



City of Buena Park

MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
April 25, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met in a regular session on April 25, 2019, 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 Rollins

ROLL CALL

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

EXCUSED: Riess

STAFF: Senior Management Analyst Doug Brodowski, Recording Secretary Elizabeth Genera

CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2019

****M/S/P McKinney/Brown – Approval of meeting minutes of February 28, 2019.**

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OLD BUSINESS: (1-2)

1. BEC Arbor Day Event Review

The BE Commission and West Coast Arborist hosted an Arbor Day tree planting event on Saturday, March 9th at Smith Murphy Park. The event included opening remarks, presentation of colors, Mayor's welcome, the history of Arbor Day and 40 trees were planted. The event was very successful and had support from WCA, Public Works, Community Services and volunteers. Several Council members attended and the commission assisted in reading the program script written by Chair Sonne.

2. Adopt-A-Neighborhood (McKinney)

Vice Chair McKinney would like the Commission to develop a program for residents to join in the cleanup of their own neighborhood. McKinney suggested that the program could be mostly resident involvement and perhaps public works could provide minimal assistance by providing supplies like trash bags, tools and bulky item bins. The Commission reviewed the BP Community Clean-Up Program proposal presented by McKinney. Eligible groups would include associations, volunteer groups and neighborhood improvement organizations. A request for assistance form will be submitted by those interested to the public works department at least 4 weeks prior. McKinney created a sample letter, a timeline and do and don'ts for a successful clean up.

Doug Brodowski stated this type of program could make use of the existing city programs and resources such as park disposal bulky item pick up, waste management curbside motor oil and hazardous waste removal and graffiti removal.

Brodowski stated staff could develop a resource packet for residents. One thing to consider is the need for public works staff; this will require overtime and would impact the streets division budget. Brodowski suggested that the Commission present this program to City Council at study session to gain their support.

****M/S/P Rollins/Sonne** – *Motion to approve that the Commission and staff will create a presentation on the BP Community Clean-Up Program to present to City Council at study session.*

NEW BUSINESS: (1-2)

1. Spring Neighborhood Improvement Partnership Program (NIPP)

The BE Commission requested the neighborhood improvement project program be held in the spring and fall this year. Vice Chair McKinney is requesting that California Street located in the states tract be the location for the spring NIPP this year on Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Commissioners agreed to participate in hand delivering the door tags to resident homes two weeks prior to the event.

Residents will receive notice of the event via door tags and flyers. The event will be advertised on social media and the City website. Commissioners, Public Works Streets Division staff and volunteers will work on improvements that included painting of red curbs, curb numbers and fire hydrants and graffiti removal. Park Disposal provided bins for bulky item removal.

****M/S/P McKinney/Sonne** – *Motion to approve the spring NIPP be held on Saturday, June 8, 2019 in the states tract.*

2. Love Buena Park Day – Saturday, May 4, 2019

Vice Chair McKinney stated that he would like to propose clean up of the BP Entertainment Zone (EZone-Beach Blvd.) as a Love Buena Park Day project. McKinney would like the project to be supported by the Commission. Doug Brodowski reported that this summer Buena Park will have a lot of tourism along Beach Boulevard. The City Manager is supportive of clean up of this area on Beach Blvd. from Orangethorpe Ave. to Crescent Ave. The project will be added to the Love Buena Park webpage.

BP YOUTH GROUPS AD HOC COMMITTEE:

1. Committee Update

Chair Sonne created a draft letter to introduce the green patrol to youth in local schools and community. Sonne suggested that the green patrol program be promoted at the commission booth at Silverado Days in October.

STAFF REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENT/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Chair Sonne created letters regarding reducing the use polystyrene products and a recognition program. It will be discussed at the May meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on May 23, 2019.