



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

**Street Tree Advisory Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, November 4, 2021
This Meeting Was Conducted Electronically
8:30 AM**

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:33 AM
2. ROLL CALL
Members present: Bruce Reed, Duke McPherson, Tony DeMola, and Santos Escobar
Members absent: Maury Treman
Parks and Recreation staff present: Jazmin LeBlanc, Brett Volpi, Nathan Slack and Patricia Herrera
Parks and Recreation liaison: Nichol Clark
Members of the public: Bob Cunningham, Bruce Giffin, David Black, Dean Noble, Nicole Horn, Paul Leonardi, Heidi Jones, and Clara Hembree
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Regular Meeting Minutes, October 7, 2021

Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member Escobar to approve the October 7, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
Take Elings first then Mason and Canon Dr. after that go in order.
6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION
A. Mr. Slack advised STAC of Parks and Recreation Commission actions.
7. NEW BUSINESS

STREET TREES

1. Elings Park 1298 Las Positas Rd. – (39) *Schinus molle*, Pepper Tree, (1) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm, and (1) *Chamaerops humilis*, Mediterranean Fan Palm – Bob Cunningham

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission approve the removals as proposed.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member DeMola to recommend that the Commission approve the removals as proposed, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

2. 121 E. Mason St. – (22) various trees – Nicole Horn

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission approve the removal of the (21) street trees and (1) setback Lemon Bottlebrush tree as proposed, on the condition the applicant relocate the remaining (2) Fan Palms that do not have a proposed location to the public right of way on Mason St. across from the project.

Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member Escobar to recommend that the Commission approve the removal of the (21) street trees and (1) setback Lemon Bottlebrush tree as proposed, on the condition the applicant relocate the remaining (2) Fan Palms that do not have a proposed location to the public right of way on Mason St. across from the project, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

3. 726 State / 725 De La Guerra – *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – John Chaffee

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission deny the removal without prejudice and allow the applicant time to come back with proof of damage to the structure.

Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission deny the removal without prejudice and allow the applicant time to come back with proof of damage to the structure, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

4. 1308 San Rafael Ave. – *Eucalyptus polyanthemos*, Silver Dollar Gum – Michael Purdy

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission deny the removal.

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

Vote: 4/0.

SETBACK TREES

1. 405 Canon Dr. – *Pinus canariensis*, Canary Island Pine – Paul Leonardi

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission deny the removal without prejudice to allow applicant to provide evidence of intrusion on the structure.

Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member DeMola to recommend that the Commission deny the removal without prejudice to allow applicant to provide evidence of intrusion on the structure, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

2. 419 N. Soledad St. – *Acacia melanoxylon*, Black Acacia – Jan Lofvander

The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a mature height of minimum 25-30 feet in height.

Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member Escobar to recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a mature height of minimum 25-30 feet in height, passed.

Vote: 4/0.

3. 1204 Chino St. – *Syagrus romanzoffiana*, Queen Palm – Jyl Aker

The Committee recommends (3/0/1) that the Commission deny the removal.

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

Vote: 3/0/1. Member Reed abstained due to technical difficulties.

8. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
9. OLD BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Nathan Slack, Urban Forest Superintendent

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