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**URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2021 8:05AM  
City Hall – City Hall Conference Room 6

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

JD Reeves  
Gina Davis(zoom)  
Bruce Martinek  
Bob Hallock(zoom)  
John Schwandt joined at 8:30

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Steve Bloedel  
Erika Eidson

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Michael Bueduoin  
Lee Wayman 801 E St. Maries.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting called to order at 8:12 by Bruce Martinek acting Chair

**1) MINUTES**

Motion by Bob Hallock and seconded by Gina Davis

**2) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Wayman from 801 E St. Maries Ave. gave a brief history regarding his home and trees that have been removed in the past. Stated at this time he believes the Douglas fir tree represents a danger to his home after witnessing the way that the tree responded during the windstorm in January. The consequences of failure should the tree impact the home/chimney would be very worry some. Mr. Wayman said that he has plans to install a larger garage in the future and has concerns over the amount of damage to the root system when the new driveway will be installed. Mr. Wayman stated that he hopes the committee will help him in the first step regarding the improvements of his home with the removal and replacement of this tree.

**3) Forester's report**

Please see attached report.

#### **4) URBAN FORESTRY PROJECT IDEAS**

Gina Davis mentioned that she remembered to bring the insulated box for mailing American chestnut samples for identification and confirmation. No other Ideas presented.

#### **5) MCH GRANT**

Michael gave a brief information update regarding the grant and stated the city would have the option of running the grant hiring the contractor etc. or the IDL can assist with that portion with Nick Goodwin as the contact for the contactors and selecting the treatment area. Gina stated that based on the math that Tom Ekberg has done that we are looking at having roughly 600 MCH caps. This should be enough to treat the 556 inventoried street and park Douglas fir trees. The remainder could be used for either trees in the Natural area or for trees on private property through a sign-up program. Gina would be in favor of IDL keeping the money aspect at IDL and having the city be the contact for the contractor and in charge of planning the treatment locations. Nick said that this is likely the direction that he will look to go as well and will have to check with the director before committing to that plan. Nick said that he appreciates the IDL being open to assisting with this project. Gina recommended a public outreach meeting to inform the public of the upcoming MCH treatment and provide the public with information on how to perform MCH private property. Michael Buedoin stated that there are funds to assist with the public outreach portion of the grant.

**6.) TRAILSIDE ARBOREATUM:** After a roundtable discussion the team asked to have Nick Email team the list and have, they go through. Nick is waiting on final plans to be submitted once that happens Nick can review the site plans and coordinate the planting.

#### **7) INSPECTION REQUESTS**

- 801 E St. Maries Ave: Douglas fir tree removal request: removal request denied as tree was found to be in good health and condition. Staff and committee will monitor in the spring for any changes.
- 907 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St.: Honeylocust removal request: Removal request approved based on condition of tree.
- 4278 N Alderbrook Dr.: Red maple tree removal request: Removal approved due to condition of tree and species.
- 918E CDA Ave.: Norway maple tree removal request: removal of Norway maple tree in ally approved due to location and site conflicts.

#### **10) ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting ended at 10:52

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester