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URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2021 8:05AM
City Hall – City Hall Conference Room 6

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Schwandt, (Chairman) via zoom
Bob Hallock via zoom
Gina Davis
JD Reeves
Erika Eidson
J.D. Reeves

STAFF PRESENT:

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester

GUESTS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Bloedel

Bruce Martinek

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 8:07 by John Schwandt

1) APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 1, 2021 MEETING-ACTION ITEM

Motion to approve with edits by Erika seconded by Gina all in favor.

2) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Beaudoin from IDL gave a brief update regarding some upcoming programs as well as the IDL arbor day grant Gina asked about a UFC funding grant, Michael said he would be going after some funding to acquire much for application to fight Douglas fir beetle.

3) FORESTERS REPORT

See attached report.

Look into Hanson tree inventory program.

4) ARBOR DAY 2021 IDEAS/DISCUSSION

Nick talked about Arbor Day 2021 being at McEuen park this year and doing a scaled back planting of likely two trees. With no food to encourage limited attendance as well as keep the event short and tree specific. There will also be a seedling planting on Tubbs hill in conjunction with a private citizen. Could possibly invite a class of 4th grade students to attend the tree planting.

Project learning tree Michelle Youngquist may be a good contact regarding getting Arbor Day on the school lesson plan/curriculum.

5) URBAN FORESTRY PROJECT IDEAS

Erika asked for an update on the Arboretum idea and Nick said that he has been focused primarily on Tubbs Hill but will speak with the director about getting something on the calendar to meet on site to get something going on this and make it a reality.

Add agenda item to go over the public communication process regarding letters and courtesy notices per Gina

Keep in communication with the Morse family to provide updates regarding our changes.

6) INSPECTION REQUESTS

640 N 6th street: Two large scale street trees removal approved due to trees condition and species. See if there is an option to extend planting area when doing sidewalk replacements.

7) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 10:52

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester