



CITY OF SANGER
TREE & LANDSCAPE COMMISSION
January 7, 2008

AGENDA

*6:00 PM Regular Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers*

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. ROLL CALL**
- C. FLAG SALUTE - Commissioner Sergent**
- D. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND / OR DELETIONS**
- E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on the agenda and within the area of responsibility of the Commission. It is the policy of the Commission not to answer any questions impromptu and complaints should be referred to the Director's office. Speakers should limit their comments to five minutes.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Minutes of December 3, 2007

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

H. DEPARTMENT REPORTS -

- 1. Commissioner terms of office & the need to write a letter to the Mayor & Council concerning desire to continue.
- 2. Discussion about Downtown Beautification (and inclusion of overhang recommendations within final report).

I. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS - None

*Madlyn Esquer, Commissioner
David Pinuelas, Commissioner*

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*Larry Lihosit
Planner/Commission Secretary*

Daniel Martinez, Chairperson

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*John White
Public Works Director*

*Raul Cantu, Commissioner
Gail Sergent, Commissioner*

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*John Mulligan
Deputy Public Works Director*

J. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

K. NEXT MEETING - February 4, 2007

L. ADJOURNMENT



CITY OF SANGER
TREE & LANDSCAPE COMMISSION
MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 2008

CITY OF SANGER
MINUTES OF THE TREE & LANDSCAPE COMMISSION
For December 3, 2007

The regular meeting of the Sanger Tree & Landscape Commission of December 3, 2007 was held in the Sanger City Hall Chamber at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Commissioners present were Daniel Martinez, Madlyn Esquer, David Pinuelas, and Gail Sergent. Raul Cantu arrived at 7:00 p.m.

Staff present included Larry Lihosit, Planner.

FLAG SALUTE: Chairperson Martinez led the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL/ADDITION: Agenda approved.

1. Motion to approve: Pinuelas
2nd: Esquer
Vote: 4-0 (approved)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Ed Cuadros, 15176 Annadale Avenue, Sanger. Requested that developers be required to install smart irrigation controllers on private property for residences. He said that this would reduce water usage by 30%. He left a magazine article about this. He also reported that the Parks & Recreation Commission had voted in favor of a joint meeting with all other commissions and the city council. He did not mention the proposed agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR: 1. Minutes, October 1, 2007.
Motion to approve: Pinuelas
2nd: Sergent
Vote: 4-0 (approved)

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: 1. Staff briefly reviewed the unadopted 2003 Streetscape Plan prepared by Paul Saito and also reported on city expenditures to beautify the Downtown.
2. Staff reported on the feasibility of requiring 3 trees planted for each removed. Conclusion: on private property lots are

too small. Within public right-of-way this would countermand recently adopted standards recommended by this commission. Commissioner Esquer suggested that citizens pay the city a fee for tree replacement when a tree is cut. Commissioner Pinuelas suggested that citizens who cut trees should be required to plant 2 or 3 trees on city property.

3. Staff reported that the Chief Building Official was aware of overhangs in the CBD and was monitoring the situation. Staff noted that based upon historical photos supplied by Commissioner Esquer, the CBD had no permanent overhangs during the 1930's. There was a brief discussion if the overhangs might obstruct an appreciation of the historic architecture within the CBD. Commissioner Cantu reported that downtown associations in other cities have been successful with beautification. Consensus: staff to prepare a recommendation for the City Council.
4. Staff modified its recommendation to delineate the downtown. It proposed that the commission use the General Plan designated area. Staff also proposed a 5 point process towards making specific recommendations to the City Council. Consensus: use the General Plan designation and move forward with the 5 point process.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: None.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

1. Commissioner Cantu –Apologized for being late to meeting. Reported that he would speak to the Chamber of Commerce about forming a Downtown Beautification Association.
2. Commissioner Sergent None.
3. Commissioner Martinez –None.
4. Commissioner Esquer –Reported that there are no more blossoms on Jensen Avenue which is part of the Blossom Trail.
5. Commissioner Pinuelas –Instead of bringing in a Christmas tree each year, why not use the existing live tree in Brehler Square?

NEXT MEETING: January 7, 2008 at 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Motion to adjourn:	Cantu
2nd:	Esquer
Vote:	5-0 (adjourn)



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