

**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH****Parks, Beaches & Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
February 3, 2026 – 5:00 p.m.**

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**I. CONVENE MEETING OF THE PARKS BEACHES & RECREATION COMMISSION TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.****II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Anne Yelsey, Chair  
Amy Waunch, Vice Chair  
Diane Daruty, Commissioner  
Keira Kirby, Commissioner  
Kate Malouf, Commissioner  
Travis Piridy, Commissioner

Absent: Hassan Archer, Commissioner (excused)

Staff: Sean Levin, Recreation & Senior Services Director  
Justin Schmillen, Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director  
John Salazar, Acting Deputy Public Works Director  
Kevin Pekar, Parks and Trees Superintendent  
John Nelson, City Arborist  
Mariah Stinson, Administrative Support Specialist  
Yolanda Summerhill, Assistant City Attorney

**III. PRESENTATION****A. Presentation to Community Service Award Recipient Dr. Sean Boulton**

*Recognizing Dr. Sean Boulton for his 11 years of contribution and leadership serving as principal at Newport Harbor High School (NHHS). He has been instrumental in numerous projects, including the renovations of Davidson Field and Bill Barnett Swimming and Aquatics Center, and has been recognized by his peers and the district at large for creating programs that enrich students' lives.*

Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Justin Schmillen announced that Dr. Sean Boulton is being presented with a Community Service Award for his 11 years of leadership as Principal at Newport Harbor High School (NHHS).

Recreation & Senior Services Director Sean Levin reported that Dr. Boulton also worked at other schools in the Newport-Mesa Unified School District (NMUSD) prior to NHHS and has been a great partner for the City, including hosting the annual summer swimming program and annual track and field meet at NHHS.

Dr. Boulton noted that he has been the Principal at NHHS for 13 years.

Commissioner Kirby reported that she is also an NHHS staff member, adding that Dr. Boulton's arrival at NHHS led to many positive changes. She commended his commitment to community involvement beyond just NHHS, including his work in coordinating assistance with needed resources during the pandemic's shutdowns.

Commissioner Pirdy congratulated Dr. Boulton on the award, adding that his work is inspiring as a developing educator himself. He lauded Dr. Boulton's positive role during a time of community need in 2018, adding that his peers at NHHS say very good things about Dr. Boulton.

Vice Chair Waunch stated that she is an NHHS alumna whose children graduated from NHHS during Dr. Boulton's tenure. She expressed her appreciation for how approachable and relatable he is to students.

Chair Yelsey agreed with her peers.

Commissioner Malouf noted that Dr. Boulton has made a great impact in shaping Newport Beach's youth community beyond just NHHS. She read letters of appreciation from Dr. Boulton's two children. She thanked Dr. Boulton for his service, dedication, and continued inspirational impact.

Dr. Boulton thanked the commissioners for the award. He stated that the strength of the community is present in the room, thanking many NHHS faculty members and NMUSD Board members for their attendance. He noted the many NHHS ties on the Commission as being emblematic of the strong tradition of success behind NHHS. He accepted his award.

**IV. NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

None

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Minutes of the Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commission Meeting of December 2, 2025**

*Recommendation: Waive reading of subject minutes, approve and order filed.*

**B. MOD Activity Report**

*Recommendation: Receive/file Report of past and upcoming projects and events.*

**C. RSS Activity Report**

Recommendation: *Receive/file Report of past and upcoming projects and events.*

Chair Yelsey opened public comment, and there was none.

