

**CITY OF REDLANDS  
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting of October 13, 2020  
MINUTES**

**1. Call to order at 4:09 pm - Attendance**

**Present:** Michael Day, Chair  
Rolland Moore  
Heather Ross  
Bill Oesterlein  
Libb Cook

**Absent:**  
Kyle Kenison  
Jack Steward

Councilmember Momberger

**QOL Staff:** Assistant Director Sullivan  
Zach LaBonte  
Erik Reeves  
Jocelynn Santa Cruz

**Farming/Packing companies:** Larry Jacinto  
John Gless

**Guests:** none

This was conducted as a teleconference meeting in the Facilities & Community Services Department, Civic Center 35 Cajon Street, Redlands, California.

In compliance with public health recommendations to limit public gatherings during the Covid-19 pandemic and acting as the City of Redlands Emergency Services Director, City Manager Charles M. Duggan Jr., directed meetings of the City of Redlands be closed to the public until further notice or until the current local State of Emergency has been lifted. Public comments, up to 250 words and received by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting, were read aloud by the Commission Chair.

**2. Public comments:** No public comments were received by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting.

**3. Approval of Minutes:** approval of minutes of the regular meeting of March 10, 2020, were approved with the amendment of Old Business item 5E; a motion from Commissioner Oesterlein, seconded by Commissioner Cook, motion carried.

**4. New Business:** City staff provided information regarding the expiration of the citrus farming contract with Jacinto Farming. Assistant Director, Tim Sullivan, provided insight on using both in-house staff and contractual services to continue the farming of the citrus groves. Commissioner Oesterlein questioned the ability of city staff performing the farming of larger groves and the need for specific applicator license requirements to perform necessary treatment spraying.

**5. Status Reports**

A. *Packinghouse report:* No packing house report from Villa Park. Larry Jacinto reported that crews have weeded, watered and picked gib fruit at Prospect Park. Late naval gib will be picked at 5<sup>th</sup>. Frost guard was applied, psyllid treatment and trash clean up. Jacinto crews will need assistance with cleaning up a homeless encampment at the I10 grove.

B. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Zach confirmed staff will continue to work with Jacinto on the farming of groves. Mt View grove will be thinned. Staff is researching whether Olive Ave grove can be deed restricted.

- C. *Individual Commissioner Reports*: Commissioner Cook mentioned University grove looks healthy; noticed sucker growth at 5<sup>th</sup> Ave grove. Mention of changing irrigation at any of the groves still on bubblers.
- D. *10 year citrus plan*: Commissioner Oesterlein commented on the 3 year expenditure report provided by staff in their presentation under new business.

**6. Old Business**

- A. Update on a second round of ACP/HLB educational material being mailed out with utility billing. Staff has obtained a flier (in English & Spanish) for utility bill mailer. Commissioner Oesterlein recommends the flier go out in the spring of 2021. Commissioners suggested links on the city's website to route residents to ACP/HLB informational web pages.

**7. Next meeting agenda items**

- A. Chairman Day requested the possibility of meeting in person, in the council chambers. Staff to look into possible dates.
- B. Provide update on Olive Ave property sale options
- C. Provide update on Mt. View grove thinning

**6. 5:46 pm - Adjournment to regular meeting October 13, 2020**

Minutes submitted by City of Redlands staff.