



MINUTES
BEAUTIFICATION-ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MARCH 25, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Beautification-Environmental Commission met via video conference on March 25, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in Buena Park, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Miller

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brown, Lopez, McKinney, Miller, Rollins
STAFF: Doug Brodowski, Operations Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR: (1)

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2021
****M/S/P Rollins/Miller – Approval of meeting March 25, 2021.*

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OLD BUSINESS: (1-4)

1. Arbor/Earth Day Tree Planting Update

The Public Works Streets Division has received Purple Orchid trees donated by West Coast Arborist to plant on Houston Street in honor of Arbor/Earth Day. Operations Manager Doug Brodowski reported that there are many residents on Houston that do not want a tree planted on the parkway in front of their home, so the trees will be planted on the parkway along San Marino School. Brodowski will do a proclamation for the next City Council meeting to designate the month of April as tree planting month and is also working on renewing a contract to add Buena Park as a *Tree City USA*.

2. EDCO Earth Day Event

Doug Brodowski reported that EDCO would like to partner with the City and the BE Commission to host an Earth Day recycling event to be held on Saturday, May 22 in the parking lot of Knott's Berry Farm. The event will include electronics disposal, paper shredding and free mulch.

3. Neighborhood Improvement Partnership Program (NIPP Spring) Update

Doug Brodowski reported that the next street slurry project is scheduled to begin in the residential tract behind city hall sometime in May; this will be a good location for the Spring NIPP. He will report back to the Commission at the next meeting.

West Coast Arborist along with Streets Superintendent Jeff Porter have identified several trees on parkways and city parks that are dying or diseased. This may present safety and damage concerns; WCA is recommending that these trees be removed. The Commission shared concerns about the replacement of new trees on parkways. Brodowski stated the City Municipal Code does allow city trees that have been removed to be replaced without approval from the home owner, so these trees will be replaced. This subject will be discussed at a City Council study session.

4. BP Community CleanUp Program Update

Doug Brodowski reported he will meet with the City Manager regarding the BP Community CleanUp for discussion at City Council study session before moving forward with this program.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilmember Susan Sonne reported that there is a new air purifying system and partitions installed at City Hall. The BEC zoom meetings will be posted to the City website so the public can attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on April 25, 2021.

Elizabeth Genera, Recording Secretary

Beautification-Environment Commission Chair