

CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE

AGENDA

Beautification & Natural Resources Committee
Museum of Natural History Conference Room
Central and Forest Avenue

Tuesday, October 24, 2006 4:00 PM

ACTION MINUTES

Members Present: Akeman, Anton, Foord, Mollring, Bauer, Stearman
Members Absent: Lindsay
Staff: Martinez

Meeting convened at: 4:00 Meeting adjourned: 6:40 PM

Members-Please notify Public Works Department Office at 648-5722 if you cannot make it to the meeting. Thank You

SECTION	AGENDA ITEM	VOTE (if any)	ACTION
I. Approval of Minutes	September 26, 2006	M: Akeman S: Mollring Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstentions:	Approved after corrections. Public Hearing #2, changed from 11 inches to 4 inches with regard to sidewalk lift.
II. Oral Communications	Comments from the audience will not receive committee action. Comments may concern matters either on or not on the agenda, but must deal with matters subject to the jurisdiction of the BNRC. Comments concerning matters set for public hearing on the agenda will not be heard until the public hearing is called. Comments will be limited to three minutes.		None for public comment. Chairperson moved to have item IV A moved ahead of Public Hearing #1.

Public Hearing (1)	Municipal Ball Park (17 Mile Drive /Short Street)	M: Stearman S: Foord Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstentions:	Deny appeal.
Public Hearing (2)	415 Asilomar	M: Foord S: Stearman Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstentions:	Delay appeal. Re-evaluate, follow up with Public Works.
Public Hearing (3)	501 Congress	M: Akeman S: Stearman Ayes: 6 Noes: Abstentions:	Deny appeal.
III. Old Business a.	Tree replant mail-in- cards (Carmel)	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Carmel gets 20% response. Once PG caught up with 2006, will mail 45 days after permit issued.
III. Old Business b.	Heritage Trees	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	No discussion.
III. Old Business c.	Tree Ordinance	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Ad Hoc will meet next week with PC reps and BNRC reps.
IV. New Business a.	Meeting with City Attorney to review Committee and Council roles and processes; including Brown Act and conflicts of interest matters. This item allows a question and answer session with the City Attorney, but no specific action or recommendation shall be made at this time.	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Laredo discussed committee purview and stated their actions must be within subsections C of the ordinance. Decisions must be fact based not inferred. Liability of private trees rests with homeowner except in cases of denials not fact based.

IV. New Business b.	Tree Permit Summary September, 2006	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Accepted.
IV. New Business d.	Snags	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Consolidate and incorporate Don Roberson's comments into the tree ordinance.
IV. New Business e.	Patriotic banner for downtown.	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	No prototype for review.
IV. New Business f.	"Adopt -a-tree" program.	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Adopt and memorial will go together. Trial adopt program 15-20 parties. Memorial program to be based on research from other like sized cities. Specimen tree re: removal with development valuation of tree, 10% bond for 3 years replant with large box tree and core and replacement. This is an idea that was presented to the committee by staff.
V. Sub-committee reports a.	Crespi Pond	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	No meeting.

V. Sub-committee reports b.	Carmel Newsracks	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Forest and Lighthouse OK, Post Office and Theater unsightly. Patricia Bauer reports the Herald is 1. Supportive 2. Helpful 3. Called other publishers 4. One publisher said no 5. BNRC is preparing a letter, stating their wishes with regards to newspaper racks and locations. Content.
V. Sub-committee Reports c.	Recycling Containers/Recycling (2)	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	1. Post Office 2. Corner of LH/Forest 3. Museum/Chamber 4. Laundymat 5. Grove Market 6. City Hall 7. The Clothing Store/Coffee Shop Staff will arrange to be picked up by Waste Management
V. Sub-committee Reports d.	Street Tree Planting (5)	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstention:	Will work with Adopt a tree program for City Planting Program (s)
V. Sub-committee Reports e.	Tidepool Steering Committee	M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	Signage to be settled after meeting with Museum person next week.
VI. Correspondence		M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	
VII. Agenda Items for next meeting		M: S: Ayes: Noes: Abstentions:	
VIII. Adjournment		M: S: Ayes:	6:40 PM

