



## Minutes - Draft

### Parks and Recreation Commission and Urban Forestry Board

*Commissioners Lee, Mendez, Mitchner, Vice Chair Herbach and Chair Devine*

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Wednesday, February 13, 2019

7:00 PM

Senior Center - 266 Escuela Avenue

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Devine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

**Present** 4 - Chair Russell Devine, Commissioner Kevin Lee, Commissioner Erika Mendez, and Commissioner Joe Mitchner

**Absent** 1 - Vice Chair Jonathan Herbach

#### 3. MINUTES APPROVAL

##### 3.1

##### Approval of Minutes

M/S - Mitchner/Lee - That Parks and Recreation Commission approve the January 9, 2019 minutes.

**Yes:** 4 - Chair Devine, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Mendez, and Commissioner Mitchner

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Herbach

#### 4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

#### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

##### 6.1

##### Community Pipeline Safety Initiative Tree Mitigation

Chair Devine announced that Item 6.1 has been postponed.

**6.2 Heritage Tree Appeal - 1668 Begon Avenue**

Forestry & Roadway Manager Trconic presented an oral report and answered the Commission's questions.

Speaking from the floor expressing concerns and/or supporting:

- Ona Trembois
- Tom Trembois
- Christine Crosby

M/S Lee/Mendez - To approve staff's recommendation to deny the appeal and allow the Magnolia grandiflora, Southern magnolia, to be removed, subject to ongoing dialogue to find replacement trees for that particular tree.

**Yes:** 4 - Chair Devine, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Mendez, and Commissioner Mitchner

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Herbach

**6.3 Heritage Tree Appeal - 1187 High School Way**

Forestry & Roadway Manager Trconic presented an oral report and answered the Commission's questions.

Speaking from the floor expressing concerns and/or supporting:

- Andrew Martin
- Christine Crosby
- Lou Dietz
- Peter Baltay

M/S Lee/Devine - To uphold the appeal and not allow for the tree removal until a time has shown where there is a safety issue and there has been a material change to the property.

**Yes:** 3 - Chair Devine, Commissioner Lee, and Commissioner Mendez

**No:** 1 - Commissioner Mitchner

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Herbach

**7. COMMISSION/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Services Director de la Montaigne updated the Commission on the following:

- Community Center
- Future PRC items
- Arbor Day

Community Services Director de la Montaigne answered the Commission's questions regarding the Heritage Tree removal and appeal process.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Devine adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.