

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

The Commission received and filed this report.

5. El Barrio Park Improvements

Deputy Director Roger presented the report and a PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Roger introduced the landscape designer Chris Soltis of Soltis Landscape.

Mr. Soltis talked about the project and the sustainability aspects of it. He said there are decomposed granite parkways, low water usage plants, and turf reduction. Mr. Soltis said there will also be enhanced lighting in the park.

Commissioner Brower asked about the basketball courts and the wading pool.

Mr. Soltis said the basketball courts will remain the same; they are used frequently.

Deputy Director Vollaro said that the wading pool will be used for rentals only.

Chair Kane invited public comment.

Bob Gerecke asked how the City is going to keep people away from the wading pool when it is not in use.

Deputy Director Vollaro said the wading pool will be empty unless it is being rented for private events.

There were no further requests to speak.

Commissioner Forester moved to approve the design concept for the El Barrio Park Improvements, seconded by Commissioner Scott Toux, and carried on a vote as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Brower, Forester, Kane, Munson, Scott Toux, and Silva
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

6. Liquidambar Tree Assessment

Deputy Director Roger presented the report and a PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Roger talked about the bacterial disease, Xylella, and how it affects the Liquidambar trees.

Mr. Roger answered questions from the Commission about the Liquidambar trees and the disease.