

**City of San Diego
Community Forest Advisory Board**

MEETING MINUTES
February 8, 2012
Civic Center Plaza Building

- 1) **Convene:** Jon Becker, Vice Chair, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.
- 2) **Present:**
Members –Fausto Palafox, Robin Rivet, Jon Becker, Craig Jones, Mary Johnson, Joe Jones,
[Not Present] – Vicki Estrada, Victoria Heithaus, Stephen Lamprides, Tershia d’Elgin.
Guests – Guy Pruess (Skyline/Paradise Hills CPG), Susan Shean, Stephanie S., Ty Sterns and
Kathlyn Rameriz (Urban Corps)
City Staff – Michael Marika, Drew Potocki, Alex Hempton, Andrea Demich, Jeff Harkness,
Andrew Field
- 3) **Approval of October Minutes:** Approved without changes. [J.Jones/ Johnson]
- 4) **Chair’s Announcements:** none
- 5) **Working Group Reports:** none
- 6) **Discussion Item(s):**
 - a. Process and criteria for reporting tree and landscape violations within and outside the public right-of-way. Hempton reported that Code compliance has an online form for reporting violations. Discussion continued about budget issues relating to compliance violations, and tree warden position vacancy.
 - b. Arbor Day Planning.
- 7) **Action Item(s):**
 - a. CFAB Emergency Report approval tabled to next meeting to give time for members to provide additional comments.
 - b. Street Tree Selection Guide revisions approval tabled to next meeting.
 - c. Shall the Board contact Streets Division to request filling tree warden vacancy? Approved [Palafox /J.Jones]
- 8) **Reports:** Items *not* already on agenda
 - a. Board Member Reports
 - Rivet – ATAC county tree map launch updates; upcoming Cal-Fire funding sources and CCSE’s goals for the future of urban forestry in the region.
 - b. City Staff Reports
 - Andy Field, Assistant Deputy Director Park and Recreation - Overview of Maintenance Assessment Districts (MAD) roles and responsibilities.

- c. City Planning Reports: none
- d. Urban Corps Report – Ty Sterns recommends that CFAB join California Re-Leaf. Reviewed benefits.

9) **Public Comment:** Susan Shehan identified problems with the Serra Mesa/Mission Center road expansion vs. protected Canary Island Pines and Parkway Resource trees.

10) **Referrals to Committees:** none

11) **Adjourned** at 1:25 p.m.