



**PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2018**

5:30 P.M.
City Hall
130 Cremona Drive, Suite B
Goleta, California

***Members of the Public Tree Advisory
Commission***

Phebe Mansur, Vice Chair
Karen Lovelace, Commissioner
Jessica Altstatt, Commissioner
Lynn Kirby, Commissioner
Alfred Smith, Commissioner

Bob Morgenstern, Public Works Manager
Carmen Nichols, Deputy City Manager
Winnie Cai, Deputy City Attorney
Deborah Lopez, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Mansur called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION

PRESENT: Chair Mansur, Vice-Chair Lovelace, Commissioners Altstatt, and Kirby,
ABSENT: Commissioner Smith

PUBLIC FORUM

Richard Foster expressed confusion pertaining to an annual report which he was told would not be available, however noted the Urban Forest Management Plan (UFMP) approved by the City Council said an annual report was ordered and is required. Mr Foster raised concerns on item B.3 which contains a proposed re-draft of the

UFMP with an action plan being introduced. Mr. Foster noted the UFMP is only to be reviewed every ten years and wondered why the City had the consulting arborist review the UFMP. Mr. Foster concluded by saying the Public Tree Advisory Commission addresses the entire urban forest, not just street trees.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

A.1 Approval of the Public Tree Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2018

Approve the Public Tree Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2018.

By consensus, the Public Tree Advisory Commission will bring back the minutes of March 8, 2018, for approval at the next meeting.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

B.1 Draft Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve Open Space Monarch Butterfly Habitat Management Plan and 2018 Implementation Plan.

Receive a presentation regarding the Draft Ellwood Mesa/Sperling Preserve Open Space Monarch Butterfly Habitat Management Plan and the associated 2018 Implementation Plan.

Staff Speakers:

Anne Wells, Advanced Planning Manager, provided a presentation to the Public Tree Advisory Commission titled "Ellwood Mesa Habitat," dated August 22, 2018, (presentation on file).

The Public Tree Advisory Commission received the report.

B.2 Annual Street Tree Maintenance Program

Receive Information on Annual Street Tree Maintenance Program and provide input for the development of the annual street tree maintenance program.

Staff Speaker:

Bob Morgenstern, Public Works Manager

The Public Tree Advisory Commission received the report.

B.3 Proposals of Urban Forest Management Plan by Commissioner Smith

Provide a report to the Public Tree Advisory Commission based on the review of the Urban Forest Management Plan by Commissioners Smith and Altstatt and City Staff.

Public Speaker:

Ron Bruns pointed out that the definition of an urban forest is all trees that grow within an urban area, this doesn't mean municipalities have total control of every tree that grows in a forest. Mr. Bruns commented that the Public Tree Advisory Commissions job is to manage trees on city owned property, not to manage trees on private property.

MOTION: Vice-Chair Lovelace/Commissioner Kirby for the Public Tree Advisory Commission to acknowledge to receipt of attachment 1 entitled Commission Smith and Altstatt proposal to the PTAC, to take no action, and table any discussion indefinitely.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following voice vote: Ayes: Chair Mansur, Vice- Chair Lovelace, Commissioner Kirby. Noes: Commissioner Altstatt. Absent: Commissioner Smith.

C. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carmen Nichols, Deputy City Manager, introduced Charlie Ebeling, Public Works Director to the Public Tree Advisory Commission.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Carmen Nichols, Deputy City Manager, reported the next Public Tree Advisory meeting will be held on September 10, 2018, staff will bring back the revised March 8, 2018, Public Tree Advisory Commission meeting minutes for approval; a discussion of Section 4.12 of the Urban Forest Management Plan which Ms. Nichols reported receiving Commission and public input on; and a discussion on public outreach. Ms. Nichols noted staff would bring the Street Tree Planting List to a future Public Tree Advisory Commission meeting.

Chair Mansur and Commissioner Kirby requested penalties for removing trees be returned to the Commission for discussion.

E. ADJOURNMENT AT 7:56 P.M.