



Public Spaces Commission

Special Meeting

MINUTES

Ukiah Valley Conference Center ♦ 200 South School St ♦ Ukiah, CA 95482

Virtual Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81764322746>

November 14, 2023 - 5:30 PM

1. **ROLL CALL**

Public Spaces Commission met at a Regular Meeting on November 14th, 2023, having been legally noticed on November 9th, 2023. The meeting was held virtually at the following link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81764322746> and in person in the Ukiah Valley Conference Center at 200 South School St, Ukiah Ca 95482. Commissioner Babbini called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. **Commissioners Present:** Elora Babbini, Vicki Bitonti-Brown, Megan Parker, Casey Thompson, Steven Ratley, and Joe Scriven.

Commissioners Absent by Prearrangement: None. **Staff Present:** Neil Davis, Community Services Director and Araceli Sandoval, Community Services Administrative Assistant.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Steven Ratley – Newest Commission Member

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. Approval of the Minutes for the July 11th 2023 – Regular Meeting.

*Parker/Scriven to approve the Minutes of July 11th, 2023, a Regular Meeting; as submitted. Motion **carried** by the following roll call vote: AYES: Babbini, Bitonti-Brown, Parker, Thompson, Scriven. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: Ratley.*

b. Approval of the Minutes for the September 12th 2023 – Regular Meeting.

*Parker/Scriven to approve the Minutes of July 11th, 2023, a Regular Meeting; as submitted. Motion **carried** by the following roll call vote: AYES: Babbini, Bitonti-Brown, Parker, Thompson, Scriven. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: Ratley.*

3. **STAFF MEMBER PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS**

a. Report on Orr Creek Greenway – A Longstanding Vision

Presenter: Neil Davis

Report was received.

Public Comment: Positive enthusiasm of the benefits that the Orr Creek Greenway provides to students walking to and from school.

4. **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

None Given.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Presentation of McGarvey Park Conceptual Landscape Plan

Presenter: Gretchen Stranzl McCann from GSM Landscape Architects, Inc.

Presentation was received.

Public Comment: Overall preference of Concept I with minor changes to preserve the nature and natural aspects of the park.

6. AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None Given.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Report on a Draft Western Hills Watershed Protection Area Management Plan

Presenter: Neil Davis

Report was received.

Public Comment: Concern with potential theoretical uses of the Western Hills.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Araceli Sandoval, Public Spaces Commission Clerk