City of San Diego Community Forest Advisory Board

MEETING MINUTES August 11, 2010 Civic Center Plaza Building

1) **Convene:** Vicki Estrada, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:51 a.m.

2) **Present:**

Members – Patrick Caughey, Fausto Palafox, Dan Simpson, Karen Davis, Victoria Heithaus, Stephen Lamprides, Craig Jones, Mary Johnson, Joe Jones, Tershia d'Elgin.

[Not Present] - Gail Roberts, Jon Becker,

<u>Guests</u> – Guy Pruess (Skyline/Paradise Hills CPG), Andrea Demich (City Storm Water Dept.) <u>City Staff</u> –Michael Marika, Tony Gangitano, Alissa Gabriel, Jeff Harkness

3) **Approval of March, April, and May Minutes:** Approved [J.Jones/d'Elgin].

4) Chair's Announcements:

a. Welcome City Storm Water representative Andrea Demich. Department is looking to implement storm water treatment tree boxes. Also doing a few "rain garden" plantings and other pilot projects. Challenges are not planting trees, but rather maintaining them.

5) **Discussion Item(s):**

- a. Results of Wednesday July 21, 2010 NR&C meeting presentation. http://granicus.sandiego.gov/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=14&clip_id=4208 at 1:36:00
- b. Tree City USA accreditation status. Reviewed requirements for look at what is possible under new organization. How important is the title "Urban Forester"? The Tree Inventory report is required and could be done again.
- c. Feedback on trees in Council Districts. Ideas discussed include creating canopy goals for each CD.
- 6) **Action Item(s):** Motion to draft a modification to existing General Development Regulations Article 2 §142.0401 Purpose of Landscape Regulations to un-exempt single-family homes. [Heithaus/__] Approved.
- 7) **Reports:** Items <u>not</u> already on agenda: none
- 8) Working Group Reports: none
- 9) **Public Comment:** 1) Board members discussed retreat/weekend workshop options. 2) G.Preuss reported "tree" planting on Rio Drive. Change of Land Development Code affects tree planting requirement.
- 10) **Adjourned** at 1:17pm