Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission

AGENDA
September 21, 2026
6:00 PM

City Hall Front Community Room
401 E Chapman Ave, Placentia, CA 92870

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Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission
Regular Meeting Agenda
September 21, 2026
Front Community Room
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL
Chair Rocke
Vice Chair Anderson
Commissioner Marhoefer
Commissioner Beltran

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
At this time the public may address the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission concerning any agenda item, which is not a public hearing item, or on matters within the jurisdiction of the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission. There is a five (5) minute time limit for each individual addressing the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission.

MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
RECEIVE AND FILE

1. AGENDA

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 **Review of Tree Removal Ordinance**

Recommended Action:
1. Receive and File

3. DIRECTOR UPDATES
Oral updates on transportation-related City projects and initiatives provided by the Director and/or Transportation Services Manager.

4. POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC SUMMARY
Statistical update on accident and enforcement information provided by the Placentia Police Department.

STREETSCAPE AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REQUESTS
Commission members may make requests or ask questions of Staff. If a Commission member would like to have formal action taken on a requested matter, it will be placed on a future Commission Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

The Streetscape & Transportation Advisory Commission adjourn to the next regular meeting on November 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Front Community Meeting Room located at 401 East Chapman Avenue, Placentia CA, 92870.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I, Chris Tanio, Director of Public Works/City Engineer/Secretary to the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission of the City of Placentia, hereby certify that the Agenda for the September 21, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission of the City of Placentia was posted on September 17, 2026.

/s/ Chris Tanio
Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Secretary to the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory

PLACENTIA STREETSCAPE AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: September 21, 2026

Submitted by: Anthony Peralta

From: Public Works

Subject:
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:
RECEIVE AND FILE

Attachments
07.20.26 Regular Meeting Minutes.pdf

PLACENTIA STREETSCAPE AND TRANSPORTAITON ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
July 20, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Placentia Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission of July 20, 2026, was called to order at 6:04 p.m. in the Front Community Meeting Room, 401 E. Chapman Avenue, Placentia, by Chair Rocke.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chair Rocke
Vice-Chair Anderson
Commissioner Marhoefer

Absent: Commissioner Beltran

STAFF PRESENT:

Chris Tanio, Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Gabriel Guerrero-Gabany, Deputy Director of Public Works
Matthew Di Mario, Management Analyst
Ontoine Lewis, Public Works Manager
Sgt. Frank Garza, Police Department Motor Sergeant
Anthony Peralta, Administrative Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ORAL COMMENTS:

Chair Rocke invited public comments on items which are not public hearings.

No comment was received in person or via email.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2026.**

   Recommended Actions: Approve

MOTIONED by Vice-Chair Anderson to approve the meeting minutes. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Marhoefer. **CARRIED** by 3-0 vote to approve the March 16, 2026 meeting minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

REGULAR AGENDA:

1. **OATH OF OFFICE:** Commissioner to complete Oath of Office.

2. **Appeal of Denied Tree Removal Request – 1451 Dixon Pl**

   Recommended Actions:
   1. Open the Public Hearing concerning the Appeal for Denied Tree Removal Request at 1451 Dixon Pl; and
   2. Receive the staff report and consider all public testimony; and
   3. Close the Public hearing and Deny the Appeal for Denied Tree Removal Request at 1451 Dixon Pl.

   MOTIONED by Chair Rocke to Accept Staff Recommendation and Deny the Tree Removal Request. **SECONDED** by Vice-Chair Anderson. **CARRIED** by a 2-1 vote to Accept Staff Recommendation and Deny the Tree Removal Request.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

DIRECTORS' REPORT:

Deputy Director of Public Works Gabriel Guerrero-Gabany informed the Commission of a request from the Community Services Department to consider red-curbing a portion of sidewalk near the Powell Building/Senior Center alleyway exit. The Commission recommended no action to red curb.

Director Chris Tanio provided an update to the Commission regarding the purchase and installation of solar powered flashing beacons with crosswalk signs at the intersection of Valencia Avenue and Purdy Avenue. Director Tanio presented the Commission with a traffic study conducted by the City's On-Call Traffic Engineering consultant, justifying the necessity. The Commission approved the purchase and installation.

INFORMATION/COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Police Department Traffic Summary**

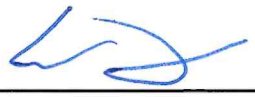
   Sgt. Garza provided an update to the City's E-Bike Ordinance.

STREETSCAPE AND TRANSPROTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REQUESTS

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Rocke closed out the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission Regular Meeting at 7:32 p.m. to the next regular meeting of Monday, September 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Front Community Meeting Room at 401 East Chapman Avenue, Placentia, CA.



Chris Tanio, Director of Public Works/City Engineer
Secretary to the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission

Agenda Item No: 2.1

PLACENTIA STREETSCAPE AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: September 21, 2026
Submitted by: Anthony Peralta
From: Public Works

Subject:
Review of Tree Removal Ordinance

Recommended Action:
1. Receive and File

Discussion:
Per Section 14.12.070 of the Placentia Municipal Code. Only trees found that are found to be dead, diseased, irreparably injured, hazardous, or in a condition that presents legitimate concerns or conditions may be the subject of a Tree Removal Request.
The following reasons are not valid for tree removals:
1. Leaf litter in gutters, on sidewalks or private property
2. Messy/excessive fruit
3. Root intrusion into sewer laterals as a result of deteriorating infrastructure
4. Hardscape damage unless a feasible, economic solution exists to save the tree

If the appeal is granted by the Commission, the removal of the tree and stump will be at the property owners cost and expense. The property owner will also be responsible for the cost of two replacement 24" inch box trees. Funds remitted to the City will be deposited in the City's Tree Replacement and Planting Fund for that purpose.

