

# **CITY OF FOLSOM**

## **Landscaping & Lighting Districts Advisory Committee**

### **Minutes**

**September 19, 2024**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Folsom Community Center**  
**R.G. Smith Room**  
**52 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630**  
**(916) 461-6675**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER L&L DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Josh Baker (Cobble Hills Ridge / Reflections II) called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

Members in attendance were Josh Baker (Cobble Hills Ridge / Reflections II), Joe Marceau (Natoma Station), Allen Brown (American River Canyon North), Patty Soulsby (Blue Ravine Oaks), Benjamin Mattocks (Prospect Ridge), Edward Myers (Broadstone 1,2,4), Craig Enos (Broadstone 3), Mary Johnson (Lake Natoma Shores), and Richard Heiler (Los Cerros).

Absent: Ian Cornell (Willow Creek Estates South), Tim O'Leary (Prairie Oaks Ranch), and Joanna Stanfield (Sierra Estates).

#### **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Member Soulsby (Blue Ravine Oaks) stated that page two second line included a misspelling of “Golden One”.

Minutes as amended were approved by member Enos (Broadstone 3), seconded by member Johnson (Lake Natoma Shores).

#### **V. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR – Members of the public can address the Advisory Committee concerning items within the Committee’s subject matter jurisdiction. The Advisory Committee is prohibited from discussing or taking action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.**

#### **VI. MANAGERS REPORT**

Manager Larson gave updates regarding staffing changes in the Municipal Landscape Services Division, including promotions of Jamison Larson to MLS Manager and David Krig to MLS Supervisor.

Kurapia install was completed in Broadstone 3 and is growing in nicely.

Upcoming projects discussed include ladder fuel removal in various districts to address fire hazards. Relandscaping of turf areas on Oak Avenue and American River Canyon Drive in American River Canyon North. Trail resurfacing in Broadstone 3, as well as relandscaping on areas of Cavitt Drive in Broadstone 3.

Chair Baker (Cobble Hills Ridge / Reflections II) will be resigning following this meeting, a vote for Chair will be agendized for the next meeting.

Long time member David Weizer has passed away and information regarding his funeral service was provided.

## **VII. SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Paul Romero (Willow Springs)

Joseph Helo (Cobble Ridge)

Mark Klovec (American River Canyon North #2)

## **VIII. INPUT FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON L&L DISTRICTS**

Josh Baker (Cobble Hills Ridge / Reflections II)- Nothing to report.

Joseph Helo (Cobble Ridge)- Nothing to report.

Craig Enos (Broadstone 3)- Nothing to report. Thanked staff for the thorough managers report.

Benjamin Mattocks (Prospect Ridge)- Nothing to report.

Paul Romero (Willow Springs)- Nothing to report. Thanked Supervisor Krig for addressing streetlight issues that were previously reported.

Patty Soulsby (Blue Ravine Oaks)- Reported crepe myrtle trees requiring pruning between 109 and 111 Chesterfield. Reported a crepe myrtle tree that needs to be re-staked on Riley near the daycare. Asked about the status of the redwoods and cedars on Blue Ravine near Crossing that SMUD tops on a regular basis. Inquired about the prospect of having these trees removed by SMUD to save the district the cost of the eventual removal that will be necessary. Requested that City staff contact the residents whose yards back up to this area to make them aware of the eventual removal so they can plant trees within their property ahead of the removals if they desire. Manager Larson agreed that it would be prudent to contact the residents and make them aware of the eventual removals. Manager Larson stated that City staff will contact the property owners over the next couple of months to make them aware.

Mary Johnson (Lake Natoma Shores)- Reported that a SeeClickFix request she had previously submitted has been addressed.

Richard Heiler (Los Cerros)- Reported that brick painting, road sealing, and sidewalk repairs have not taken place. Manager Larson stated that he provided this information to the Public Works Department, and he would follow up with the Department to get an updated timeline. Reported that he had submitted SeeClickFix requests for streetlight bases that were out of alignment with the pole.

Joe Marceau (Natoma Station)- Reported that he noticed tree removals taking place at Bigfoot Park. Supervisor Krig explained that several redwoods were being removed due to root intrusion into a neighboring yard. Manager Larson explained that City staff is obligated to act when a report of damage is received.

Edward Myers (Broadstone 1,2,4)- Reported that there are weeds and tree suckers coming up in the Rathbone and Halidon area. Asked about the status of mulching on Halidon and Haverhill. Manager Larson explained that due to current staffing levels, the

project is on hold until manpower is available. Reported that trails deterioration is a concern. Supervisor Larson explained that all priority one trail imperfections have been addressed and that due to inadequate funding, the remaining imperfections are on hold until funding is available. Reported that the new crosswalk on Halidon near Blough has created a hazard due to people parking and obstructing the view of traffic, recommended that the City paint the curb red as there is a fire hydrant there as well. Manager Larson stated that he would pass this information to the Traffic Division in Public Works.

Mark Klovec (American River Canyon North #2)- Nothing to report.

Allen Brown (American River Canyon North)- Reported that the relandscape project at Mystic Hills requires some replacement plants due to die out as well as additional mulch. Inquired about the scope of the landscape project on Oak Avenue and American River Drive. Inquired about timing on drainage project for the west side of American River Canyon Drive. Manager Larson stated that he would contact Ryan Neeves with Public Works to get updated information. Reported that there is slight brick damage on the bridge endcap on Alpine Falls. Manager Larson stated that he will investigate and address the brick issue. Inquired about the status of Baldwin Dam trail project. Manager Larson stated that we are working with the City Arborist to come up with an acceptable scope to address the trail as well as ensure protection of the Oak trees along the corridor.

Paul Romero (Willow Springs)- Inquired about the expectations of Landscaping and Lighting Committee members. Inquired about open space area along Iron Point. Manager Larson explained that the open space in question was owned by an HOA and is not within the Lighting and Landscape Districts responsibility. Inquired about the committee's role in the budget process. Manager Larson explained that the role of the committee members was to act as the eyes and ears of the district and provide input on projects that they feel are necessary. Inquired about interfacing with the City Council in the role as a committee member. Manager Larson explained that there is no formal interaction and that committee members are appointed by the entire council and not by any individual Council member.

#### **IX. ITEMS FOR NEXT OR FUTURE AGENDAS**

- **Green Acres Pruning/Planting or City Urban Forester.**
- **City Urban Forester presentation on street tree requirements and enforcement, and mistletoe removal.**

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. by Josh Baker and seconded by Allen Brown.

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