

March 9, 2015

To: Mayor Lingl and Honorable Members of the City Council

From: The Lompoc Beautification & Appearance Commission

Subject: Annual Report

The Beautification & Appearance Commission held twelve (12) regular meetings, between January through December 2014. Previously held the second Tuesday of the month, the meeting date was changed to Wednesdays in May. All regular monthly meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. In addition to regular meetings, the Commission held one (1) Joint Meeting with City Council, two (2) Special Meetings and various community events. A list of these special meetings and community events are attached for your review.

Total revenue received by the Beautification & Appearance Commission for the 2014 calendar year was \$855.95. These contributions are independent funds, generated through public donations, interest income and fund raising. All programs of the Commission are self-supporting and operate without contributions from the City. A detailed report of Commission projects and donations is attached for your review.

A continued service of the Commission is review of discretionary services provided by Urban Forestry. These services include tree maintenance, planting and removal.

It has been a sincere pleasure for all of the Commissioners to serve our City over the last year. We look forward to another year of beautification in Lompoc. As always, the Beautification & Appearance Commission welcomes comments and suggestions for improving and expanding our services to the citizens of Lompoc.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lompoc Beautification & Appearance Commission

Becky Barritt, Chairperson

Alyssa Silvis, Vice-Chairperson

Steve Bailey, Commissioner

Shirley Gettings, Commissioner

Shelly Miranda, Commissioner

LOMPOC BEAUTIFICATION & APPEARANCE COMMISSION
2014 Special Meetings and Community Interest Events

- 3/18/14 Special Meeting – Annual Field Inspection.
- 3/22/14 Arbor Day - Recognition Grove.
- 4/15/14 Joint Bi-Annual Meeting with City Council.
- 12/8/14 Special Meeting – Sub-Committee to Review Recognition Grove Applications.

Continuing Maintenance

The Hanging Baskets at City Hall were changed to succulents at the end of 2012; therefore reducing the need for seasonal replanting. All respective expenditures are still provided by the Beautification & Appearance Commission.

ANNUAL PROJECTS

- 12th Annual Thank-You Cards to Utility Bill contributors
- 16th Annual Centennial Square Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
- 20th Annual Holiday Decoration Contest
- 26th Annual Arbor Day/Recognition Grove
- 37th Annual Beautification Awards – “Say It with Flowers” Contest
- 1st Annual Appreciation & Awards Presentation Program with the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visitor’s Bureau
- 4th Annual Property Improvement Awards Program

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Replant “H” Street and Ocean Avenue Medians to enhance our main thoroughfare and keep areas weed free. (Per previous request from Bob Lingl).

Demo East Central Avenue hardscape to beautify the area.

Educational booth about drought tolerant plants at Old Town Market on Friday’s with small plant give away.

Four Year High Maintenance Tree Removal & Replacement Plan revised to the Ten Year High Maintenance Tree Removal & Replacement Plan for Council adoption. Revisions due to budgetary constraints and responsible management of the City’s Urban Forest. (Per previous directive from City Council).

Partner with the Chamber of Commerce or other organizations to become more visible in the City thru joint community events.

NEW PROJECTS

Airport Walking Path beautification with split rail fencing, roses and grape vines.

Re-landscape Medians in the 1200-1300 blocks North "D" Street and 1400 block of East Central Avenue.

Continue efforts to secure a site for a Beautification & Appearance Commission sponsored Community Garden.

Enhance the tree wells on the West side of the 700 block of North H Street at the Lompoc Plaza Shopping Center with Succulent plants.