

**CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AUGUST 30TH, 2022
PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING ROOM
155 WEST 14TH STREET
YUMA, AZ 85364**

Vice Chairman Arturo Morales called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Vice Chairman, Arturo Morales**
 Chairman, Greg LaVann (Via Zoom)
 Kyla Smith
 JoAnne Mowczko
 Deirdre MacDonald
 Lonna Brazeel

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Robert Vigil**

STAFF PRESENT: **Joel Olea, Public Works Director**
 Joseph Lopez, Public Works Manager
 Manny Hernandez, Public Works Superintendent
 Laura Zavala, Public Works Office Supervisor

PUBLIC: **No members of the Public present**

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

Approval of July 26th, 2022 Minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mowczko seconded by Commissioner Brazeel (Unanimous), Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS

Call to Public:

No Members of the Public present

Commissioner updates:

Chairman LaVann informed that he presented during the August 18th Fort Yuma Rotary Club. Fort Yuma Rotary might be applying to adopt a street.

Vice Chairman informed that he created a Yuma Click Fix request for abandoned shopping carts near Arizona Avenue and 16th Street. The cart had not been removed. City of Yuma Public Works, Joseph Lopez explained that Code Enforcement is currently working with stores to pick up their shopping carts in a timely manner. He added that Public Works is having difficulty with some

stores.

Commissioner Smith informed the Clean & Beautiful Commission that she has met with members from various City Commissions. She explained the different types of projects they work on. She added that Clean & Beautiful Commission should work with them to share information. Vice Chairman Morales informed that he is willing to attend other City commission meetings.

Beautification Award Update/Nominations:

Commissioner Smith informed the Commission that Chairman LaVann is working on awarding Freimuth Dentistry. The award is being processed by the Beautification Awards Subcommittee.

Commissioner Smith would like to provide a Beautification Award to a law firm in the downtown area.

Adopt A Street Procedures:

City of Yuma Public Works, Manny Hernandez presented on the current Adopt A Street Program. Adopt A Street questions were answered.

YCAT Bus Shelters:

The Clean & Beautiful Commission has been asked to help vote on artwork made by City of Yuma Media Team for YCAT Bus Shelters. City of Yuma Public Works, Joseph Lopez provided a presentation on the project. Vice Chairman Morales requested information on what measures will be implemented to eliminate vandalism and keep persons from sleeping in the bus shelters. Chairman LaVann suggested that the artwork also include "things to do in Yuma".

A motion was made by Commissioner Mowczko for the Clean & Beautiful Commission to participate in this project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner MacDonald (Unanimous), Motion passed

Discussion on Clean & Beautiful Chairman and Vice Chairman supporting Gowan's Downtown Palm Planting Project:

Chairman LaVann opened the discussion regarding the Gowan Downtown Palm Planting project. He informed the Commission that he and Vice Chairman Morales were in favor of supporting the project.

Commissioner Smith provided an update. She has met with City of Yuma Parks & Recreation, City of Yuma Administration, and the Downtown Merchants. She informed that City Administration explained that there may be limitations due to other upcoming projects in the same area. Commissioner Smith added that Gowan would like to begin the project by November.

Subcommittees:

1. **Promotion and Marketing Subcommittee:** Commissioner Smith would like to add pictures to the Clean & Beautiful Commission website of award recipients. Manny will reach out to City of Yuma Media Team to inquire how to accomplish this.
2. **Beautification Awards:** Commissioner Brazeel revisited Commissioner Mowczko's request to send letters to previous award recipients. Commissioner Brazeel asked that the Beautification Awards Subcommittee present a plan in a future meeting.
3. **Adopt a Street Recruitment:** NexGen has adopted a street and the Schumacher family will be signing up to adopt a street.

STATUS OF CURRENT EVENTS

Staff Updates:

City of Yuma Public Works, Manny Hernandez updated the Commission on a Poster opportunity at City Hall for the Clean & Beautiful Commission. Manny will work with the Promotion and Marketing

Future Agenda Items:

Select the Commission's new Adopt A Street location

Gowan's Downtown Palm Planting Project

Beautification Awards Subcommittee to present a plan on reaching out to previous award recipients

City Hall Poster

ADJOURN: 3:58 PM

A motion was made by Commissioner MacDonald to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Brazeel. Aye's (Unanimous), Motion passed



Arturo Morales, Vice Chairman

9/12/2022

Date