# CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AUGUST 25, 2020 PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM 155 WEST 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET YUMA, AZ 85364

Chairperson Donald Strickland called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson Don Strickland

Vice-Chair Robert Vigil

JoAnne Mowczko
Theresa Francesco

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Manny Hernandez, Public Works Superintendent

Andrea Ramirez, Administrative Specialist

PUBLIC:

None

# **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by JoAnne Mowczko to approve the July 28, 2020 minutes. Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Robert Vigil. Motion passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Call to Public: None.

**Beautification Award Nominations**: No new nominations. Due to COVID, previous award has not been delivered, a date will be determined when it is safe to do so.

**Council Report: Manny Hernandez** stated that after the by-laws and 5-year plan have been approved and accepted, we can start discussing the council report. We will revisit this at the next meeting.

Commissioners: Andrea Ramirez reached out to the clerk's office for applicants interested in joining the commission. The clerk's office will try to see if we have any appointments at the September 16, 2020 Council Meeting. Updates, if any, will be discussed at the next meeting.

By-Laws: Andrea Ramirez reviewed the changes that were made to the by-laws at the previous work session, those were sent to legal for approval. We added the option to meet via technological means. We also proposed to change the meeting start time to 3pm from 4pm. Theresa Francesco had concerns about starting the meeting earlier because of those who have full time jobs not being able to commit to the commission. Andrea stated that the commitment needs to come from the individual wanting to participate in the commission. JoAnne Mowczko stated mentioned that it would also allow the staff liaisons to stay within our normal working hours, but Andrea stated that the hours were not an issue, we are flexible. Chairperson Don Strickland JoAnne Mowczko thought about not adding a time, but Manny Hernandez stated that it is required. Vice-Chair Robert Vigil would like to hold off on voting and accepting the changes until we have input from any of the new commissioners that may come on board for next meeting.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Reports: Chairperson Don Strickland wanted to report that a large number of puncture vines that have popped up around the City. Manny Hernandez will provide an update on the efforts that Basins maintenance is taking against the puncture vines next meeting. JoAnne gave an update on input she received from UofA Horticulture Specialist, she advised that the only effect way to combat them is to pull them from the root before they flower. Mowing, raking and hoeing will not work.

# STATUS OF CURRENT EVENTS

**Staff Updates: Manny Hernandez** will give updates on Adopt-a-Street at the next meeting. **Andrea** mentioned that the Adopt-a-Street Clean and Beautiful sign is looking bad therefore; this will be reported to the Sign Shop. **Chairperson Don Strickland** mentioned that the beautification award signs are also looking bad. **JoAnne and Theresa** suggested adding Adopt-a-Street cleaning scheduling for C & B, to be discussed at the next meeting.

Future Agenda Items: Council Report, Commissioners, By-Laws, Adopt-A-Street, Fire Hydrants.

ADJOURN: 4:31 PM

Fox Donald Strickland, Chairperson

Date