



## City of Buena Park

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### MINUTES BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OCTOBER 25, 2018

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met in a regular session on October 25, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Commissioner McKinney

#### **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Brown, Lopez, McKinney, Qureshi, Rollins, Riess, Sonne

**STAFF:** Streets Superintendent Jeff Porter, Recording Secretary Elizabeth Genera

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)**

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2018

**\*\*M/S/P Brown/Lopez – Approval of meeting minutes of September 27, 2018.**

#### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **OLD BUSINESS: (1-3)**

##### **1. Polystyrene Public Awareness Campaign Status**

The Polystyrene (Styrofoam) information brochure drafted by the BE Commission was approved by the City Manager and City Council. The Council has directed the BE Commission to reach out and visit local businesses and restaurants to share the commission's vision.

The Council has instructed that there will be no action at this time to ban of Polystyrene until the State of California Bill goes into effect in 2019. Chair Rollins reported that the commission handed out the new Styrofoam brochures at Silverado Days and they were well received. Rollins was told by employees from Buena Park School District that the schools in the district currently use Styrofoam trays to serve breakfast and lunch to approx. 800 students per day. Commissioner Sonne stated the Commission needs to develop an award to recognize restaurants and businesses that are purposely not using Polystyrene products.

##### **2. Neighborhood Improvement Project Program (NIPP) Review**

The NIPP was held on October 6 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Residents received notice via door tags and flyers. The event was advertised on social media and the City website. Commissioners, Public Works Streets Division staff and volunteers worked on improvements that included painting of red curbs, curb numbers and fire hydrants and tree planting. Park Disposal provided bins for bulky item removal. The Commission requests that next year the NIPP be held twice a year in the spring and fall; the Commission will discuss at the January meeting. Commissioner McKinney would like the Commission to develop a "adopt a neighborhood" program. Commission Qureshi suggested that the NIPP event be more organized and provide area assignments ahead of time.

### 3. Silverado Days BEC Booth Review

The BE Commission hosted a booth at Silverado Days on Saturday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Spin wheel give-a-ways included BEC reusable bags, sports bottle, succulent plants and candy. Commissioners reported that the Polystyrene awareness brochures and water district information were very well received by booth visitors. The Commission would like to discuss operating the booth on Saturday and Sunday for next year.

### NEW BUSINESS: (1-7)

#### 1. BEC 2018 Holiday Decorations Awards – Nomination period Nov. 26 – Dec. 10, 2018

The annual BEC Holiday Decoration Awards nomination period is November 26 through December 10, 2018. 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2019.

#### 2. BEC 2018 Holiday Decorations Commission Judging Tour – Thurs. Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.

The BEC holiday awards tour will be held on December 13 at 6 p.m. please meet at City Hall. BE Commissioners are encouraged to scout their assigned areas in search of holiday award nominees. Staff requests that each Commissioner submit three nominations. Commissioners will receive a list of addresses to pre-judge, this will be used to narrow down the final list for the Commission judging tour on Dec. 13.

#### 3. BEC 2018 Holiday Decorations City Council Presentation – Tues. Jan. 8 at 5 p.m.

The holiday awards will be presented to the winning residents by Commissioners at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2019. Chair Rollins and Commissioner Sonne will attend.

#### 4. November BE Commission Meeting (Nov. 22) Motion to Adjourn

**\*\*M/S/P McKinney/Brown – Motion to adjourn the BE Commission meeting on November 22, 2018.**

#### 5. BEC Christmas Tree Trimming / Potluck at City Hall – Thursday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m.

The annual Christmas tree trimming potluck will be held on November 15 at 6 p.m. Staff will bring a main dish and circulate a potluck sign-up sheet; family members are welcome to attend.

#### 6. December BE Commission Meeting (Dec. 27) Motion to Adjourn

**\*\*M/S/P McKinney/Brown – Motion to adjourn the BE Commission meeting on December 27, 2018.**

#### 7. BEC Enterprise Fund Budget Review

The Commission reviewed the enterprise fund account balance sheet; the balance as of Oct. 25, 2018 is \$1,054.00.

**BP YOUTH GROUPS AD HOC COMMITTEE:**

**1. Committee Update**

Chair Rollins reported the BP Youth Ad Hoc Committee members have reached out to schools. The Commission will discuss adopt a neighborhood program and involve local groups.

**STAFF REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENT/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Commissioner Sonne would like to discuss Arbor Day at a future meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** A Buena Park resident asked the commission questions regarding parkway trees.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on January 24, 2019.



Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary



Beautification-Environment Commission Chair