



City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation Department

Memorandum

DATE: July 24, 2024
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Golf Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2024

The Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) advises the Commission and staff on the administration, use, and policies of the golf course to provide a quality golfing experience.

Member Representation

The Committee consists of seven members, with at-large members and representatives from the Men's Club, Women's Club, Los Paisanos Golf Club, and the LPGA Amateur Golf Association, Santa Barbara Chapter.

Committee Members

Dominic Namnath (Chair) – Men's Club
John Craig (Vice-Chair) – Los Paisanos
Maureen Masson – Women's Club
Joanne Kavanagh-Payne – LPGA, Santa Barbara Chapter
Craig Moore – At-large
Michael Woodard – At-large
Sheri Dean – At-large

Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison

Jeffrey Chang

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

The Parks and Recreation Commission appoints the members of the Golf Advisory Committee. The Committee normally meets bimonthly at 4:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month in the Parks and Recreation conference room, located at 620 Laguna Street. The Committee met for a total of four (4) regular meetings in FY24, with one meeting canceled in August 2023 due to a lack of a quorum and one meeting

cancelled in February 2024 due to impacts from winter storms. Committee meetings are currently coordinated by Tina Nelson, Business Manager, and include representatives from concessionaires CourseCo and Mulligan's.

Committee Projects/Activities

- Recommended Fiscal Year 2025 Budget, Capital Improvement Projects, and modest fee increases, effective July 1, 2024.
- Retained the \$1 Players' Improvement Fund fee, applied to all greens fees to generate dedicated funds for projects identified by golfers, recommended by the GAC, and approved by staff.
- Recommended use of Players' Improvement Fund monies primarily for tee box renovations in Fiscal Year 2025.
- Received regular updates on maintenance and provided golfer feedback on significant improvements or maintenance concerns observed during the year.

Recommendations/Concerns

None.



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DATE: July 24, 2024
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2024

The IPM Advisory Committee advises the Parks and Recreation Department and Commission regarding the City's IPM Strategy, Pesticide Hazard And Exposure Reduction (PHAER) Zone, and other related matters.

Member Representation

The members of the Committee are appointed by the Parks and Recreation Commission from residents of the community. Member representation includes the following:

- Four Community At-Large members
- One representative from the Pesticide Awareness and Alternatives Coalition (PAAC)

Committee Members

Greg Chittick (Chair)
Kristen LaBonte (Vice-Chair)
Larry Saltzman (PAAC)
Barbara Silver
Keith Nevison

Parks and Recreation Commission Liaisons

Nichol Clark
Kathy McGill

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

Committee members are appointed by the Parks and Recreation Commission. Meetings are held quarterly, with special meetings called when necessary. The Committee held six meetings in Fiscal Year 2024.

Committee Projects/Activities

- Discussed invasive weed and rodent problems.
- Reviewed and approved the IPM Annual Report for FY 2023.
- Reviewed proposed Annual Plan for 2024. Plan included proposed use of chemicals by each City Department for FY 2024.
- Reviewed the revised FY24 Materials List.
- Recommended approval of programmatic exemption request for use of fungicide on the Moreton Bay Fig Tree while fenced.
- Recommended approval of programmatic request for use of fungicides, herbicides, and insecticides, with conditions, on Golf Course greens and some fairways.
- Recommended approval of programmatic exemption request for use of insecticides in City facilities and at Airport facilities, following all protocols.
- Recommended approval of programmatic exemption request for use of herbicides for Pampas Grass and Arundo eradication at various City creeks, following all protocols.
- Recommended one-time use of herbicides at Gould Park along East Camino Cielo Road to remove invasive weeds.
- Recommended one-time use of herbicides at Alice Keck Park to remove invasive weeds in preparation for the native planting plan by the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden.
- Adopted Gopher Trapping and Turf Management Policies which implement proactive cultural and mechanical practices to minimize the need for chemical applications in City parks.

Recommendations/Concerns

None.



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Memorandum

DATE: July 24, 2024
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2024

Established in 1965 by local artists and sponsored by the City of Santa Barbara's Parks and Recreation Department (Department) since 1966, the Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show (Show) is the oldest, longest running, non-juried art festival of original drawings, paintings, graphics, sculpture, crafts, and photography in the world.

The show occurs year-round along Cabrillo Boulevard every Sunday and select Saturdays. All artwork is original, created by approximately 150 Santa Barbara County artists. Show members display their artwork in an informal atmosphere that encourages visitors to talk with artists about their work and in some cases, see them in action.