**Motion by Chair Yelsey**, seconded by Commissioner Malouf, to approve Item VI. CONSENT CALENDAR.

**The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

## **VII. CURRENT BUSINESS**

### **A. Reforestation Request – 2660 Vista del Oro (Front 1)**

Recommendation: *Consider the reforestation request of a Gold-Medallion tree (Cassia leptophylla) located at 2660 Vista del Oro due to concerns with the current tree.*

*The applicant, Mr. Greg Brawley (residing at 2658 Vista del Oro), has provided the required association board meeting minutes along with the association board signature of approval to remove and replace the tree. If approved by the Commission, there will be a one-for-one replacement with a Forest Pansy (Cercis canadensis 'Forest Pansy') 36-inch box tree installed at the applicant's cost.*

City Arborist John Nelson reported that the item is a reforestation request for a gold medallion tree by Mr. Greg Brawley at 2658 Vista del Oro, clarifying that 2660 is an adjacent fictional address. He stated that the concerning issue is the tree blocking the view of the property's landscaping. He added that the long seed pods dropping onto the sidewalk and street are also a seasonal concern, along with the tree's poor aesthetics, and the potential for sidewalk damage. He stated that a forest pansy is the applicant's requested replacement tree, adding that it can be found in the neighborhood. He confirmed that residents within 500 feet of the tree were notified.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiries, City Arborist Nelson stated that the tree is probably 5-6 years old, adding that it was likely a replacement for a Brazilian pepper tree commonly found in the neighborhood. He stated that the previous tree is likely why a portion of the sidewalk was replaced but added that the City does not have enough mature gold medallions to confirm whether it is likely to lift the sidewalk in the future. He stated that the tree will likely be double its size at maturation. He stated that the City did not receive any neighbor feedback.

In response to Commissioner Malouf's inquiries, City Arborist Nelson clarified that he does not have records on hand of the current tree being a replacement. He stated that it is a vigorously growing species and likely slightly larger than what could be reasonably transplanted. He estimated that transplant survival odds would be 50-50.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiries, City Arborist Nelson reported that the neighborhood was developed in the 1960s with many Brazilian pepper trees that have been slowly replaced through attrition with gold medallions, forest pansies, purple orchids, sweetshade trees, and coast live oaks. He confirmed that there have been no previous complaints about the tree. He agreed that a tree of equal size would not solve the landscaping view issue but added that the request allows the City to relocate the tree to the east of 2660 Vista del Oro.

Chair Yelsey opened public comment, and there was none.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiry, City Arborist Nelson clarified that the issue is the reverse of what the Commission often hears, with the concern here being an impeded view of the home, as opposed to one from the home.

In response to Commissioner Daruty's inquiries, City Arborist Nelson clarified that the trees are not deliberately placed to avoid being in front of homes. He agreed that other trees in the neighborhood are taller, so a resident will see the trunk at eye level and not the canopy. He added that it is a younger tree that will still mature and grow.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, a staff member confirmed that the applicant is not at the meeting.

Chair Yelsey stated that this is a healthy tree in line with others in the neighborhood.

**Motion by Chair Yelsey**, seconded by Vice Chair Waunch, to deny the restoration request.

**The motion carried 5-0 with Commissioner Kirby abstaining.**

**B. Community Service Award – Karen Yelsey**

*Recommendation: Approve the Community Service Award recognition of Karen Yelsey to be awarded at a future PB&R Commission meeting.*

Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Justin Schmillen reported that staff recommends approval of a Community Service Award for Karen Yelsey for her contributions to the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) for NMUSD, and the Newport Beach Foundation. He added that Ms. Yelsey served on the NMUSD Board of Directors for 16 years, including four years as President, advocating for and supporting many community events, including the Newport Beach Special Olympics.

Commissioner Malouf expressed her unequivocal support for the item.

Chair Yelsey opened public comment, and there was none.

**Motion by Commissioner Daruty**, seconded by Commissioner Kirby, to approve the Community Service Award recognition of Karen Yelsey.

**The motion carried 5-0 with Chair Yelsey abstaining.**

- C. Reforestation Request – 1441 Sandcastle Dr. – Front 4(a), 4(b), and 5**  
*Recommendation: Consider the reforestation request of three Lemon-Scented Gum Eucalyptus (Corymbia citriodora) located at 1441 Sandcastle Drive due to various private property damage issues.*

*The applicant, Mr. Ammer Alselham (residing at 1441 Sandcastle Dr.), has provided the required association board meeting minutes along with the association board signature of approval to remove and replace the trees. If approved by the Commission, there will be a one-for-one replacement tree for each tree removed with Magnolia “Little Gem” (Magnolia grandiflora “Little Gem”) 36-inch box trees installed at the applicant’s cost.*

Parks and Trees Superintendent Kevin Pekar reported that this item is a reforestation request by Mr. Ammer Alselham of 1441 Sandcastle Dr. for three lemon-scented gum eucalyptus trees. He added that the home was extensively remodeled and newly occupied in 2025. He stated that the trees are in fair condition. He presented a video and photos submitted by the applicant showing issues related to the dropping leaves and branches, including stains on concrete and cars, adding that it is a typical complaint about lemon-scented gums.

Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar reported that the replacements would be little gem magnolias, which are required by the Harbor View Hills South Homeowners Association (HOA). He acknowledged that the City is having issues with little gem magnolias due to tuliptree scales but stated that he approves of the replacement species. He added that the applicant will pay for the removals and replacements, which were approved by the HOA. He confirmed that the City notified residents within 500 feet of the trees, receiving one request for confirmation that the resident will be paying for the work, and one phone call in opposition. He added that this is not the first reforestation request on Sandcastle Dr., with a previous one approved, and another one denied, both involving eucalyptus trees, and occurring years ago.

In response to Commissioner Malouf’s inquiries, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar reported that the trees are original to the community and are 55-60 years old, meaning that the trees likely have another 20 years of life. He stated that no preventative maintenance can stop larger branches from snapping off in Santa Ana winds, noting that the City does annual pruning on larger eucalyptus trees to prevent larger limb failures. He confirmed that the root system can cause infrastructure damage, adding that the City previously removed a tree from the property due to its declining health.

In response to Commissioner Piridy’s inquiry, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar clarified that little gem magnolias only grow to about a quarter of the size of the current eucalyptus trees, making it less likely for debris to land in the backyard during a high-wind event. He added that staff would likely put the three replacement

trees to the south of the driveway, so that falling fruit does not land on the driveway. He confirmed that the replacement trees would create significantly less debris.

In response to Commissioner Daruty's inquiries, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar reported that the previous approved reforestation request on Sandcastle Dr. was primarily due to documented property damage from breaking limbs. He confirmed that the City tries to get eucalyptus trees pruned in September and October ahead of the annual Santa Ana wind season.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiries, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar could not confirm which of the two trees closer to the driveway caused the vehicular damage, but theorized it is the one to the north of the driveway because the documented damage was on the passenger side of the car. He stated that older leaves dropping could cause discoloration. City Arborist Nelson confirmed that the damage seen to patio furniture fabric in one of the photographs is frass from a eucalyptus beetle's droppings, adding that the beetle is difficult to control. He confirmed that there is no easy fix to the beetles that are native to Australia but live much longer in Southern California's climate, adding that the City does not have enough resources to spray every eucalyptus in its inventory. Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar reported on eucalyptus trees treated by the City along Santa Ana Ave., finding that they cannot completely control the beetles, but they have been able to make improvements with treatments.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiries, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar stated that the two trees by the driveway are a moderate risk, and the one closer to the back yard is a low risk because there is more activity (targets) by the driveway and front door. He added that the City typically does not remove trees with a moderate rating. He reported that the trees typically start to see more serious limb drops in urban settings when they are 80 years old. He added that the blue gum eucalyptus trees by the Balboa Branch Library were 100 years old and started to develop rot in their trunks. He noted that the trees in question are 55-60 years old.

Chair Yelsey opened public comment.

Eddie, speaking for the applicant, reported that he was the project manager for the recent major reconstruction of the house. He noted that staff has already chronicled all the damages caused by the trees, adding that there is an additional photograph of a car suffering rooftop damage. He added that the sidewalk concrete and driveway are new as part of the reconstruction due to buckling from the roots of these trees. He reported that the driveway needs to be power washed weekly due to the staining of oily droppings that also damage the back yard.

Gary Dorf, a neighbor at 3735 Blue Key, stated that the trees are a hazard and pose danger from falling branches. He noted that, in 2011, a falling eucalyptus tree killed a woman in her car on Irvine Ave. He added that he will not walk past the applicant's house if it is windy due to the trees being unsafe.

