



# REPORT TO LAW & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE City of Sacramento

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915 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-2671

Consent  
April 15, 2008

Honorable Members of the  
Law and Legislation Committee

**Subject: Approval of Minutes – April 1, 2008**

**Location/Council District:** All

**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes for the Committee meeting of April 1, 2008.

**Contact:** Shirley Concolino, City Clerk- 808-5442.

**Presenters:** None

**Department:** City Clerk's Office

**Organization No:** 0700

**Summary:** Staff recommends the approval of the minutes for the Committee meeting of April 1, 2008.

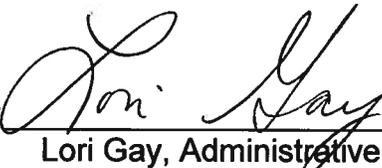
**Committee/Commission Action:** None.

**Financial Considerations:** None.

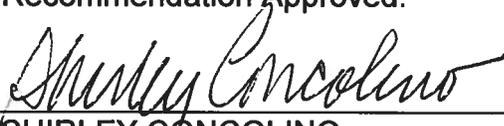
**Environmental Considerations:** None.

**Policy Considerations:** None.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** None.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
Lori Gay, Administrative Assistant

Recommendation Approved:

  
SHIRLEY CONCOLINO

City Clerk

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# MINUTES

## City of Sacramento

### Law and Legislation Committee

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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Councilmember

**STEVE COHN (D-3)**  
Councilmember

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Councilmember

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*Joe Robinson*  
Deputy City Attorney

**City Hall**  
**915 I Street, 1st Floor – Council Chambers**

**April 1, 2008 – 12:30 P.M.**

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# MINUTES

**Tuesday, April 1, 2008**

**City Hall**

**915 I Street - First Floor Council Chamber**

All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Law and Legislation Committee unless otherwise noted.

## **Call to Order – 12:34 p.m.**

**Roll Call – Councilmembers Sheedy, Waters and Hammond were present.  
Councilmember Cohn was absent.**

## **Consent Calendar**

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered and acted upon by one motion. Anyone may request an item be removed for separate consideration.

**ACTION:** Moved/Seconded/Carried (Waters/Hammond; Absent: Cohn) to adopt the Consent calendar in one motion.

### **1. Approval of Minutes for March 4, 2008**

**Location:** (Citywide)

**Recommendation:** Approve Committee minutes for March 4, 2008.

**Contact:** Shirley Concolino, City Clerk, City Clerk's Office (916) 808-8091.

**ACTION:** Approved recommendation.

### **2. Law and Legislation Log**

**Location:** (Citywide)

**Recommendation:** Approve legislative log.

**Contact:** Lori Gay, Administrative Assistant, City Manager's Office (916) 808-5393.

**ACTION:** Approved recommendation.

## **Staff Reports**

Staff reports include oral presentations including those recommending receive and file. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes.

### **3. ITEM 3 WAS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE.**

**Amending City Code Chapter 3.60 for the Clarification on Volunteers on Public Projects**

**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Approve and forward to the full City Council an ordinance amending Sacramento City Code Chapter 3.60 to clarify the involvement of volunteers in City public projects.

**Contact:** J.P. Tindell, Park Planning and Development Manager, (916) 808-1955.

- 4. An Ordinance Amending Sections 12.56.020, 12.60.020, 12.64.020, 12.64.050 and 12.64.060 of the Sacramento City Code, which transfers the decision authority to the Director of Transportation, modifies the definition of heritage trees, provides remedies of the preservation of heritage trees other than removal and addresses noticing requirements**  
**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** 1) Approve and forward to City Council for adoption an ordinance amending Sections 12.56.020, 12.60.020, 12.64.020, 12.64.050 and 12.64.060 of the City Code that will transfer decision authority to the Director of Transportation, provide an enhanced definition for heritage trees; provide remedies for the preservation of heritage trees, other than removal, and address noticing requirements; and 2) direct staff to return to the Law & Legislation Committee with proposed revisions to Title 12, Section 12.56, 12.60, 12.64, relating to trees, to improve the City's tree processes consistent with the City's three-year goal of achieving sustainability and livability.

**Contact:** Joe Benassini, Urban Forest Services Manager, (916) 808-6258.

**ACTION:** Moved/Seconded/Carried (Hammond/Waters; Absent-Cohn) to 1) approve and forward to City Council for adoption an ordinance amending Sections 12.56.020, 12.60.020, 12.64.020, 12.64.050 and 12.64.060 of the City Code that will transfer decision authority to the Director of Transportation, provide an enhanced definition for heritage trees; provide remedies for the preservation of heritage trees, other than removal, and address noticing requirements; and 2) direct staff to return to the Law & Legislation Committee with proposed revisions to Title 12, Section 12.56, 12.60, 12.64, relating to trees, to improve the City's tree processes consistent with the City's three-year goal of achieving sustainability and livability.

**Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda – None.**

**Adjournment – 12:51 p.m.**