Committee members act as advocates for show members, assisting in clarifying rules or policies and serving as a voice for member concerns at monthly meetings. Committee members also assist in resolving disputes between show members by working with staff monitors to enforce the Show's procedures and regulations. The Committee plays a central role in the process for considering rule revisions.

Member Representation

The Committee is comprised of two members and three alternates representing participants who primarily produce non-functional decorative arts, two members and three alternates who primarily produce functional crafts, and one member-at-large position.

Committee Members

Brad Kazmerzak (Art Primary)
Joseph Claus (Art Primary)
Nicole Horstin (Crafts Primary)
Marilyn Dannehower (Crafts Primary)
Marilyn Loperfido (Crafts Alternate)
Vacant (Member at Large and alternate positions)

At an election held in February 2024, Joseph Claus replaced Erin Duffy representing decorative arts members, and Marilyn Dannehower replaced Deborah Healy, representing functional crafts members. Marilyn Loperfido was elected as an alternate representing functional crafts members in that same election.

Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison

Robin Unander-La Berge

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

Four of five Committee positions are elected by Show members. A fifth “member-at-large” position is a community member who is appointed by the Parks and Recreation Commission and cannot be a member of the Show or City staff. Monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm, during which new Show applicants are screened, followed by regular Committee business.

Committee Projects/Activities

Replacement of the SignUpGenius online space reservation system was discussed at several meetings. The Committee concurred with staff’s conclusion that any live online reservation system would place members without access to technology at an unreasonable disadvantage. A new system has been outlined where space claiming will occur in-person Sunday mornings, which will be implemented in Fiscal Year 2025.

The committee reviewed a request to have textiles commercially printed. The request was denied because it violates the rule prohibiting use of commercial production facilities.

Two new sandwich board signs were approved by the Committee to encourage members to visit members in the east section of the Show.

Rules for cottage food members, who are certified by Santa Barbara County Environmental Health to produce shelf-stable foods in private home kitchens, were modified to allow access to specified spaces west of the Palm Park Beach House on weather days and holiday shows.

In consideration of several weekends affected by weather this past winter, Staff worked with the Committee to add three Saturdays to the summer schedule for calendar year 2024. This is similar to what occurred the previous year.

Recommendations/Concerns

The Committee will continue to work on improvements to the Show Procedures and Regulations to provide clear instructions for members.



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Memorandum

DATE: July 24, 2024
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Santa Barbara Youth Council
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2024

The Youth Council provides a forum for youth in the community to share their concerns, issues, and viewpoints. The Youth Council then advocates for and recommends changes in procedures, policies and/or legislation pertinent to youth in Santa Barbara to the City Council, various City departments, and agencies, as appropriate.

Member Representation

During Fiscal Year 2024, Youth Council's membership was composed of the following:

Grade: Freshman (0), Sophomore (2), Junior (6) Senior (5)
School: Private School (2), San Marcos High School (2), Santa Barbara High School (3), Dos Pueblos High School (4), Public At Large (2)
Gender: Male (3), Female (10)
Ethnicity: Latino/Hispanic (6), White (4), Asian-American (1), Indian (2)

Committee Members

Tiago Eckstein (Chair)	Gwen Chenoweth	Carlos Vazquez
Anastasia Li (Vice-Chair)	Elly Cuevas	Kavya Suresh
Sagarika Manian	Lucia Camp	Sindy Zavala
Amelia Vander May	Clara Stump	
Sophia Cruz	Jeremy Solano Beltran	

Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison

Evelyn Feck
Jacob Lesner-Buxton.

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

With the adoption of Resolution No. 12-018, voting members of the Santa Barbara Youth Council are appointed through the same process as other City Boards and Commissions by the Mayor and City Council members, with the exception that the Youth Council members interview the applicants and make recommendations to the City Council.

The Youth Council meets on the first and third Monday of the month from September to June (exception: holidays that fall on the scheduled Monday) and do not meet during the summer months (July and August).

Youth Council meetings between August 2023 and June 2024 were held in person at the Franklin Neighborhood Center, 1136 E. Montecito St. A total of twelve (12) regular meetings, five (5) special meetings, and fifteen (15) subcommittee meetings were held during Fiscal Year 2024.

