

MINUTES
CITY OF PETALUMA, CA
TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, September 19th, 2007, 3:30 pm
CONFERENCE ROOM 3 - PETALUMA COMMUNITY CENTER
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Members Present: Carothers, Ferguson, *Scaccalosi, Sullivan, Wilson
***Chair**
STAFF: Gabe Lanusse

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 15, 2007, Approved with addition of “motion seconded and approved” under election of officers.

PARK COMMISSIONER LAISON: Mark Ferguson , who is the Park Commissioner Chair, has replaced Joe Noriel. He was introduced to the TAC and given a summary of topics that the TAC is working on.

OLD BUSINESS:

- I. Update on General Plan (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**
George White will have the Tree Ordinance, Hillside, and Green Building put together as a group. He will need a representative(s) from the TAC to help form the Tree Ordinance. Rod will contact Mr. White, and Norman.
- II. Heritage Trees (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**
Sullivan gave a summary regarding heritage trees.
- III. Grants – Opportunities & Calendar (TAC & Wilson) (Discussion/Action)**
Norman was not present to update on the two grants she is working on, but a summary was given by the TAC. We may not have everything together for this year for the tree inventory grant, but the 150 trees for Petaluma may be there.
- IV. Various Cities Tree Survey (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**
Scacolosi and Norman turned in their surveys.
- V. TAC Goals for Council Report (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**
Lanusse mentions that the TAC should give a report to the Council soon since they have not had one. Once the TAC thinks they have something he can put them on the council agenda. With the Holidays coming up, it may be a few months until they can actually

present. Scaccalosi will refer to the goals for the TAC as well as what they have accomplished.

VI. Electronic Distribution of TAC packets. (Scaccalosi) (Discussion/Action)

Scaccalosi will talk to George White regarding Brown Act and Lanusse will talk to Brodhun.

VII. Street Tree List (Sullivan) (Discussion/Action)

The TAC went through Sullivan's list and started to eliminate trees from the combined Santa Rosa, Petaluma, and Wilson's allergy index list. About half the list was done. Lanusse will contact Dave Irribarne regarding water usage for the trees.

NEW BUSINESS

I. Guest Speaker did not show.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS: None

LIAISON REPORTS: None

STAFF REPORTS: Lanusse will look into Brown Act for what information do we need to maintain i.e., communications between members.

PENDING FUTURE ITEMS:

1. Tree Ordinance (TAC)
 2. Genetically Modified Trees
 2. Hansen House & Plan to Move Palm Trees
 3. Tree Brochures (?) (September)
 4. Depot Palms (?)
 5. Street Tree List Review & update.
 6. Proposed Clover Project (Reed)
 7. Sunnyslope Development- With Existing Trees
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ADJOURNMENT: 5:40 p.m.

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