



**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE  
OPEN SPACE & CONSERVATION ELEMENT COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING**

Monday, February 23, 2009

6:30 p.m.

Pasadena City Hall

Grand Conference Room SO38 (Basement of City Hall – southeast corner)

100 North Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101

Present: Richard Janisch (Chair); Edwina Travis Chin (Vice-Chair); Madhu Kumar; Don Bremner; Laura Garrett

Absent: Belinda Faustinos; Mike Coppess; Anne Dove; Cara McLane Meyer (alternate); Carolyn Naber (alternate); George Wilson (alternate); Jane Beesley (alternate); Paul Edelman; Roger Gray (alternate); Tim Wendler (alternate)

City Staff: Laura Dahl

Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm.

**I. Public Comment:**

No public comment received.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2009—the draft minutes were amended to note that the Altadena Foothills Conservancy produced the movie Eaton's Water in conjunction with Art Center. The date of the Wistaria Vine Festival was corrected to Sunday, March 15. Committee Member Bremner motioned to approve the minutes and Committee Member Garrett seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved with the changes noted above.

**III. Community Fair: Saturday February 28, 2009@ City Hall Courtyard**

- Agenda—Ms. Dahl presented the proposed workbook, draft list of attending organizations and fair agenda. Four stations will be set up to gather public feedback plus speakers' nook and kids' corner.

- Stations
  - Station 1) To identify where existing open space is. Clarify between open space as it is zoned and open space as it appears. Clarify between designated parks and open space areas. Annandale Canyon and Eagle Rock Trail will be specifically depicted on map. Map should have more street detail. All spaces noted by public will be recorded; Historic map of Pasadena will be presented for contrast.
  - Station 2) Informational station. Historic photos of open spaces in Pasadena from 100 plus years ago. Guessing game to guess location of photos. Photos from photo contest will be posted here. It would be helpful to have a description of the current state of development of the historic photo locations. Asks what vision is for the City in the next 50 years.
  - Station 3) Asking what activities people do in open spaces, and locate and mark those activities on map.
  - Station 4) Conservation station: give facts on display boards of Pasadena conservation facts; explains conservation. Display should mention wildlife. Ask people to make a pledge to take an action in the spirit of conservation.
  - Kids Corner & Speakers Corner: There will be a schedule for organizations to discuss issues important to their groups.

*Eaton's Water* will not be shown at the event. The fair is not able to accommodate the technical requirements of the movie. Splitting the fair attendees between the courtyard and the council chambers would weaken synergy of event. Michelle Zack discussed with Chair Janisch that ideally there would be an MC to introduce the movie and for maximum viewer impact in a venue with proper sound resources.

Event will start at 9:30. Committee members should show up at 9:00 to receive training for their station assignment. KPAS will be recording the speaker, Will Rogers.

- Committee Member Station Assignments
  - Vice Chair Chin—Station 1
  - Chair Janisch—Station 2
  - Committee Member Bremner—Station 3
  - Committee Member Kumar—Station 4
  - Committee Member Garrett—Kids Station

#### **IV. Future Public Participation Program**

The General Plan effort is getting started. The GP Committee is planning their first meeting in sometime in mid-March. They are proposing outreach events in May and June. They would like OS/C Committee to slow down and let them get caught up. OS/C Committee can develop open space inventory and process information received from survey. GP Committee will have a community open house in late April/early May. Neighborhood forum events are also planned around the City.

Chair Janisch will be OS/C Committee representative nominee to the GP Committee.

**V. Agenda Items for Next Meeting—March 9, 2009**

- Update on inventories.
- Guest Speaker—David Ford, Southern California Edison.
- Recap of February 28<sup>th</sup> Event and input from questionnaires.
- Suggested Future Speakers—Mickey Long, *Los Angeles County*.

Ms. Dahl reviewed the list for public location suggestions. Permission will be needed to place kiosk on private property. Booth will be staffed and stand alone if no one is available.

- ❖ Arroyo Seco Archery Center on any Saturday *with Vice Chair Chin*
- ❖ All Saints Church on any Sunday *with Committee Member Garrett*.
- ❖ PNC Monthly meeting on 2/26 *with Chair Janisch*
- ❖ Rose Bowl Flea Market on 3/8 *with Committee Member Dove*.
- ❖ Wistaria Vine Festival in Sierra Madre on 3/15
- ❖ Pasadena Marathon on 3/22
- ❖ Pasadena Heritage Spring Home Tour on 3/29
- ❖ Bungalow Heaven Home Tour on 4/26

**VI. Adjournment**

Chair Janisch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. Chair hearing no opposition. Meeting adjourned.



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Robert Ávila, Recording Secretary