



City of Buena Park

MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
February 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met in a regular session on February 27, 2020, 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 Chair McKinney

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brown, Lopez, McKinney, Miller, Qureshi, Rollins
EXCUSED: Sonne
STAFF: Doug Brodowski, Operations Manager; Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)

- 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2020

****M/S/P Qureshi/Brown** – Approval of meeting minutes of January 23, 2020.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OLD BUSINESS: (1-2)

1. Good Environmental Citizen Recognition Program Update

Doug Brodowski reported the City Council agreed that the BE Commission may create a public awareness program encouraging local restaurants to consider use of alternative products in place of expanded polystyrene. Commission members should not make direct contact with businesses in Buena Park; the Council recommends that the commission reach out to restaurants/businesses via US mail. Brodowski stated that staff has obtained a mail list.

The *Good Environmental Citizen Recognition Program* will recognize businesses in Buena Park who make an effort to use environmentally friendly products. Commissioner Rollins suggested Black Bear Diner, Rock & Brews and Olive Garden as nominees. Operations Manager Doug Brodowski will look into getting this program on the agenda for discussion at the March 24th study session.

2. Arbor Day Event Planning – Saturday, March 14 at 9 a.m.

West Coast Arborists has donated 10 trees to be planted in front of St. Joseph’s Episcopal Church in Buena Park. The event will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020, beginning at 9 a.m. Trees will be planted on the parkway along Valley View Street; the event ceremony will be held on the church open area. Community Services Recreation department will also participate and volunteers will be invited.

NEW BUSINESS: (1-3)**1. Neighborhood Improvement Partnership Program (NIPP) Spring**

Doug Brodowski stated the neighborhood for the spring NIPP will be in the president tract. The Commission will discuss and schedule a date at the next meeting.

2. Earth Day – EDCO Waste Management Sponsored Event

Doug Brodowski reported that Edco Waste Management offered to sponsor a free event that includes paper shredding, e-waste recycling and free compost for Buena Park residents. The event will be schedule for this Spring around Earth Day. The Commission suggested Saturday, April 25th. Brodowski will contact EDCO regarding the date and location and report at the next meeting.

3. Halloween Decorations Contest (Sonne)

No report.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Chair McKinney stated there are a lot of overgrown fruit trees in the City; many of the fruit go rotten on the tree. Other cities have an organized group that helps residents pick the fruit to donate to people in need. McKinney would like to discuss this at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on March 26, 2020.

Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

Beautification-Environment Commission Chair