Attachments
Tree Removal Criteria.pdf

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CITY TREE REMOVAL POLICY (NON-DEVELOPMENT)

Per the Urban Forest Protection Ordinance (Ordinance), the removal, relocation, trimming/pruning of City Tree by anyone other than the City is prohibited. Property owners may submit a written request to the Public Works Department for removal of a City tree that is located within the public-right-of way in front of or adjacent to their property. All tree removal requests will be reviewed the Director of Public Works or his/her designee (Director) and subject to the Tree Removal Criteria outlined in Section 14.12.070 of the Placentia Municipal Code. Only trees that are found to be dead, diseased, irreparably injured, hazardous, or in a condition that presents legitimate public safety concerns or conditions may be the subject of a Tree Removal Request. The following reasons are not valid for tree removals:

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TREE REMOVAL REQUEST PROCESS:

1. A property owner can submit a Tree Removal Request to the Public Works Department via in-person, mail or by email at urbanforest@placentia.org. A form is available online at www.placentia.org/urbanforest, at City Hall, or can be requested by email at urbanforest@placentia.org.
2. The City will conduct an assessment of the tree(s) to assess whether a removal can be granted or not.
3. If the City determines that the tree is dead, dying or hazardous, or constitutes a public safety concern per the removal criteria of the Ordinance, the tree request may be approved by Director.
4. If a Tree Removal Request is denied by the Director, a property owner may appeal this decision to Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission (Commission). An appeal must be submitted to the Commission within **five (5)** business days of the denial. To ensure transparency and inform the public, appeals will be reviewed by the Commission at a public hearing meeting to provide a final determination. The entire appeal policy can be found in the Ordinance at www.placentia.org/urbanforest and the process is outlined below.

TREE REMOVAL APPEAL PROCESS:

1. A request to remove a City tree has been denied by the Director.
2. A property owner can submit a written appeal any time after their request to have a City tree removed has been denied by the City. The City Tree Removal Appeal Form is available online at www.placentia.org/urbanforest or in-person to the Public Works Department inside City Hall.
3. A property owner must submit a written request for reconsideration within **five (5)** business days of the denial. The appeal can be submitted in-person at City Hall or by email at urbanforest@placentia.org.
4. After the appeal has been submitted in a timely manner, the appeal will be heard at the next available Commission meeting.
5. The Commission may grant the Tree Removal Request, in whole or in part; notwithstanding the conclusive facts, it finds that the burden to the property owner if the Request is denied substantially outweighs (1) the benefit that a denial provides to the public; *and* (2) the burden to the public if it is granted. The decision of the Commission is final.
6. If the appeal is granted by the Commission, the subsequent removal of the tree(s) and stump(s) shall be at the property owner's cost and expense. Property owner shall also be responsible for the cost of procuring and planting two (2) replacement 24" box trees; and funds remitted to the City shall be deposited into the City's Tree Replacement and Planting Fund, as described in Section 14.12.090 of the Placentia Municipal Code, for that purposes.

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CITY TREE REMOVAL APPEAL POLICY

In accordance with the Urban Forest Management Plan, to ensure a healthy urban forest for residents, visitors and future generations, the City has adopted the Urban Forest Protection Ordinance (Ordinance). The ordinance establishes a policy for property owners to request the removal of City trees in front or adjacent to their property.

Pursuant to the Ordinance, the Director of Public Works (Director) has the authority and responsibility to make determination over the appropriateness of tree removals in public areas. If a Tree Removal Request is denied by the Director, a property owner may appeal this decision to Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission (Commission). An appeal must be submitted to the Commission within **five (5)** business days of the denial. To ensure transparency and inform the public, appeals will be reviewed by the Commission at a public meeting to provide a final determination. The entire appeal policy can be found in the Ordinance at www.placentia.org/urbanforest and the process is outlined below.

STEPS TO SUBMIT AN APPEAL:

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6. If the appeal is granted by the Commission, all removal and replacement costs will be borne by the applicant.

TREE REPLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS:

If the Commission grants the Tree Removal Request, subsequent removal of the tree(s) and stumps shall be at the property owner's cost and expense. Property owner shall also be responsible for the cost of procuring and planting two (2) replacement, 24" box trees; and funds remitted to the City shall be deposited into the City's Tree Replacement and Planting Fund, as described in Section 14.12.090 of the Placentia Municipal Code for that purpose

COMMISSION MEETING PROCEDURES:

The Commission meets at 6:00 pm, on the third Monday of odd months. Residents/merchants immediately surrounding the affected property shall be notified by mail of any property owner appeals for a tree removal. A minimum of three properties adjacent to either side of the affected property shall be notified, as well as the closest three properties across the street. City staff will post a notice on the affected tree no less than 10 days prior to review by the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission. The notice will include information on the proposed property owner appeal and meeting dates, times, and locations. Agendas for the Streetscape and Transportation Advisory Commission are posted a minimum of 72 hours prior to the meeting date for public review. The public is invited to make public comment at the meetings or submit written comments for consideration.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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