



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, May 7, 2020  
This Meeting Was Conducted Electronically  
8:30 AM**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:34 AM
2. ROLL CALL  
Members present: Tony DeMola, Bob Cunningham, Duke McPherson, Maury Treman, and Bruce Reed  
Parks and Recreation staff present: Matthew Parker, Nathan Slack, and Patricia Herrera  
Public Works Engineering staff present: Eric Goodall  
Parks and Recreation Liaison: Nichol Clark  
Members of the public: Alicia James, Gowdy Mission, Jacob Niksto, Kristen Weidemann, Ryan Gripp, and Cameron Clark

3. PUBLIC COMMENT  
None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
A. Regular Meeting Minutes, March 5, 2020

**Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member Treman to approve the March 5, 2020, Regular Meeting Minutes, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0. Member Cunningham abstained.**

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION  
A. Mr. Slack advised STAC of Parks and Recreation Commission actions.  
B. Mr. Slack gave an enforcement update.
7. NEW BUSINESS

**STREET TREES**

1. 200 block of State St. – (3) *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda, and (3) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – Eric Goodall, City of Santa Barbara Public Works Engineering

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removal of the six trees on the condition the applicant plant six replacement trees in accordance with the approved landscape plan for the 200 block of State Street.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve removal of the six trees on the condition the**

**applicant plant six replacement trees in accordance with the approved landscape plan for the 200 block of State Street, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0/1. Member Cunningham recused himself.**

2. 1020 Chapala St. – *Platanus x hispanica*, London Plane Tree – LMA Architects on behalf of Gowdy Mission

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal of the tree on the condition the applicant work with the City Arborist to find a location for a replacement street tree within the vicinity of the project.

**Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve the removal of the tree on the condition the applicant work with the City Arborist to find a location for a replacement street tree within the vicinity of the project, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0/1. Member Cunningham recused himself.**

3. 301 Mohawk Rd. – *Metrosideros excelsa*, New Zealand Christmas Tree – Jacob Niksto, Becker Henson Niksto Architects

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal of the tree on the condition the applicant reduce the number of proposed *Acacia* trees and make room in the planting plan for a New Zealand Christmas Tree street tree to be planted in the parkway along Mohawk Rd.

**Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member Cunningham to recommend that the Commission approve the removal of the tree on the condition the applicant reduce the number of proposed *Acacia* trees and make room in the planting plan for a New Zealand Christmas Tree street tree to be planted in the parkway along Mohawk Rd., passed.**

**Vote: 5/0.**

4. 1721 Gillespie St. – *Brachychiton discolor*, Queensland Lacebark – Cameron Clark

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member Treman to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 5/0.**

5. 1618 Grand Ave. – (5) *Stenocarpus sinuatus*, Fire Wheel Tree – Brian J. Dempsey

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member Cunningham to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0/1. Member DeMola recused himself.**

6. 2526 Oak Crest Dr. – *Eucalyptus polyanthemos*, Silver Dollar Gum – Alicia J. James

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member Treman moved, seconded by Member Cunningham to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/1. Member Reed opposed.**

7. 700-800 blocks of Chapala St. – (7) *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*, King Palm and (1) *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda – Paseo Nuevo Owner, LLC

The Committee moved to continue item to next month to allow applicant to consult with landscape architect to modify the project to include more shade trees on the Chapala Street side.

**Motion: Member Cunningham moved, seconded by Member DeMola to continue item to next month to allow the applicant to consult with architect to modify the project to include more shade trees on the Chapala Street side, passed.**

**Vote: 5/0.**

SETBACK TREES

None

8. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
9. OLD BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nathan Slack, Urban Forest Superintendent

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