

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
FOREST AND BEACH COMMISSION**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 1, 2012

1:30p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Karen Ferlito
David Refuerzo
Tom Leverone, Chairperson

ABSENT: Les Kadis
Lisa Boardman

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Branson, City Forester
Margi Perotti, Administrative Coordinator

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members of the audience joined Commission Members in the pledge of allegiance.

III. APPEARANCES

Steve Brooks and Robert Schuller

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of the minutes for the 6 September 2012 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner FERLITO moved **to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted**, seconded by LEVERONE and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Boardman, Kadis

V. APPLICATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Consideration of an application to remove one incense cedar (17” diameter) and one 10” limb from a coast live oak tree. The cedar is restricting access along the side of the house and roots are pressing on the foundation of the home. The oak limb is 2” from the roof and in contact with the roof during wind events. The site is located on the east side of Mission Street, 5 north of 13th. The applicant and property owner are Smith Tree Service for Steve Hansel.

Chairperson LEVERONE opened the public hearing. Steve Brooks and Brian Jacobson appeared before the Commission. There being no further appearances the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner FERLITO moved **to approve the the application,** seconded by LEVERONE and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Boardman, Kadis

2. Consideration of an application to remove one coast redwood (30” diameter) due to damage to a driveway and home. The site is located on the east side of Santa Fe Street 2 north of Mt. View Avenue. The applicant and property owner is Mrs. Edward Doran.

Chairperson LEVERONE opened and closed the public hearing – no appearances.

Commissioner REFUERZO moved to deny the application, seconded by Commissioner FERLITO and carried by the following roll call vote

AYES: Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Boardman, Kadis

3. Consideration of an application to remove one Pittosporum tree (10” diameter) and to relocate two coast redwoods (10” and 14” diameter) for construction of two new homes. The site is located on the northwest corner of Lincoln Street and 5th Avenue. The application and property owners are Chris Tescher for Pot D’Or/Dennis Levett.

Chairperson LEVERONE opened the public hearing, Chris Tescher and Antonio Simonelle appeared before the Commission.

Chairperson LEVERONE moved to approve the application. Commissioner FERLITO moved a substitute motion to approve the application with the condition that Mr. Tescher work with staff to create a model tree root protection zone. Seconded by Commissioner REFUERZO and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Boardman, Kadis

ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Review and discuss items raised during the joint workshop between the Planning and Forest and Beach Commissions.

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented the staff report. Steve Brooks appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed at 3:38 p.m.

No Motion – Continued to the next regular meeting.

2. Consideration of scheduling a public workshop to discuss the North Dunes policies related to due restoration and tree management.

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented to staff report. Bill Scares appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed at 3:44 p.m.

Tour the North Dunes area at the next regular meeting, discussion continued to the next regular meeting. No other action taken.

VI. REPORTS FROM STAFF AND COMMISSION

1. Receive report from Ad hoc Beach Committee.

Commissioner Refuerzo presented the report.

2. Forester's Report

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented the report.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson LEVERONE adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

Approved,

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Leverone, Chairperson

Margi Perotti, Administrative
Coordinator