

**CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD JULY 26, 2016
PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM
155 WEST 14TH STREET
YUMA, AZ 85364**

Chairperson David Psolka called the meeting to order at 3:58 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Chairperson David Psolka**
 Vice Chair Kim Hamersley
 JoAnne Mowczko
 Linda Collins (via teleconference)
 Donald Strickland

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Theresa Francesco**

STAFF PRESENT: **Joel Olea, Public Works Director**
 Martin Agundez, Public Works Manager
 Kim Beltran, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: **None**

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by **Donald Strickland** to approve the **May 24, 2016 Minutes**, motion was seconded by **JoAnne Mowczko**.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Call to the Public: None

Mini Beautification Project: In response to **Donald Strickland's** request, **Martin Agundez** recited the current list of locations being considered for the next **Mini Beautification Project**. Other possible locations were discussed. **Joel Olea** suggested they check a map and concentrate on the gateways into Yuma.

Beautification Award Nominations: **JoAnne Mowczko** had a nomination for Auto Stop on South Pacific Avenue. The nomination was accepted and **JoAnne Mowczko** will let the staff know the day and time the presentation will be held. **JoAnne Mowczko** also asked that staff provide a list of past award winners and **Chairperson David Psolka** stated they can always ask City staff if a property has been awarded before.

Discussion of Web Page: **Kim Beltran** gave everyone a printout of the mockup of the web page that was designed by **Miriam Limon**, Marketing Specialist with City Administration. There was a discussion concerning what will be on the site, how pictures will be put on, what other City pages will be linked (i.e.: Household Hazardous Waste Day), procedures for getting permission to use pictures, how to contact the Commission by email, and so on. **Vice Chair Kim Hamersley** suggested having a list of current Commissioners, with a little information on them, if there are openings on the Commission and how someone can join. **Joel Olea** stated that they can go live with the website as soon as they want, it can always be updated and added to. He said that for now they just need to write up the first draft and they can discuss it at a later meeting. **Chairperson David Psolka** suggested a link to the application for new members. **JoAnne Mowczko** suggested they rewrite the information for Neighbors Helping Neighbors. There can be a link for people to request more information by email or regular mail.

City of Yuma and Nextdoor Social Network: **Joel Olea** explained what the network is and **JoAnne Mowczko** and **Linda Collins** told about their experiences with the program and how it works in their neighborhoods. **Linda Collins** suggested using the social network to get the word out on Neighbor Helping Neighbor. Everyone agreed to wait and see if any City Departments decide to implement the social network.

Household Hazardous Waste Day Location Change: **Martin Agundez** said that the new Fleet facility for the City of Yuma Public Works Department will be built in the same area where the Household Hazardous Waste Day event is currently held. The construction will start in the beginning of 2017. The October 8, 2016 event will still be held at 265 West 13th Street - probably for the last time. **Martin Agundez** listed other possible locations to use starting in 2017. **Joel Olea** said the primary location they are looking at now is the Public Safety training facility at 4E and 36th Street. **Donald Strickland** and **Linda Collins** mentioned more signage is needed. **Donald Strickland** and **Chairperson David Psolka** explained to newer Commissioners what the members' duties are at the events. **Joel Olea** stated the events are supported through the environmental fee on residents' water bills, and they average about 350 cars in a 4 hour period. **Chairperson David Psolka** stated that the events are the 2nd Saturday of January, April, July, and October, from 8:00 AM to 12 noon, except for July when it is from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM. **Vice Chair Kim Hamersley** asked if other volunteers can help and was told yes. **Joel Olea** said it is usually about 3 volunteers to every City employee.

OLD BUSINESS

Five-Year Plan: None

Reports: None

Adopt-a-Street Updates: **Martin Agundez** said that in May there were two (2) clean-ups, Fed Ex, 32nd Street from 4E to 5E, and Norred Foundation, 4th Avenue from 16th

Street to 24th Street. There were no events in June. The Commission discussed doing their Adopt-A-Street cleanup, and decided to do it on August 6th. They will meet at the Food City parking lot on 8th Street at 5:45 AM.

Status of Current Events

Staff Updates: Joel Olea thanked **Vice Chair Kim Hamersley** for her help with his paper to present to **City Council** regarding Fleet Operations. **Joel Olea** presented **JoAnne Mowczko** with an award which is being given to her from City Council, since she was unable to attend the Council Meeting. It is for her work on the City of Yuma Tree Board.

Joel Olea said they have received positive responses on the Barkley Ranch entrance where xeriscape was used. They will follow up with pictures at the next meeting.

JoAnne Mowczko said that the shrubs on 28th were trimmed too low and some are dying. **Joel Olea** said they are monitoring it, and keeping the shrubs watered.

Joel Olea pointed out the new contact list with updated information for the Commissioners.

Commissioner Reports: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

JoAnne Mowczko asked about an orientation book for the Commissioners. **Kim Beltran** said she would have them ready for the next meeting.

Vice Chair Kim Hamersley asked if it would be possible for them to do two Mini Beautification Projects every year instead of just one. **Joel Olea** said it would have to be coordinated with Public Works and the schools in order to fit all the work for two projects into a year. It would also depend on what is in the budget.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by JoAnne Mowczko, and motion was seconded by Donald Strickland to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



David Psolka, Chairperson



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