

MINUTES

UTILITY SERVICES/LAND USE/ENERGY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, October 15, 2018, 1 p.m.
Art Pick Council Chamber**

PRESENT: Chair Mac Arthur, Vice Chair Soubrious, and Member Gardner

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Sherry Morton, Kristi Smith, Rafael Guzman, Doug Darnell, David Welch, Randy McDaniel, Robert Filiar, Jay Eastman, and Mary Kopaskie-Brown

Chair Mac Arthur called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

VICTORIA AVENUE TREE PLANTING POLICIES, MAINTENANCE, AND IRRIGATION REVIEW

The Utility Services/Land Use/Energy Development Committee received a report on the citrus policy established for Victoria Avenue and provided direction on policies related to tree planting along Victoria Avenue, including re-evaluating the citrus policy and maintenance and irrigation responsibilities for trees along Victoria Avenue on private property. Following discussion relative to adoption of an overlay zone, a motion was made by Chair Mac Arthur and seconded by Vice Chair Soubrious directing staff to implement the previous direction and develop a policy based on future feedback in place of an overlay zone and return to the City Council for consideration. The motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion relative to the maintenance of trees in the public right-of-way, a motion was made by Vice Chair Soubrious and seconded by Member Gardner directing the Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Community Services Departments' staff including Victoria Avenue Forever to discuss tree maintenance in the public right-of-way and include any change to the City Charter as part of any recommendation to the City Council. The motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion relative to the use of alternative tree species when new development occurs, a motion was made by Chair Mac Arthur and seconded by Vice Chair Soubrious that if it is determined that (1) the citrus tree is healthy and established, the City will continue to maintain the tree; and (2) if the citrus tree is unhealthy, an alternative tree species may be planted. The motion carried unanimously.

RESIDENTIAL SHORT-TERM RENTALS AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Following discussion, a motion was made by Member Gardner and seconded by Vice Chair Soubrious that the Utility Services/Land Use/Energy Development

Committee (1) receive the report on the residential short-term rentals in the City of Riverside, including an overview on issues, potential regulations and policies that can be applied; and (2) direct staff to forward the report to the City Council including the number of short-term rentals and a map of where they are located in the City, Transient Occupancy Tax collection procedures, and if payment of City business tax should be required. The motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no oral communications given at this time.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE UTILITY SERVICES/LAND USE/ENERGY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no items requested for consideration at a future meeting.

The Committee adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



SHERRY MORTON
Assistant City Clerk