mr. Downey gave an update on a joint STAC and Commission work session likely 4-5 PM in May
7. NEW BUSINESS
A. Chair/Vice Chair Nominations: Bob Cunningham Chair and Bruce Reed Vice Chair **Vote: 3/0.**

STREET TREES

1. 1124 Castillo St. – *Quercus agrifolia*, Coast Live Oak – Eric Behr

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee determined the tree is healthy, has a long potential life span, the project can be modified, tree adds to wildlife, and canopy is needed.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

SETBACK TREES

1. 3069 Calle Fresno – *Schinus terebinthifolius*, Brazilian Pepper – Ken and Janis Blaise

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal.

Motion: Member O’Neill moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve the removal, passed.

Vote: 3/1. Member Reed was against because he thinks the tree should be conditioned on a replacement.

2. 231 Loyola Dr. – *Morus alba*, Mulberry Tree – Myla and Danny Kato

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a replacement tree appropriate for the location close to the house in the front yard.

Motion: Member O’Neill moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a replacement tree appropriate for the location close to the house in the front yard, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

3. 3040 Samarkand Dr. – *Ceratonia siliqua*, Carob – Donald Lafler

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a maximum height of 25 feet.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a maximum height of 25 feet, passed.

Vote: 3/0. Member DeMola recused himself.

8. OLD BUSINESS

SETBACK TREES

4. 17 S. Milpas St. – (1) *Ficus microcarpa*, Indian Laurel Fig and (1) *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree – Martha Degasis, Arcadia Studio, Inc.

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve both removals on the condition Architectural Board of Review approves the rest of their project.

Motion: Member O’Neill moved, seconded by Member DeMola that the Commission approve both removals on the condition Architectural Board of Review approves the rest of their project, passed.

Vote: 3/0. Member DeMola abstained.

5. 211 Oliver Rd. – (2) *Hesperocyparis macrocarpa*, Monterey Cypress – David and Gay Dassler

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a minimum height of 25 feet.

Motion: Member O’Neill moved, seconded by Member McPherson that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a minimum height of 25 feet, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

9. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
 1. 2000 block of Grand Ave. – species designation – STAC

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve *Chilopsis linearis*, Desert Willow as designated species for the 2000 block of Grand Ave.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve *Chilopsis linearis*, Desert Willow as designated species for the 2000 block of Grand Ave., passed.

Vote: 4/0.

2. 900 block of Carpinteria St. – consider Queen Palm as co-designation - STAC

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm as co-designated species for the 900 block of Carpinteria St.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member O’Neill to recommend that the Commission approve *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm as co-designated species for the 900 block of Carpinteria St., passed.

Vote: 4/0.

10. OLD BUSINESS
None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

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