

Design Review Board Street Tree Subcommittee Minutes - Approved

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MINUTES - APPROVED

STREET TREE SUBCOMMITTEE

January 26, 2010 2:00 p.m. Goleta City Hall 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B Goleta, California

Members:

Chris Messner, Chair Simon Herrera **Bob Wignot**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Messner at 2:13 p.m., at the City Hall, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Chris Messner, Chair; and Bob Wignot.

Members absent: Simon Herrera.

Staff present: Bill Millar, Parks and Open Space Manager (City Arborist); and Linda Gregory, Recording Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Street Tree Subcommittee Meeting Minutes for December 8, 2009.

MOTION: Wignot moved, seconded by Messner, and carried by a 2 to 0 vote (Absent: Herrera), to approve the Street Tree Subcommittee meeting minutes for December 8, 2009, as amended.

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NEW ITEMS:

A. Discussion Regarding Penalties for Shoddy Contract Work.

Chair Messner stated that he requested a discussion regarding Penalties for Shoddy Contract Work because he saw an article in The Daily Sound on October 14, 2009, regarding a process approved by the City of Santa Barbara to prevent irresponsible contractors from bidding on future projects. He noted that the City has modeled some programs after City of Santa Barbara programs.

Bill Millar, City Arborist, stated that he has noticed some situations where certain bidders have been pre-qualified. He noted that when a contract is not performed according to specifications, he has seen methods to address the situation, for example, by withholding payment to the contractor.

CONTINUED ITEMS:

A. Discussion regarding the "Diversity of California's Urban Forests" list, and the process for adding more tree species to the Recommended Street Tree List (continued from December 8, 2009).

Bill Millar, City Arborist, stated that currently the Urban Forestry Management Plan process has circumvented work on the preparation of a spreadsheet document compiling the list of tree from the "Diversity of California's Urban Forests" for the purpose of reviewing these species.

OLD ITEMS:

A. None.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. Urban Forestry Management Plan.

Bill Millar, City Arborist, reported that another meeting will be held on January 27, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, for interested residents and others to comment on the development of an Urban Forest Management Plan. He stated that members of the Street Tree Subcommittee and members of the public are invited to attend the meeting. He noted that the information from Street Tree Subcommittee Recommended Outline Revised 2/11/2009, and the recommended changes on December 8, 2009, will be part of the consideration regarding the guiding principles.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Bill Millar, City Arborist, stated that he will provide an update on the Urban Forestry Management Plan at the next Subcommittee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 2:23 P.M.

Minutes approved on February 23, 2010.