Jacques de Villiers reported that he lives in the cul-de-sac across Sandcastle Dr. and expressed concerns about the safety of the eucalyptus trees due to the potential for falling branches. He added that he has had no problems with the little gem magnolia in his front yard.

Chair Yelsey closed public comment.

In response to Commissioner Malouf's inquiry, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar agreed that the health status and risk levels of the two trees by the driveway could be placed in doubt based on Eddie's report that the roots were trimmed during reconstruction. He clarified that the applicant and not the Public Works Department would have performed the root pruning work. He added that some root pruning can be done without endangering the tree and noted that sometimes, when the City tears up a lifted sidewalk, they find that it was something other than a root that caused the issue. He inquired if there were pictures of what the driveway looked like after the concrete was removed, adding that they would be important to see.

In response to Commissioner Daruty's inquiries, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar clarified that root pruning can be a requirement of rebuilding a home, depending on the need. He added that, if roots are pruned, the work crew is supposed to notify City staff for an inspection, and he has no evidence of whether it happened in this case or the extent of the root pruning. He added that staff will often remove trees during reconstructions if inspection shows that the roots cannot be safely pruned. He clarified that the City may have records of this work, but he would have to check with the Building Inspector. He estimated that there are about 20 of these original eucalyptus trees on Sandcastle Dr. He stated that the City found, after the fatal accident, that the whole Irvine Ave. median was compromised, and severely pruned roots were allowing the trees to develop rot.

In response to Vice Chair Waunch's inquiry, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar estimated that the trees are 50-60 feet tall.

Commissioner Malouf asked her peers if they would like to see additional evidence of the volume of root pruning done during reconstruction. She stated that the shallow root system of eucalyptus trees scares her, and it would be beneficial to have background information about how deeply the roots were pruned by the applicant.

Commissioner Kirby noted that the Commission cannot engage with the public at this moment. She stated that the Commission could continue the item to obtain more information about the pruning work on all three trees. She added that the damages being reported by the applicant are not entirely due to tree sap, but rather beetle droppings, and a continuance would allow the City to investigate potentially treating the trees instead of replacing them.

Commissioner Daruty requested additional information about the pruning from City staff in addition to the applicant.

Chair Yelsey agreed.

**Motion by Commissioner Kirby**, seconded by Commissioner Piridy, to continue the item with a request for more information about the scope of the root pruning.

**The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

**D. Proposed Revisions to Council Policy G-1 (Retention, Removal and Maintenance of City Trees)**

*Recommendation: Receive and file the proposed revisions to City Council Policy G-1 (Retention and Removal of City Trees) (Council Policy G-1) and provide any additional comments or revisions.*

Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin reported that Assistant City Attorney Yolanda Summerhill has been working with staff to update City Council Policy G-1.

Assistant City Attorney Summerhill reported that Policy G-1 establishes standards for retention and removal, along with reforestation of City trees, including categories for special, landmark, dedicated, neighborhood, problem, and standard trees. She stated that the City Council created an Ad Hoc Committee to review its policies, adding that this process happens every couple of years. She noted that staff experiences can help determine which policies may be convoluted and need paring.

Assistant City Attorney Summerhill clarified that there were not many substantive changes to Policy G-1 but rather it was reorganized for the benefit of all users. She reported that additions to the Policy include adding tuliptree scales or preventing a property owner from gaining fire insurance to the problem tree list. She added that property owners in a dense community requesting reforestation will have the petition area set at a maximum of 100 properties, notifications on standard and problem trees in non-emergency situations can be sent out seven days in advance and not 14, and the Commission is the final decision-making authority on appeals and reforestations. She reported that the special tree inventory was updated.

Assistant City Attorney Summerhill reported that some provisions of Policy G-1 are more appropriate for Policy G-6, so those covering the maintenance and planting of parkway trees have been relocated. She noted that resident Jim Mosher submitted written public comments on the changes, adding that some are appropriate and will be incorporated into the draft policies presented to the City Council.

