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CITY OF CHICO
BIDWELL PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION (BPPC)

Regular Meeting Agenda

May 20, 2019, **6:00 pm**

City Council Chambers - 421 Main Street

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1. REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

- 1.1. Call to Order
- 1.2. Roll Call
- 1.3. Special Recognition – Klean Kanteen

2. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are to be considered routine and enacted by one motion.

2.1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: Approve minutes of BPPC meeting held on 4/29/19.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT – IF ANY

4. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS NONE

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1. CONSIDERATION OF TEICHERT PONDS UPDATE AND PEACE PARK PROPOSAL

At the 2/25/19 BPPC meeting, Dick Cory gave a brief presentation during Business From the Floor about designating Teichert Ponds as a “Peace Park” and making improvements to the pond based on the Teichert Ponds Restoration Habitat Development Plan that was approved in 2008.

Recommendation: The BPPC is requested to provide direction to Staff on future Teichert Ponds projects, and consider Mr. Cory's proposal for Teichert Ponds to be recognized and promoted as a City of Chico Peace Park designation.

5.2. UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED 2019-20 PARK AND STREET TREE DIVISION BUDGETS

At its 3/25/19 meeting, Staff provided the BPPC draft 2019-20 proposed budgets for the Park and Street Tree Divisions based on the Council adopted 2018-2019 budgets for these Divisions. Staff will update the Commission on the City Manager Recommended 2019-20 budgets that will be considered by the City Council on 5/21/19.

Recommendation: None, this is an informational item only.

5.3. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT FROM THE 5/8/19 POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

As directed by the BPPC on 4/29/19, the Policy Advisory Committee discussed defining the scope of vegetation management projects or activities that should be considered by the BPPC, and what projects or activities should be considered routine maintenance.

Recommendation: The Committee recommended that the BPPC approve the following:

1. Staff to prepare for BPPC consideration an annual work plan outlining vegetation management activities and projects proposed each year.
2. Status updates on the work plan activities and projects to be provided as part of the BPPC Park and Tree Division reports at the monthly BPPC regular meetings.

5.4. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT FROM THE 5/15/19 NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING

At its 5/15/19 meeting, the Natural Resource Committee (NRC) continued discussion of options to renovate the area near the Nature Center, and discussed the development of an overall Vegetation Management Plan for Bidwell Park and other City parks and greenways.

Recommendation: The Committee recommended (3-0) that the BPPC approve the following:

1. Cordoning off the Nature Center area for now to see what grows in the area and to install signs indicating it is a restoration area.
2. Conducting a survey of the area to develop a baseline vegetation site map.
3. Developing a plan to restore the area as a Valley Oak Woodland demonstration site, with planting to occur in the Fall.
4. Consider planting acorns, seedlings, and 15-gallon trees to determine the effectiveness of the different sized trees.
5. Post signs and notify the Nature Center when spraying herbicides in the area.
6. Once the restoration is complete, developing plant identification signs and other educational components using a portion of the in-lieu tree planting funds.

6. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Members of the public may address the Commission at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda; comments are limited to three minutes. The Commission cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

These items are provided for the Commission's information. Although the Commission may discuss the items, no action can be taken at this meeting. Should the Commission determine that action is required, the item or items may be included for action on a subsequent posted agenda.

7.1. Parks Division Report – Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager.

7.2. Street Tree Division Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager.

7.3. Park & Natural Resources Manager Report (*Verbal Report*), if applicable

8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on 6/24/19 at **6:00 p.m. (please note new meeting time)** in the Council Chamber of the Chico Municipal Center building located at 421 Main Street, Chico, California.



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