

EQUESTRIAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
March 1, 2016
Council Chambers Conference Room

PRESENT: Chair Yvette Picconi
Vice Chair Lindsey Merritt
Commissioner Leslie Medlin
Commissioner Sonya Sevier
Commissioner Marca DeMonaco

Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Templeman
Assistant City Manager Ken Duran

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2016

Commissioner DeMonaco made a motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 2016 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sevier and passed unanimously.

TRAIL CLEAN-UP DATE AND COORDINATION

Mr. Duran reminded the Commissioners that the trail clean-up is scheduled for April 30th with a rain date of May 7th. Commissioners DeMonaco and Medlin agreed to shop for the food supplies. Commissioner Picconi volunteered to take flyers to the high school and make the announcement a City Council meeting.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Duran reported that City staff has been working with representatives of the residents adjacent to the Walnut Creek Open Space to understand and attempt to address their concerns. He added that they have come up with a modified plan and shared it with the community at an open house two weeks ago. Over 400 people attended and filled out surveys. Staff is reviewing the feedback from the surveys and on the next steps.

Mr. Duran reported that the application for a proposed housing project at the Oak Valley Equestrian Center site has been submitted and will be before the Commission at their May meeting. He commented that Commissioners Merritt and Sevier do have legal conflicts in participating in the discussion but may consider recusing themselves because of a perceived conflict. He added that a complete application has not yet been submitted for the proposed housing project at the former San Dimas Equestrian Center site.

Mr. Duran reported that City has been working out the details of the Agreement with NJD for property and trails on the south 40 acres of the Brasada project. He added that the City is still in the running for a \$150,000 state grant to provide additional trail connection from the trails in the south 40 acres to Horsethief Canyon Park.

Mr. Duran reported that Foothill bridge project is nearing completion and the Foothill trail has been reopened.

Mr. Duran reported that the update of the trails map has been put on hold until the decisions have been made on the south 40 trails and Walnut Creek so they can be included on the map.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Templeman reported that he attended the Sheriff's Department annual volunteer recognition dinner and that there are 150 volunteers at the San Dimas Station.

He reported that last week the City conducted a week long downtown planning process and provided some samples of ideas that were brought up.

He also reported on the Walnut Creek Open Space open house and is glad to see the project toned down and that he does not feel the area should be over developed.

He also reported that the downtown streetscape project should be out to bid soon.

MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

Rebecca Pike commented that the Poison Oak trail is in good shape and has held up well during the rain storms.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

No comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.