



Public Tree Advisory Commission

Agenda

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

5:30 P.M.

City Hall, Council Chambers

130 Cremona Dr.

Goleta, CA

Members of the Public Tree Advisory Commission

Ken Knight, Vice Chair

Jessica Altstatt, Commissioner

Christine Hall, Commissioner

Karl Rider, Commissioner

Hugh Michaels, Commissioner

*Luz "Nina" Buelna, Public Works
Director*

*Autumn Glaeser, Assistant
Public Works Director*

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CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**ROLL CALL OF THE PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION****PUBLIC FORUM**

At this time the public shall have an opportunity to comment on any non-agenda item relevant to the jurisdiction of the City. Reasonable time limits are imposed on each topic and each speaker. In accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (GC § 54950 et seq.), no action or discussion may take place on any item not on the posted agenda. The Board or Commission may respond to statements made or questions asked, and may direct the staff to report back on the topic at a future meeting.

AMENDMENTS OR ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

A. CONSENT CALENDAR**A.1 [25-428](#) Parks and Open Space Division Report**

Recommendation: Receive and file a report regarding recent activities and initiatives in the Parks and Open Space Division.

Staff: Luz “Nina” Buelna, Public Works Director
George Thomson, Parks and Open Space Manager

A.2 [25-429](#) Street Maintenance Division Report

Recommendation: Receive and file a report regarding street tree maintenance activities during January through September 2025.

Staff: Luz “Nina” Buelna, Public Works Director
Paul Medel, Public Works Manager

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM**B.1 [25-432](#) Selection of the Chair and Vice Chair**

Recommendation: Select the Chair and Vice Chair from among the members of the Public Tree Advisory Commission.

Staff: Luz “Nina” Buelna, Director of Public Works
George Thomson, Parks and Open Space Manager

B.2 [25-427](#) Heritage Tree Nominations

Recommendation: Review and recommend to the contract City Arborist that the following trees be further investigated for Heritage Tree designation:

1. Australian willow (*Geijera parviflora*) at the Goleta Community Center (5679 Hollister Ave)
2. Spanish fir (*Abies pinsapo*) at the Rancho La Patera & Stow House (304 N. Los Carneros Road)
3. Brush cherry (*Syzygium australe*) at the Rancho La Patera & Stow House (304 N. Los Carneros Rd)
4. Moreton Bay chestnut (*Castanospermum australe*) at the Rancho La Patera & Stow House (304 N. Los Carneros Rd)
5. Western sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*) at San Jose Creek at Jonny D. Wallis Park (170 S. Kellogg Ave.)

Staff: Luz “Nina” Buelna, Public Works Director
George Thomson, Parks and Open Space Manager

Estimated Time: 30 minutes

B.3 [25-431](#) Selection of Meeting Dates for 2026

Recommendation: Approve Public Tree Advisory Commission meeting dates for 2026.

Staff: George Thomson, Parks and Open Space Manager

C. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

D. ADJOURNMENT