

**MINUTES
PARKING & MAIN STREET COMMISSION
September 11, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Parking and Main Street Commission of the City of Garden Grove commenced at 7:35 by the recording secretary.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chairperson Curt Radi
Commissioner Gary Brown
Commissioner Hooshang Farahmond
Commissioner Audrey Pecor
Commissioner Rebecca Weimer

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Meislahn, Facilities Manager, Hershel Skidmore, Finance Manager, and Don Nguyen, Finance

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Radi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

July 10, 2008

Commissioner Pecor moved, seconded by Chair Radi to approve the minutes as presented.

The motion carried by all aye votes.

Revenue and Expenditure Statement for June and July 2008

Commissioner Weimer inquired if staff received a quote for maintenance. Staff responded that the cost would be \$15,000.00 per year. The price has gone up; it was a 10-year contract. The new contract will be for another 10 years.

Commissioner Farahmond inquired about the street sweeping. Staff clarified the schedule of the street sweeper (1 time per week) and the leaf blower (3 times per week).

Commissioner Brown commented that since the parking lot is not part of the assessment district they should not have to pay the full share of the street sweeper.

Commissioner Pecor moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the Revenue and Expenditure Statement for the months of June and July 2008.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Radi, Commissioners: Pecor, Farahmond, Weimer, Brown

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Replacement of Street Light Pole and Bollards

Mr. Meislahn introduced the staff report to replace the street light pole and bollards.

Commissioner Brown inquired about the removal of the two trees at the corner of Garden Grove Boulevard and Main Street. Staff replied that one tree was removed because it was diseased and the other tree came out when the pole hit the tree.

Commissioner Pecor inquired about solar lighting. Staff responded that this would be very costly.

Commissioner Brown suggested finding a stock designed pole that a vendor would carry always then once or twice per year 2 could be purchased and eventually they would all be replaced with the stock design. Staff was not opposed to this idea.

Commissioner Weimer inquired if the district would be reimbursed from the driver's insurance company or from the driver of the vehicle that caused the problem.

Staff responded that the City would submit the invoice to the insurance company for reimbursement.

Commissioner Pecor motioned, seconded by Commissioner Farahmond to pay for the replacement pole and to have one extra on hand.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Radi, Commissioners: Pecor, Farahmond, Weimer

NOES: Commissioner Brown

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

GO LOCAL

Mr. Peter Katz, Downtown Business Owners Association, gave an update on Go Local.

OTHER MATTERS

Commissioner Farahmond inquired about the entertainment district for the General Plan. Staff responded that the Parking and Main Street Commission would need to write a letter stating that they would like to proceed with getting the zoning changed.

Commissioner Farahmond inquired as the status of changing out of benches on Main Street. Commissioner Brown responded that there was no support for this from the City he believes it is the responsibility of the City to have the benches changed out.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Rosemarie Jacot

Recording Secretary