

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

MEETING MINUTES  
April 11, 2012  
Civic Center Plaza Building

1) **Convene:** Anne Fege, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

2) **Present:**

Members – Anne Fege, Fausto Palafox, Robin Rivet, Jon Becker, Jake Banfield-Weir, Mary Johnson, Joe Jones.

[Not Present] – Victoria Heithaus, Stephen Lamprides, Craig Jones, Tershia d’Elgin.

Guests – Guy Pruess (Skyline/Paradise Hills CPG), Ty Sterns (Urban Corps), James Brown (Public Architecture)

City Staff – Michael Marika, Drew Potocki, Andrea Demich, Jeff Harkness

3) **Approval of March Minutes:** Approved with edits. [Becker/Jones]

4) **Chair’s Announcements**

5) **Working Group Reports:**

- a. Outreach/Education – Palafox and Fege presented draft slideshow for council member and community meetings. Feedback was provided by the board.
- b. Funding/Partnerships – Banfield-Weir gave a report on the working groups first analyses of the urban forest budget since 2005, based on documents posted on City webpages.
- c. Policies/Programs – Becker reported that the group was in the process of assembling and reviewing various forestry policies such as the Tree Selection Guide, tree ordinances and guidelines, municipal code, council policies, etc.

6) **Reports:** Items *not* already on agenda

d. Board Member Reports

- Becker – Twelve new trees planted in the LMAD.
- Rivet – Online county tree map featured in last week’s Union Tribune.
- Fege – Reported that CCDC has proposed replacing dozens of magnolias along Broadway with Medjool date palms, as part of a SanDAG-financed project for Bus Rapid Transit on Broadway.

e. City Staff Reports

- Potocki – La Jolla eucalyptuses removed and will be replaced soon with undetermined species.
- Marika – Two new *Ficus* trees were added to the Morley Field grove through a donation from Seth Menser and the San Diego Zoo. One is *Ficus bubu* from Africa and the other one is *Ficus socotrana (vasta)*, from Socotra Island in the India Ocean.

f. Urban Corps Report. Sterns reports that UC is working with the City to replace trees missing throughout the city. They have over 400 addresses on the list.

7) **Action Item(s):** none

8) **Discussion Item(s):**

- a. Copies of approved heritage tree (forms) under the 2005 Council Policy on Public Tree Protection. Potocki brought some examples of how the forms are filled out.
- b. Arbor Day activities scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

9) **Public Comment:**

- James Brown came to the board to ask for help with using a current public-right-of-way planting permit to plant fruit trees in Logan Heights.
- Guy Preuss wants the board to give their education/outreach presentation to the planning groups and Community Planners Committee.

10) **For Next Meeting:** Update on San Diego Apps Challenge.

11) **Adjourned** at 1:15 p.m.