

CITY OF BERKLEY

BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

6:30 P.M. Pinspiration 2733 Coolidge Highway

PRESENT: Dan Mihaescu (Chair)
Stephen Bard (Secretary)
Jeremy Coan
Jennifer Hance
Anela Mihaescu

IN ATTENDANCE: Natalie Price (City Council Liaison)

EXCUSED Nick Armstrong
ABSENCES: Jim Fritsch
Charlene Kondrat
Jennifer Smitterberg

ABSENCES: Kara Damphousse

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
2. Discuss Annual Tree Walk - Post Summary
3. Discuss Future Potential Projects
4. Staff Liaison Discussion
5. Schedule Next Meeting
6. Adjourn

The Committee resolved to approve the Agenda.

MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – June 23, 2021

MOTION: Moved by Dan to approve Minutes of the previous meeting.

Motion supported by Anela.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Committee resolved to approve Minutes of the previous meeting as a true and correct record as printed.

2. DISCUSS RESULTS OF ANNUAL TREE WALK – POST SUMMARY

- a. Excellent participation and response to the 2021 Annual Tree Walk
- b. Estimated approximately 90% of City was covered
- c. As of Monday July 12th, 372 residents responded they would like a tree relative to the 200 trees budgeted for the program
- d. Trees will be planted on a first requested, first served basis. Two hundred trees are planned to be planted in the fall of 2021 and the remainder will be planted in the following year

3. DISCUSS FUTURE POTENTIAL PROJECTS

The Committee discussed possible future projects including:

- 1) Fundraising and deploying resources to residents in need of property upkeep
- 2) Beautification/Landscape Contest (Tour)
- 3) Seed Catalog exchange/giveaway
- 4) Eleven Mile between Coolidge and Greenfield beautification focus
- 5) Park beautification

4. Discussion of Staff Liaison

- a. Natalie informed the Committee that the City will be filling a newly created Facilities and Operations - Director position
- b. The Committee responded this position would be an appropriate fit as a staff liaison for the BBAC and would welcome the individual to facilitate communication on relevant topics

In response to a question raised in the previous BBAC meeting, Natalie apprised the Committee that park equipment is selected using best practices and all parks' equipment is appropriate for children in the 4–12-year-old range. In addition, each park has a specific focus based on that park's current users.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

Committee agreed that the next meeting of the Beautification Advisory Committee to take place on Wednesday, August 25th, 2021 commencing at 6:30 PM on the second floor of the public safety building.

6. ADJOURN

MOTION: Moved by Dan Mihaescu to adjourn the meeting.

Motion supported by Jeremy Coan.

Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 P.M.

Minutes prepared by: Stephen Bard (Secretary), August 24th, 2021