



City of Mountain View

Senior Center
266 Escuela Avenue

Minutes - Draft

Parks and Recreation Commission and Urban Forestry Board

Commissioners Cornes, Naegele, Vice Chair Hepfer, Chair Herbach

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

7:00 PM

Senior Center - 266 Escuela Avenue

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Herbach called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 4 - Commissioner Thida Cornes, Commissioner Katherine Naegele, Vice Chair Paul Hepfer, and Chairperson Jonathan Herbach

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion - M/S Cornes/Naegele - To approve the November 9, 2016 minutes.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Cornes, Commissioner Naegele, Vice Chair Hepfer, and Chairperson Herbach

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Speaking from the floor advocating protecting the Shoreline wildlife

SHANI KLEINHAUS
JILL MALLARN
JOANNE LEWIS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Community Center Design, Project 15-43-Amended Heritage Tree Removal Mitigation

Senior Project Manager David Printy presented the amended Heritage tree removal mitigation project of the Community Center Design and requested the Commission approve staff-recommended mitigation for removal of 16 Heritage trees with 2 to 1 tree replacements.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR IN FAVOR OF BIRD SAFE DESIGN FOR COMMUNITY CENTER WINDOWS, REPLACEMENT OF NATIVE TREES, EDUCATE PEOPLE TO SEE NATURE EVERYWHERE IN THE CITY.

SHANI KLEINHAUS
MARGARET HINEBAUGH
JOANNE LEWIS
KEITH WANDRY

Motion - M/S Cornes/Naegele - To forward a recommendation to the City Council to approve staff-recommended mitigation for removal of 16 Heritage trees with 2-to-1 tree replacemnets and planting 24" box native and/or well adopted species.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Cornes, Commissioner Naegele, Vice Chair Hepfer, and Chairperson Herbach

6.2 Permanente Creek Trail Extension Feasibility Study, Project 16-36

Commissioner Herbach announced his conflict related to this item as he resides within 500 feet of the project area and recuse himself from participating in this item and left the dais.

Associate Engineer Joy Houghton presented the Permanente Creek Trail extension feasibility study report and she and Assistant Public Works Director/City Engineer Jacqueline Solomon answered Commission's questions.

Commission made two motions as follows:

Motion 1 - M/S Cornes/Naegele - To request staff study creative ways to obtain trails on Segment 1, West Middlefield Road to Central Expressway, where there are possible sections. In addition, request staff to work with private property owners and non-profit organizations to bring wildlife to the areas of Segments 2, 3, and 4. Also request staff look into alternatives such as Class 1 bike and pedestrian access on Segments 2, 3, and 4 where feasible.

Motion 2 - M/S Cornes/Naegele - To request staff to continue looking in to feasibility of overcrossing on Central Expressway.

Motions carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cornes, Commissioner Naegele, and Vice Chair Hepfer

Recused: 1 - Chairperson Herbach

7. OUTGOING COMMISSIONER THIDA CORNES

Commissioner Herbach returned to the dais for the rest of the meeting

Commissioner Cornes briefly touched on most of the large projects that she contributed to within the past eight years and mentioned that she learned a lot about many things. She expressed her special appreciation to staff who work hard to provide all programs and services for the community benefits.

8. COMMISSION/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Services Director provided an update of the following events:

- Tree Lighting Event
- Heritage Park Opening Event
- Breakfast with Santa Event
- German Market
- Council Approval of Ordinance Amending the Chapter 38 Regulating the use of City Trails and Updating the Financial Assistance Program

Commissioner Herbach requested Commissioner Hepfer to attend upcoming Mayor's Quarterly Meeting. Commissioner Herbach also requested staff to provide an updated list of projects.

Commissioner Naegele commented on Immigrant House furniture.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:19 p.m., the Chair adjourned the meeting to the next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting to be held on January 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center, 266 Escuela Avenue.