



**Recreation and Park Commission**  
**Davis Senior Center Valente Room, 646 A Street**  
**Thursday, April 16, 2015**  
**MINUTES**

Commission Members Present: Ira Bray (Chair), Dawn Einwalter, Emily Griswold, Francis Resta, Travie Westlund, and Will Arnold,

Commission Members Absent: Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald (Vice Chair), Katerina Robinson

Council Liaison Present: None

Staff Present: Christine Helweg, David Luckscheider, and Samantha Wallace

Chair Ira Bray called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

A motion was made by W. Arnold, seconded by T. Westlund to approve the agenda, and approved by consensus.

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2015.**

A motion was made by T. Westlund, seconded by W. Arnold to approve the agenda and approved by consensus.

**3. Public Comments**

None.

**4. Written Communications**

Superintendent Helweg reviewed upcoming City and community events.

**5. Review Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program and 2014 Annual Report**

Martin Guerena, IPM Specialist, reviewed the 2014 Annual IPM Report and specifically reviewed pesticide usage for parks and greenbelts.

W. Arnold – Wanted to know if the Round up dilution was accounted for in pesticide use reports, and Martin responded “yes”. Wanted to know if the Commission would be involved in identifying potential turf reduction areas – answer was as feasible.

D. Einwalter – question about the public’s reaction to the publication of Phaer zone maps – no real significant concerns expressed.

E. Griswold - no insecticides have been used for about 3 years, limited herbicides are anticipated with turf renovations. Reasonable expectation of increases in pesticides as a result of turf conversions.

**6. Presentation of Draft Water Conservation/Drought Response Plan.**

Superintendent Helweg and Parks Manager, David Luckscheider, reviewed the water conservation measures that the Department has in place since spring 2014, and then provided information on additional water restrictions that may be proposed to City Council pending further water reduction mandates.

T. Westlund – Concerned about small bubblers on trees along Moore Blvd.

F. Resta – Liked the depth of report, landscape contractor - smoothers beds with less pine needles, distressed trees dropping cones unformed.

I. Bray – GIS Map use

F. Resta – Concerned about residents not conserving, would like to see more incentives for water conserving appliances.

T. Westlund – Further restrictions may limit future development.

E. Griswold – Heavy duty pruning further stresses plants;

- Dead and dying plants (modify bullet)
- Grey water retrofits for public facilities
- Water to pond areas
- Would like to see a cost estimate developed for renovation areas

D. Einwalter – More hard hitting signage around the community priority for trees.

W. Arnold – Turf in Greenbelt need to go Anderson and Catalina;

- Priority for rental facilities to showcase new landscaping
- Ad space in enterprise
- Add
- Daviswater.org – refer to Stacey
- Cable car washing – recycled water

I. Bray – No water conservation on front page.

Presentation was not very effective no actions specified page 12 restroom water fixes.

**7. Designate Commission Representative to serve as Liaison to the Finance and Budget Commission for 2015 Calendar Term.**

A motion to appoint Commissioner Westlund was made by W. Arnold, seconded by F. Resta. The motion passed unanimously.

**8. Review and Discussion of Toad Hollow Dog Park.**

A motion to defer the discussion until next month was made by W. Arnold, seconded by E. Griswold and approved unanimously.

**9. Commissioner Comments.**

T. Westlund – Brooks painting if offering their community painting project, which includes painting of a public facility up to a maximum of \$10,000– nominate Explorit 4/29 deadline vote online.

**10. Liaison Reports**

- City Council Liaison – no report
- Finance & Budget Commission – No report
- OSHC – D.Einwalter discussed a proposal that had been presented by the Friends of the North Davis Ponds

E. Griswold – Civic Arts Commission

- o Alluvial in Walnut Park
- o Woodbridge Greenbelt Shelter

**11. Staff Reports/Updates**

Superintendent Wallace – SCD approved motion to dissolve, a new CIP is anticipated to be approved by City Council on May 19, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Christine Helweg

Parks & Community Services Superintendent