



City of Buena Park

MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
APRIL 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met in a regular session on April 28, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brown, Lollis, McKinney, Qureshi, Rollins, Wiese
EXCUSED: Lopez
ABSENT:

Also present: Gerry Lopez, Field Operations Manager and Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair McKinney

CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2016
****M/S/P Brown/Lollis** – Motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 24, 2016.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

NEW BUSINESS: (1)

1. Neighborhood Improvement Project – (Lopez)

Gerry Lopez reported that last year, the Beautification-Environmental Commission neighborhood improvement project (NIP) was scheduled in conjunction with the Engineering department overlay slurry projects. Lopez is proposing the Commission schedule the NIP event date in the month of July. Projects will include painting of red curbs, fire hydrants and curb numbers. Due to the on-going drought this year, tree planting will not be included in the NIP. Lopez will announce the NIP event date at the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (1-2)

1. Mission Statement Approval – Discussion and Direction

The Commission reviewed the Beautification-Environmental Commission Mission Statement: *Our mission is to beautify our City, promote environmental practices and educate our citizens as to our goals. We want to encourage drought tolerant landscaping, anti-littering practices and encourage recycling whenever possible. Our goal is to make our City both beautiful and clean, a wonderful place to live for all its citizens. The environment is important to us and we want it to be important to all Buena Park Residents.*

The Commission agreed to adopt the Beautification-Environmental Commission Mission Statement as presented. The mission statement will be posted on the City's website.

****M/S/P McKinney/Brown** – Motion to approve and adopt the Beautification-Environmental Commission Mission Statement.

2. Love Buena Park – Discussion and Direction

Gerry Lopez reported Love Buena Park Day is Saturday, April 30, 2016. The Commission reviewed the Love Buena Park Day list of projects. Lopez encouraged Commissioners to volunteer and sign up for a project via the website: lovebuenapark.com. The city wide serve day event rally will begin at 8 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / STAFF REPORTS:

Gerry Lopez reported on the tree planting held on April 23 at Bellis Park in honor of National Arbor Day and Earth Day. The Arbor Day Proclamation presented by City Council was accepted at the April 28th council meeting. Lopez thanked Commissioners for their participation.

Chair McKinney introduced David Jacobs, Interim Director of Public Works. Jacobs reported the City is seeking to fill the position of Director of Public Works; he stated until then, he looks forward to working with the Commission. Jacobs reported the City and Buena Park School District shared the cost to replace the block wall that divides Bellis Park and Gilbert School with new chain link fencing. The new fence is an improvement to the back field area of the park/school.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS / COMMISSION COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on May 26, 2016.



Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary



Beautification-Environment Commission Chairman