

# CITY OF PACIFICA BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 6:30 p.m. Public Works Corporation Yard 675 Oceana Blvd. Pacifica, CA 94044

CALL TO ORDER: 6:39 P.M. by Chair Gail Bennett

Members Present: Gail Bennett, Julie Gossage, Linda Jonas, Hernan Muirragui, and Dan

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City Council Liaison: Councilmember Sue Beckmeyer

PB&R Liaison: Commissioner Gail Benton Shoemaker

**Staff Members**: Public Works Director Lisa Petersen, Field Services Manager Paul Lavorini, Parks Superintendent Gino Assereto, Streets Superintendent Louis Langi, and Project Coordinator Michelle Trayer from Public Works

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Approved.

APPROVAL OF November 2, 2022 MEETING MINUTES: Approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

# A. Updates on Palmetto Streetscape, Grace McCarthy projects-

Chairperson Bennett said last month's Palmetto Ave. maintenance and planting days were successful and stated the four corners at San Jose Ave and Palmetto Ave. as well as the corners at Hilton Way were completed. Chairperson Bennett noted some recently installed plants at one of the sites were mysteriously removed. Chairperson Bennett asked Committee member Jonas about the planting at the Grace McCarthy Overlook. Committee member Jonas said she gave the planting list to Field Services Manager Paul Lavorini. Field Services Manager Lavorini requested a member of the BAC accompany Public Works staff when purchasing plants so that member can choose the correct plants and make changes to the order if necessary. The group discussed possible planting dates and decided on Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

## B. Bioswale adoption & Signage for bioswale-

Chairperson Bennett asked Councilmember Beckmeyer if there was new information about Cabrillo School possibly adopting the Crespi Bioswales. Councilmember Beckmeyer did not have any information and suggested Chairperson Bennett reach out to the PTO members as well as Jennifer Carrillo, a Cabrillo School parent who attended previous BAC meetings about this topic.

## C. Pacifica Beautification Awards Subcommittee Management-

Chairperson Bennett reminded the group that Committee member Hoffman, who was not present at the meeting, still wished to serve on the Pacifica Beautification Awards Subcommittee but could not take the lead due to work commitments. Chairperson Bennett suggested the BAC utilize social media more to promote volunteer opportunities and talked about getting more youth involved. Commissioner Gail Benton Shoemaker said Oceana High School students need community service hours to graduate and also informed the group the school has its own Garden Club.

### D. Christmas Celebration & Farewell to Paul Lavorini-

The committee, liaisons, and City staff all gave thanks to Field Services Manager Lavorini for his dedication to the City and wished him well on his retirement at the end of the year.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES:**

Councilmember Beckmeyer said the City Council adopted the Reach Codes she discussed at the previous meeting. She stated the City of Pacifica was one of the earliest cities in the area to adopt reach codes three years ago. She mentioned the biggest change in the codes would be that new Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) will now need to be one hundred percent electric. City Council will discuss additional building conversions at next year's goal setting meeting. She also said the Highway 1/Manor Drive Overcrossing project will be moving to the next stage, which would entail evaluating traffic studies to identify ways to alleviate traffic congestion at the Manor intersection. The topic of possibly installing an onramp at Milagra Dr. was also discussed. Councilmember Beckmeyer said there would need to be more community discussion about this, but one of the reasons this is being considered is because it could potentially help the traffic flow at the Manor Dr. intersection. She reiterated these projects are still in the study phases. Lastly, Councilmember Beckmeyer said the agreement for City Manager Kevin Woodhouse was renegotiated and he will therefore remain with the City.

## **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:**

Public Works Director Lisa Petersen said the two Public Works Superintendents will be the rotating liaisons after Field Services Manager Lavorini departs from the City. Streets Superintendent Louis Langi will start in January for a few months, then Parks Superintendent Gino Assereto will step in. She also reminded Chairperson Bennett about the committee's update to Council at the end of the fiscal year. The BAC's report will include a PowerPoint presentation about their accomplishments and new goals for the coming year. She suggested the BAC collect photos of all of the work they have been doing so they can be added to the presentation. Lastly, Public Works Director Petersen told the group the Anza Pump Station Repair Project, led by Wastewater Engineer Nelson Schlater should be completed by Spring 2023. Field Services Manager Lavorini thanked the group and told them they would be left in good hands with the two Public Works Superintendents.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. New goals and projects for 2023
- B. Adopt-A-Spot locations discussion and possible Subcommittee formation

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Reminder to email, text, or call if not attending the meeting as it is important for quorum. Please review minutes and agenda prior to the meeting.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Chairperson Bennett closed the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

The next meeting of the Beautification Advisory Committee is scheduled for January 4, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. and is subject to change.