

**YUMA CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 28, 2023
PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING ROOM
155 WEST 14TH STREET
YUMA, AZ 85364**

Chairman Greg LaVann called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Greg LaVann, Chairman**
 Arturo Morales, Vice Chairman
 Robert Vigil, Commissioner
 Deirdre MacDonald, Commissioner
 Lonna Brazeel, Commissioner
 JoAnne Mowczko, Commissioner
 Kyla Smith, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: **Joseph Lopez, Public Works Manager**
 Laura Zavala, Administrative Support Supervisor
 Darla Kuhn, Customer Account Specialist
 Kelly Morgan, Arizona@Work Intern (Public Works)

MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC: Ruth Gloria

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner MacDonald and seconded by Commissioner Vigil (unanimous), and the motion was passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Call to the public:

Ruth Gloria in attendance was invited to the meeting by Vice Chairman Morales to discuss her history with the commission. Ruth Gloria was involved in the Clean and Beautiful Commission back when it began and her duties involved doing administrative work such as minutes, calling members, and putting packets together.

Ruth Gloria also brought up the topic of shopping carts as stated on the 5-Year plan and talked about how she's seen an improvement in that aspect of the community. Public Works Manager, Joe Lopez explained how Public Works has been working with stores and Code Compliance to improve the shopping cart situation. Stores have been open to the idea of helping retrieve their shopping carts from the streets when notified.

Commissioner Updates:

Vice Chairman, Morales suggested the 5-Year plan be addressed by the commission more often. Chairman LaVann agreed and also suggested it potentially be reevaluated every quarter.

Beautification Award Update/Nomination:

Commissioners Mowcsko, MacDonald, and Brazeel visited new locations to nominate for an award.

Commissioner Vigil will submit an address off of E. 26TH Pl. and West of Pacific Ave. for a nomination as well.

Public Works will work with the Asset Management Team to have a map printed that shows the locations of awards that have been presented.

SUBCOMMITTEES:

Promotion and Marketing Subcommittee:

If allowing the public to nominate addresses for an award via a web link, Vice Chairman Morales suggested having specific criteria to check off to avoid nepotism.

Chairman, LaVann entertained a motion to accept creating a link for the community to get engaged. The motion was made by Commissioner MacDonald and seconded by Commissioner Vigil (unanimous), and the motion was passed.

Commissioners Smith and Vice Chairman Morales will bring to the next meeting a proposal of what the link will look like.

Public Works Manager, Joe Lopez gave his input when it comes to the solid waste drivers nominating locations based on their routes. Explained there are 11 routes and would ask the drivers to submit one address that stands out to nominate. Vice Chairman, Morales expressed concern about this potentially being a liability for the City if pictures needed to be taken.

Commissioner Mowczko made a motion to move forward with solid waste drivers making nominations based on their routes as long as specific verbiage is added saying they are not required to take pictures and will report it verbally to their supervisor. Commissioner MacDonald seconded the motion (unanimous), and the motion was passed.

Beautification Award Subcommittee:

Discussion to vote on a specific date on when to present awards was tabled for April's meeting.

Adopt-a-Street Subcommittee:

Chairman LaVann informed the commission that APS and YRMC expressed interest in becoming Adopt-A-Street participants but they have been busy and have not had the chance to fill out an application. Chairman LaVann will follow up with them.

Discussion to vote on a new Adopt-A-Street location was tabled for April's meeting.

STAFF UPDATES:

Neighborhood Cleanup - Public Works Manager, Joe Lopez informed the commission we are currently in area 8 for Neighborhood Cleanup and running approximately 2-3 days behind. Area 6 was very large and approximately 252 tons of trash were collected. This took about 9 days for it to complete which was longer than expected.

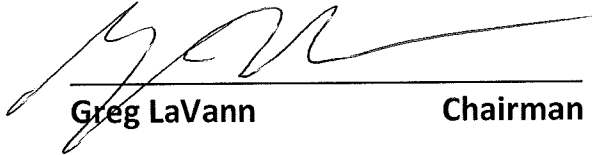
Adopt-a-Street – Administrative Support Supervisor, Laura Zavala informed the commission that the Adopt-a-Street program is currently being revamped. We are working on making the sign-up process more user-friendly, providing additional PPE, and increasing communication between Public Works and the participants.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Discuss the date to present awards.
- Vote on the new Adopt-A-Street location for the commission.
- Discuss when to vote for a new Chairman and Vice Chairman.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:10 PM

A motion was made by Commissioner Mowczko and seconded by Commissioner Vigil (unanimous), and the motion was passed.



Greg LaVann Chairman

4/25/23

Date