



City of Mountain View

Minutes - Draft

Parks and Recreation Commission and Urban Forestry Board

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

6:00 PM

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

This meeting was conducted with a virtual component.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mitchner called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes Approval

M/S Sylvester/Bryant - To approve the February 11, 2026 minutes.

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Sylvester, and Chair Mitchner

Abstain: 1 - Vice Chair Sommer

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Speaking from the floor:

Regarding foxtails at the Cuesta Annex:

-Bob Rich

Regarding burrowing owls at Shoreline and landscaping at the Cuesta Annex:

-Shani Kleinhaus

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan - Updated Draft Review and Recommendation

Assistant Community Services Director Kristine Crosby presented a report and answered the Commission's questions.

Speaking from the floor and/or virtually:

- Bill Lambert
- Sheila Lederman
- Silja Paymer
- Shani Kleinhaus
- Albert Jeans
- Bruce England
- Lada Adamic
- Robert Cox
- Cliff Chambers
- Mary Dateo
- Rashmi
- Jessica Chohan
- Hala Alshahwany
- Henry
- April Webster
- Andrea
- Jim Zaorski (representing Zoe Zaorski, Kellen Bromelsiek, Marie Bechtel, Anita Stewart, Kaj Rekola)

M/S Bryant/Sommer - To forward a recommendation to the City Council to adopt the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan, incorporating into the Plan ways to prioritize expansion of parks and open space to underserved areas of the city, taking into account dependence on school fields and 10-minute walking distance in addition to looking at acres per thousand. Identify opportunities and implement near-term improvements to benefit all parks and open space with an emphasis on planting native canopy trees and landscaping consistent with the Biodiversity and Urban Forest Plan.

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

5.2 Public Safety Building, Project 20-49

Senior Project Manager Naveen Govind provided a presentation and answered the Commission's questions. Principal Project Manager David Printy and Assistant Public Works Director Arango answered the Commission's questions.

Speaking from the floor and/or virtually:

- Bruce England
- Mary Dateo
- Rashmi
- April Webster

M/S Bryant/Sylvester - To direct staff to come back to the PRC with a revised mitigation plan focusing on canopy replacement with a preponderance of native trees at a 2:1 replacement for Heritage Trees and a 1:1 for non-Heritage trees. Explore placement of mitigation trees within the neighborhood and immediate area if on-site space is not available for all mitigation trees.

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Sylvester, Vice Chair Sommer, and Chair Mitchner

No: 1 - Commissioner Davis

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

Assistant Community Services Director Kristine Crosby updated the Commission on the following:

- Recreation registration numbers
- Upcoming Recreation special events

Assistant Community Services Director Brenda Sylvia updated the Commission on the following:

- Mural painting started on Rengstorff maintenance building
- Future PRC meeting items

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mitchner adjourned the meeting at 11:29 p.m.