



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**Street Tree Advisory Committee  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, June 6, 2024  
8:30 AM**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER 8:35 AM
2. ROLL CALL  
Members present: Duke McPherson, Santos Escobar, Bruce Reed, and Anthony DeMola arrived late at 9:57 AM.  
Members absent: Maury Treman.  
Parks and Recreation staff present: Nathan Slack, and Brett Volpi.  
Members of the public: Scott Burns, John Keller, Chris Vigilante, and John Stockton.
3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
4. PUBLIC COMMENT  
None
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
A. Regular Meeting May 2, 2024.

**Motion: Member McPherson moved, seconded by member Escobar, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 2, 2024.**

**Vote: 3/0.**

6. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION  
A. Mr. Slack advised STAC of Parks and Recreation Commission actions.

**STREET TREES**

None

**SETBACK TREES**

1. 628 Willowglen Road – *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – W. Scott Burns

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree capable of reaching a height of 25 feet at maturity.

**Motion: Member DeMola moved, seconded by Member Escobar to recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree capable of reaching a height of 25 feet at maturity, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

2. 1403 Portesuello Avenue – *Cedrus deodara*, Deodar Cedar – John Keller

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

3. 1616 Hillside Road – *Liquidambar styraciflua*, American Sweetgum – Christopher Vigilante

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member DeMola to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

4. 2025 Red Rose Way – (2) *Pinus radiata*, Monterey Pine – Gerda Magdalena

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member McPherson moved, seconded by Member DeMola to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

5. 3091 Calle Rosales – *Cedrus deodara*, Deodar Cedar – Michael Giuffrida

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal.

**Motion: Member McPherson moved, seconded by Member DeMola to recommend that the Commission deny the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

6. 535 Arroyo Avenue – (1) *Araucaria heterophylla*, Norfolk Island Pine, and (1) *Hesperocyparis macrocarpa*, Monterey Cypress – Jaclyn Guerrero

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal of the Cook Pine on the condition the applicant plant a new tree that can achieve a mature height of 20 feet and that the Commission deny the removal of the Monterey Cypress without prejudice to allow the applicant to return with more detailed information to support the removal.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member McPherson to recommend that the Commission approve the removal of the Cook Pine on the condition the applicant plant a new tree that can achieve a mature height of 20 feet and that the Commission deny the removal of the Monterey Cypress without prejudice to allow the applicant to return with more detailed information to support the removal, passed.**

**Vote: 4/0.**

7. 2501 Medcliff Road – *Schinus terebinthifolia*, Brazilian Pepper – Guillaume de Zwirek

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree capable of reaching a height of 30 feet at maturity.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member Escobar to recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree capable of reaching a height of 30 feet at maturity, passed.**

**Vote: 3/0.**

8. 504 Owen Road – *Pinus pinea*, Italian Stone Pine – Kathleen Peterson

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree that can achieve 30 feet at maturity.

**Motion: Member Reed moved, seconded by Member Escobar to recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition the applicant plant a new tree that can achieve 30 feet at maturity, passed.**

**Vote: 3/0.**

7. STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
8. OLD BUSINESS
9. NEW BUSINESS

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Nathan Slack, Urban Forest Superintendent

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