

Alhambra Watershed Council (AWC) Meeting  
May 2, 2023  
6:30-8:00pm

Decision Meeting Minutes:

Discussion Item: Lower Alhambra Creek Watershed Management Plan (LACWMP) Updates

- Victoria: Check in with Riley on the restoration plan in the LACWMP.
  - Ask if the restoration plan outlined in the LACWMP is sufficient, or if she was looking for something more/different.
  - Ask for a response before the next AWC meeting.
- Should AWC have a record/document of AWC's role with the LACWMP?
  - Comments:
    - The way LACWMP is currently set up, the maintenance crews could just take this and run with it or could utilize the AWC for feedback and expertise.
    - The City's priorities may change over time, it may be helpful for another party to be aware of the LACWMP.
    - Volunteers are a liability for cities. An idea is for the city to eventually hire a volunteer coordinator who can help balance the vegetation management work between both volunteers and employees to achieve more goals in the end.
    - There should be more regular workshops for the city employees. These workshops should include both the maintenance and parks crews (there were only maintenance workers at the previous workshop).
    - Note or emphasize changes in the LACWMP over time during the training/workshops.
    - Should have the next workshop/training right before they plan to start managing vegetation.
    - AWC should encourage the City to review the plan every 3 yrs to decide if any updates to the plan are needed. Additionally, AWC should suggest a training/workshop every other year.
  - Questions for the City:
    - Is the City starting the desilting this year?
    - When does the City plan on beginning vegetation management?
    - Are you willing to review the LACWMP every 3 years?
    - Are you willing to have a workshop/training for both the maintenance and parks crews every other year?
    - What level of volunteer/AWC/FoAC involvement throughout the year would be helpful to the city? (city/community weeding, planting, etc. workdays?)
  - Decisions:

- AWC will create a document outlining the various resources they know of or used to help with the LACWMP. Start with Doug's chart and add comments and edits. Finalize during the June meeting.
- Victoria will invite both Randy Leptein and Joe Enke (City Engineers) to come to the next AWC meeting to discuss AWC and the city's roles in the LACWMP.

Discussion Item: June AWC Meeting

- Question: Mitch cannot make it to the scheduled June AWC meeting due to travel. Would the group like to change the date of the meeting?
- Decision: Victoria will send out a poll to see if people are available to meet Wednesday, June 21 instead of Tuesday, June 6.

Discussion Item: Alhambra Creek Conceptual Stream Restoration Report

- Decision: Pushed to a later meeting.
- Note: Jamie Menasco should be present when we discuss this.

Discussion Item: CCC Creek and Watershed Symposium Sponsorship

- Decision: The Friends of Alhambra Creek and the Alhambra Watershed Council will co-sponsor the CCC Creek and Watershed Symposium.
  - Each group will contribute \$50.
  - Victoria is checking with the CCRCD accountant to see if there are any AWC funds and what the CCRCD policy in closing accounts is. If the AWC does not have any group funds, Mitch is willing to contribute the \$50.