In response to Commissioner Piridy's inquiry, City Arborist Nelson reported that reducing the notification window from 14 days to seven is focused on removals tied to sidewalk improvement projects, and this allows for easier contractor scheduling.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin clarified that what is being presented is the recommendation of the Council's

Ad Hoc Committee, along with the City Attorney's office. He added that they are looking for input on the draft Policy.

Commissioner Daruty stated that she needs more time to assess the changes. She requested an Ad Hoc Committee, echoing Commissioner Kirby's comments comparing the exercise to the recent feedback opportunity on General Plan updates.

Assistant City Attorney Summerhill stated that any areas where the Commission is comfortable commenting would be presented to the Council's AD Hoc Committee.

Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar responded to Commissioner Kirby's comments by stating that he is just now approving Phase 2 of the City's tree inventory and Street Tree Master Plan project. He added that by next year, the updated inventory would be available, and Policy G-1 could be revised again at that time.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar clarified that two-year revisions to Policy G-1 are standard, but it could be updated next year.

Chair Yelsey stated that it would be helpful to have a redlined copy of the current Policy to directly compare it with the draft edition to spot the changes more easily.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar reported that the Policy was completely reordered, making it difficult to present in a redlined side-by-side format.

Commissioner Daruty stated that she attempted to compare the versions of the Policy side-by-side, reporting that it took a long time. She added that this Policy is one of the most important things administered by the Commission and recommended creating an Ad Hoc Committee to give the changes proper vetting.

Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar clarified that the only five substantive revisions were the ones presented by Assistant City Attorney Summerhill, with the other large blocks of text being moved around in a copy-and-paste method. He noted that the current Policy has a lot of repetitive language that was eliminated, in addition to shifting maintenance-related items to Policy G-6. He added that he corrected many of the numbers relative to donations and special trees that were mentioned in Mr. Mosher's written comments.

Commissioner Kirby clarified that they are inquiring about forming an Ad Hoc Committee because of their zeal for doing a good job. She echoed Commissioner Daruty's comments about Policy G-1 being a big part of the Commission's responsibilities, so it needs to be examined more thoroughly than is possible in the week between receiving the Agenda packet and the meeting. She noted her day job and added that she would need more time to provide the desired level of feedback.

Chair Yelsey opened public comment.

Mr. Mosher agreed with the suggestion that the Commission should be able to provide its full complement of feedback instead of being asked to rubber-stamp the draft as presented. He questioned the validity of the statement that this draft is a recommendation of the City Council, adding that this increases the need for the Commission to carefully review the draft and provide suggestions. He decried that the draft Policy would allow no opportunity for the public to challenge the denial of a City-financed tree removal, with the only recourse to apply for a reforestation, which the applicant must also pay for. He stated that some of the relocated maintenance provisions apply to all trees and not only parkway trees. He stated that the Council has barely heard any appeals of tree removal decisions over the years, and the other four members of the Council may not agree with the three members on the AD Hoc Subcommittee's reluctance to hear appeals.

Chair Yelsey closed public comment.

In response to Commissioner Malouf's inquiry, Assistant City Attorney Summerhill stated that it is not on the meeting's Agenda to create an Ad Hoc Subcommittee. She added that this request can be brought back to the Council's Ad Hoc Committee and see if they still want to bring Policy G-1 to the Council as scheduled on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Chair Yelsey requested a more detailed outline of the changes. She added that she would be open to the Commission's thoughts on creating an Ad Hoc Committee.

Vice Chair Waunch agreed with the need for greater detail on the changes and recommended an ability to review the revisions later with a better understanding of what changed from the current Policy.

Assistant City Attorney Summerhill reported that staff did a lot of cut-and-paste work with the Policy. She added that staff could compile how the existing Policy evolved through the process to its current draft state.

