



**CITY OF SAN DIMAS
EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
AGENDA**

Tuesday, March 4, 2014
6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers Conference Room
245 E. Bonita Ave.

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
 - 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2014**
 - 3. TRAIL CLEAN-UP COORDINATION – APRIL 5TH**
 - 4. REVIEW UPDATED COMMISSIONERS HANDBOOK**
 - 5. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGERS REPORT**
 - 6. CITY COUNCIL REPORT**
 - 7. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE**
 - 8. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**
 - 9. ADJOURNMENT**

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EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
January 7, 2014
City Council Chambers Conference Room

PRESENT: Chair Marca DeMonaco
Vice Chair Sonya Sevier
Commissioner Rebecca Pike
Commissioner Claudia Cook
Commissioner Yvette Picconi

Councilman Jeff Templeman
Assistant City Manager Ken Duran

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair DeMonaco.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 5, 2013

Commissioner Pike made a motion to approve the minutes of November 5, 2013 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sevier and approved by unanimous vote.

TRAIL CLEAN-UP 2014 - DATE

Mr. Duran reported that looking at the calendar, Saturday, April 5th looks like the only available Saturday in April for the trail clean-up. The Commission agreed with April 5th and a rain date of May 3rd. They agreed to coordinate the event at their March meeting.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Duran reported that the proposed project to change the zoning on the San Dimas Equestrian Center property is moving forward through the review process. He added that a formal application has been submitted and the developer is working on environmental information. He reminded the Commission that the matter will be brought to them for formal review at a future meeting.

Mr. Duran reported that the City has been awarded a grant by the County, through Supervisor Antonovich, for the phase 1 improvements for the Walnut Creek Open Space. He added that the environmental review should begin this month with construction beginning in the Fall.

Mr. Duran reported that the issue with the width of the trail for the Brasada development has been resolved with the developer agreeing to build the trail to the standard 8' width.

He added that City staff is finalizing plan checks on the grading, drainage and landscape plans and that there have been no new discussions on the south 40 property.

Mr. Duran reported that the homeowners association has taken maintenance responsibility for the trail and wooden fence on west Baseline. Commissioner Pike commented that the fence and trail looks better.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Templeman reported Council's review of a revision to the Municipal Code to allow backyard chickens. He added that at the public hearing there was public input that allowing three chickens was not the right number, and they should be in pairs and that some of the language was confusing. He added that when it was brought back to the City Council they directed staff to start over to make the language more clear. He also added that he felt that larger lots should be allowed more chickens and that the keeping of other animals should also be considered.

Councilman Templeman reported that there is a public hearing before the City Council next week to consider a 15 bed care facility on Puente Ave.

Councilman Templeman reported that the City is receiving submittals for the restaurant use at the Walker House.

Chair DeMarco asked if properties that currently have more than three chickens would be grandfathering in. Mr. Duran clarified that the proposed chicken regulation would not apply to single family agricultural lots that already allow for more than three chickens.

Chair DeMarco commented that there seems to be more coyotes in the community. Mr. Duran explained the Fish and Wildlife Department guidelines regarding not trapping or exterminating coyotes. There was some discussion on how issues of wildlife are addressed by the Inland Valley Humane Society and the Fish and Wildlife Department.

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

None.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Cook commented that in prior meetings it was mentioned that new storm water regulations may impact the runoff of horse urine from trails. She commented that for the most part horses don't urinate on the trails that most horses wait until they get back to their stalls to urinate. Councilman Templeman explained the process of storm water permit and that the City is developing a plan to comply.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. to the next regular scheduled meeting on March 4, 2014.