



City of Buena Park

MINUTES BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION October 26, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met in a regular session on October 26, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

ROLL CALL

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Sonne.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2017

****M/S/P McKinney/Rollins** – *Approved the meeting minutes of September 28, 2017.*

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OLD BUSINESS: (1)

1. Silverado Days BEC Booth Review

The Commission hosted an information booth at Silverado Days on Saturday, October 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Commissioners took turns greeting guests and operating the prize spin wheel. Give-a-ways included BE Commission re-usable tote bags and candy, 2" succulent plants donated by RV Nursery, milkweed plants donated by Commissioner Lopez, and milkweed seeds and gifts donated by Rebecca Kovacs. The new Butterfly Pavilion lent two glass cases of butterflies for display. The booth received many visitors and was very successful; the BE Commission thanked Rebecca Kovacs for donating event give-a-ways and booth decorations.

NEW BUSINESS: (1-7)

1. November Commission Meeting (Nov. 23 – motion to adjourn)

The BE Commission agreed to adjourn the November meeting to allow for the tree trimming at City Hall on November 16, 2017.

****M/S/P McKinney/Rollins** – *Motion to adjourn the BE Commission meeting on November 23, 2017.*

2. BEC Christmas Tree Trimming at City Hall – Thursday, November 16 at 6 p.m.

Field Operations Manager Gerry Lopez reported the annual Christmas tree trimming potluck will be held on November 16 at 6 p.m. Staff will bring a main dish and circulate a potluck sign-up sheet; family members are welcome to attend. Staff is requesting the approval of \$100.00 from the BE Commission enterprise fund account to purchase new tree decorations.

****M/S/P Rollins/Sonne** – Motion to approve the BE Commission tree trimming potluck be held at City Hall on November 16 at 6 p.m.

****M/S/P Rollins/Sonne** – Motion to approve up to \$100.00 from the BE Commission enterprise fund account to purchase new tree decorations.

3. Holiday Decoration Awards Tour – Thursday, December 14 at 6 p.m.

The BEC holiday awards tour will be held on December 14 at 6 p.m. BE Commissioners are encouraged to scout their assigned areas in search of holiday awards nominees. Commissioners will assist in the viewing of nominated homes to decide which homes will make the final list for the tour on December 14.

****M/S/P Weise/Rollins** – Motion for the BE Commission Holiday Decorations Awards Tour to be held on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 6 p.m.

4. December Commission Meeting (Dec. 28 – motion to adjourn)

****M/S/P Rollins/McKinney** – Motion to adjourn the BE Commission meeting on December 28, 2017.

5. BEC 2017 Holiday Decorations Awards – Nominations Nov. 27 – Dec. 11, 2017

Field Operations Manager Gerry Lopez announced the annual Holiday Decoration Awards nomination period is November 27 through December 11, 2017. Buena Park residents who display holiday spirit and civic pride by decorating their home will receive a “winner” lawn sign and plaque certificate. Anyone can submit a nomination within Buena Park. Awards will be presented to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2018.

6. BEC 2017 Holiday Decorations Awards City Council Presentation on January 9, 2018

The holiday awards will be presented to the winning residents by Commissioners at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2018. Chair Wiese, Commissioner McKinney and Commissioner Sonne will attend.

7. BE Commission Budget Review

The Commission reviewed the enterprise fund financial budget; the current balance as of September 30, 2017 is \$2,350.00. The remaining account funds were obtained from prior years of BE Commission fund raising events. The Commission will discuss replenishment of funds at a future meeting.

STAFF REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENT:

Commissioner Lopez reported there has been a lot of Coyotes roaming in the neighborhood. Staff stated that animal issues should be reported to SEACCA Animal Control. Commissioner McKinney suggested that the BEC re-usable bags be shared with City staff. Commissioner Sonne requested an update on the City's tree inventory and more information on the City's Community Gardens.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Buena Park resident Rebecca Kovacs (no address given) addressed the Commission. Kovacs stated she enjoyed participating in the Silverado Days event.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on January 25, 2018.


Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary


Beautification-Environment Commission Chairman