Vice Chair Waunch stated that none of them want to rewrite the Policy but lamented that she feels ignorant of how it changed. She added that Assistant City Attorney Summerhill's proposal would be helpful.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin stated that he has not been directly involved in the process. He suggested, given the tone of the discussion, that the Commission have its response to the Council's Ad Hoc Committee be either a request to form its own Ad Hoc Committee, or to clarify the additional information the Commission seeks, with a timeframe for evaluation.

Commissioner Daruty endorsed the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to not only compare the two versions of the Policy, but also so the Commission can assess things it learned while applying the Policy since its last revision.

In response to Assistant City Attorney Summerhill's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin confirmed that the Commission next meets in March.

Commissioner Kirby stated that these conceptual discussions are motivated by having an abundance of care for the Commission's work.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiry, Assistant City Attorney Summerhill confirmed that the Commission can follow Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin's suggestion to request that they be allowed to create an Ad Hoc Committee.

Parks and Trees Superintendent Pekar noted that the Policy also serves as a tool for staff. He stated that City staff does not want to see it stripped of authority because they rely on Policy G-1 often, so it is an important matter to the staff.

Chair Yelsey stated that it seems like her peers want to request that the Council's Ad Hoc Committee allow the Commission the time to create its own Ad Hoc Committee.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, none of the commissioners indicated having another response option for the Council's Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

**Motion by Commissioner Kirby**, seconded by Commissioner Daruty, to request that the City Council's Ad Hoc Committee let the PB&R Commission know if it would be appropriate to create an Ad Hoc Committee to provide feedback on proposed changes to City Council Policy G-1.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

## **VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Schmillen reported that spring class registration opens on February 12<sup>th</sup>, and registration is open for the March 6<sup>th</sup> youth track and field meet at NHHS. He added that the City is expecting 300-350 children to participate in the track and field meet. He reported that the Mayor's Egg Race is slated for March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Center. He added that City staff, in partnership with youth sports organizations, recently installed 15 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) at youth sports fields in 12 different parks to help comply with the Nevaeh Youth Sports Safety Act (Assembly Bill 1467).

Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin reported that the City Council's Goal Setting Special Session on January 31<sup>st</sup> indicated that the Recreation & Senior Services Department will likely take over management of the Newport Beach Animal Shelter from the Newport Beach Police Department (NBPD). He added that, in a corresponding move, the Park Patrol's oversight would likely shift to the NBPD. He added that the transition will start shortly, with the moves likely becoming official on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

In response to Commissioner Malouf's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Director Levin stated that his department would still work closely with the Park Patrol, which would continue to service all the department's needs. He added that there will likely be monthly meetings, like those with the Parks Department, because so much of their work crosses over. He stated that the public is unlikely to notice a change with the internal administrative shifts.

In response to Chair Yelsey's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Schmillen reported that A.B. 1467 goes into effect on January 1, 2028, making the City almost two years ahead of schedule in its implementation.

In response to Vice Chair Waunch's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Schmillen stated that monthly battery checks are performed on the AEDs, and the pads expire every two years, requiring replacement.

In response to Commissioner Kirby's inquiry, Recreation & Senior Services Deputy Director Schmillen stated that there are no reports of the AEDs having to be utilized.

Commissioner Malouf commended City staff for how well youth sports have progressed over the years in Newport Beach. She noted that the AED discussion began when A.B. 1467 was passed in 2023, with a City goal to be ready well in advance of 2028. She stated that swapping oversight of the animal shelter and Park Patrol with the NBPD makes sense.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Mosher reported that there is an ongoing major reorganization of City departments, including the creation of a Municipal Operations Department to handle some matters previously overseen by Public Works. He reported that the Council, on January 31<sup>st</sup>, seemed interested in moving the NBPD headquarters into Civic Center Park, adding that the Commission should be asked for its thoughts on potentially losing the park space. He noted that the City Council's Ad Hoc Committee proposing changes to Policy G-1 and others was terminated on December 31, 2025, when the Resolution creating it expired. He noted that three Council Members do not speak for the entire City Council.

**X. ADJOURNMENT – 6:53 p.m.**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mariah Stinson, Administrative Support Specialist

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anne Yelsey, Chair