

Minutes of the
Special Tree Committee Meeting
 Wednesday, September 28, 2016
 Blaisdell Community Center
 440 S. College Avenue, Claremont, CA

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Henderson at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Henderson and Kane

LATE ARRIVALS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Marsenich

ALSO PRESENT: Roger Bradley, Community Services Director
 Michele Gonzales, Sr. Administrative Assistant
 Ian Gray, Arborist
 David Roger, Consultant

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Henderson invited public comment. There were no requests to speak.

Routine Administrative Items

1. **Approval of the Tree Committee Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2016**

Chair Henderson invited public comment. There were no requests to speak.

Commissioner Kane moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, seconded by Chair Henderson, and carried on a vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Henderson and Kane
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Marsenich

◆◆◆END OF CONSENT CALENDAR◆◆◆

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

2. **Claremont University Consortium Request for Removal of Eight Trees Along Claremont Boulevard**

Consultant Dave Roger presented the staff report and a PowerPoint presentation.

Consultant Roger said there would be about 100 new trees planted as part of this project and the 16 replacement trees would be 48" box trees.

Commissioner Kane asked if a 48" box tree is bigger than the normal size that the City plants.

Consultant Roger said yes, the City usually plants 24" box trees.

Chair Henderson invited public comment.

Jacob Patterson asked if all of the replacement trees would be City trees. He also said that this sounds like a reasonable proposal.

There were no further requests to speak.

Consultant Roger said that yes, all of the replacement trees would be City trees.

Commissioner Kane asked if the replacement trees will all be the same species that are being removed.

Mr. Roger said that he is not sure yet. He said that with the new designated street tree list there may be other choices.

Commissioner Henderson moved that the Tree Committee recommend that the Community and Human Services Commission recommend to the City Council to:

- A. Approve the request to remove and replace eight trees along Claremont Blvd as part of the Claremont University Consortium's East Campus Project;**
- B. Require that the 8 trees being removed be replaced with 16 trees, double the removal amount, on the East Campus Project site with no less than 48" box trees; and**
- C. Require that the Claremont University Consortium bear all costs for the removal of the 8 trees and the replacement of the 16 trees.**

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kane and carried on a vote that follows:

AYES: Commissioner Henderson and Kane
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Marsenich

3. Request for Tree Removal - 420 Holyoke Place

Consultant Roger presented the staff report and showed some pictures of the tree. He said that the homeowners originally submitted their request for the tree to be removed in April 2016. The City's Community Development Department was going to be doing a street slurry project in their area and staff wanted to wait to inspect the roots of the tree at that time