Committee Projects/Activities

The Youth Council continued their annual involvement with several community agencies and activities, as well as a grant funded project. Collaborations and projects included the following:

- Community Collaborations - Santa Barbara Police Activities League, Santa Barbara Police Department, Downtown Organization, Youth Wellness Coalition, Unity Shoppe, Future Leaders of America, the Fund for Santa Barbara, and Moms Demand Action.
- Santa Barbara 2024 Youth Council Speak Out – With funding granted to the Youth Council from The Fund for Santa Barbara Youth Making Change Grant, the Youth Council held a Speak Out on April 13, 2024. This event encouraged teens to receive education on topics they are passionate about while working towards advocacy for positive changes in their community.
- Trunk or Treat – In partnership with Santa Barbara Police Activities League the Youth Council hosted the annual Trunk or Treat, serving over 1,500 members of the community. The Youth Council and SBPAL hosted a total of twenty-seven (27) decorated trunks, nine (9) of which were city department vehicles.
- Safe Firearm Storage Ordinance – After receiving a presentation from Moms Demand Action and the City Assistant Attorney, members met roughly three (3) times in an ad hoc subcommittee to draft the Safe Firearm Storage Ordinance (the ordinance). After a presentation to the Parks and Recreation Commission,

Ordinance Committee, and the City Council, the ordinance was passed on March 5, 2024.

- Creek Week 2023 – The Youth Council participated in the 2023 Coastal Cleanup and collected roughly twenty-four (24) pounds of waste.
- Holiday Toy Donations to Families in Need – With a generous donation of roughly 195 unwrapped toys from the Unity Shoppe, an estimated \$2,708.53 value, the Youth Council hosted two community Santa’s Workshops to wrap toys for low-income families with young children in the Santa Barbara community.
- Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award – In partnership with the Downtown Organization of Santa Barbara, the Youth Council assisted with promotion of the application and conducted the selection process to select an award recipient.
- Adolescent Opioid Use Presentation – The Youth Council received a presentation from Future Leaders of America intended to educate teens on the dangers of opioid use as well as increase education of local resources for prevention and treatment.
- Sustainability and Resilience Department – The Youth Council received a presentation from Sustainability and Resilience department staff on waste disposal and city environmental goals.
- Free Gun Lock Giveaway – In partnership with Moms Demand Action and the Santa Barbara Police Department, the Youth Council hosted a community Be SMART presentation to raise awareness on the Safe Firearm Storage Ordinance and provided free gun locks to the community.

Recommendations/Concerns

The Santa Barbara Youth Council continues to be an active advisory board and is improving efforts to expand collaboration with teens in junior high and in continuation or alternative high schools.

- Semi-Annual Recruitment – The Youth Council continues to strategize new ways to recruit for vacancies in the Local Alternative, Community, or Continuation High School categories. New strategies include building stronger connections between the Youth Council Staff Liaison and school staff by hosting updates on upcoming Youth Council events. The Youth Council Staff liaison will also request school staff to nominate students to apply.

- Non-voting Junior High Members – The Youth Council successfully filled one (1) of five (5) non-voting junior high member vacancies and recommends continuous recruitment until the remaining positions are filled. Since non-voting member positions do not require appointment from the City Council, the Youth Council will continue a year-round strategy, allowing for non-members to serve a one (1) calendar year term.



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Memorandum

DATE: July 24, 2024
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Street Tree Advisory Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Advisory Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2024

The Street Tree Advisory Committee advises the Parks and Recreation Department and the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding planting and removing City trees and trees in front yard setbacks.

Member Representation

The Committee consists of five members. Three members must be residents of the City of Santa Barbara; two members may be non-residents.

Committee Members

Bruce Reed (Chair)
Santos Escobar (Vice-Chair)
Anthony 'Tony' DeMola
Maury Treman
Warren 'Duke' McPherson

Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison

Nichol Clark

Appointment Process and Meeting Schedule

Members are appointed for two-year terms by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The Committee meets on the first Thursday of each month, with a field tour to inspect tree removal requests and other issues pertaining to City street and front yard setback trees.

There were 11 Street Tree Advisory Committee meetings held in FY 2024.

Committee Projects/Activities

The Committee inspected and made recommendations regarding requests for the removal of one hundred and five (105) street and front yard setback trees, including the replacement planting of seventy-five (75) street and setback trees. They also made recommendations for twelve (12) changes to the Master Street Tree Plan. The breakdown of removals and plantings are as follows:

- Recommended approval to remove fifty-nine (59) City trees.
- Recommended replacement planting of fifty-eight (58) City trees.
- Recommended denial for removal of one (1) City tree.
- Recommended approval to remove twenty-six (26) front yard setback trees.
- Recommended replacement planting of seventeen (17) front yard setback trees.
- Recommended denial for the removal of fifteen (15) front yard setback trees.

Recommendations/Concerns

None.