



City of Mountain View

Minutes - Draft

Parks and Recreation Commission and Urban Forestry Board

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

6:00 PM

Maple Room and Video Conference, 201 South
Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94040

SPECIAL MEETING

This meeting is being conducted with a virtual component. Anyone wishing to address the Commission virtually may join the meeting online at: <https://mountainview.zoom.us/j/85027481875> or by dialing (669) 900-9128 and entering Webinar ID: 850 2748 1875. When the Chair announces the item on which you wish to speak, click the “raise hand” feature in Zoom or dial *9 on your phone. When the Chair calls your name to provide public comment, if you are participating via phone, please press *6 to unmute yourself.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Commissioner Ronit Bryant, Commissioner Steve Filios, Commissioner Sandy Sommer, Vice Chair Joe Mitchner, and Chair Jonathan Davis

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes Approval

M/S Mitchner/Bryant - To approve the October 8, 2025 minutes.

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Filios, Commissioner Sommer, Vice Chair Mitchner, and Chair Davis

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Heritage Tree Removal Application Appeal-151 Calderon Avenue

Urban Forest Manager Russell Hansen and Assistant City Attorney presented a report and answered the Commission's questions. City Attorney Jennifer Logue answered the Commission's questions.

Speaking from the floor and/or virtually:

- Rebecca Grekin
- Cole Sohn
- Helen Sakharova
- Rita Tlemcani
- Wendy Howard Benham
- Diana Garibay
- Nancy Stuhr
- Bruce England
- Howard Higley
- Andrea Wald
- Jonathan Crohn
- Katie Frieberg
- Rashmi

M/S Filios/Sommer - To approve the resolution with the following amendments:

- Remove "and the Heritage Trees may be removed pursuant to the Heritage Tree Removal Permit" from paragraph five
- Add "issuance of a Heritage Tree removal permit is required in order to comply with" from paragraph six
- Remove "removal of the Heritage Tree is consistent with" and "and meets the criteria for removal under Mountain View City Code Section 32.35 (a)(2)" from paragraph six

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Filios, Commissioner Sommer, Vice Chair Mitchner, and Chair Davis

5.2 2026 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule

Community Services Director John Marchant presented a report and answered the Commission's questions.

M/S Filios/Bryant - To approve the proposed 2026 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting schedule with the following amendment:

- update the November meeting date to November 4, 2026.

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Filios, Commissioner Sommer, Vice Chair Mitchner, and Chair Davis

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

Community Services Director Marchant provided an update on Monster Bash.

Chair Davis announced the PRC has a vacant seat.

Commissioner Bryant asked a question regarding replacing the dead trees on Castro across from the train station with an Oak or something with a large canopy.