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URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES
JUNE 16TH, 2022 8:05AM
City Hall – City Hall Conference Room 6

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Schwandt
Bob Hallock
JD Reeves
Gina Davis.

STAFF PRESENT:

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester

GUESTS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Erika Eidson
Steve Bloedel
Bruce Martinek

Matt Perkins _IDL

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 8:15 by John Schwandt (Charmian).

1) MINUTES

JD Reeves presented a few minor corrections in the minutes. Motion by Bob Hallock to accept minutes with the three minor corrections. Seconded by JD Reeves all in favor.

2) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt Perkins mentioned that he finished the formatting issues with the Idaho Emerald Ash Borer preparedness program and that he will be launching that shortly.

3) FORESTERS REPORT:

See attached report.

4) URBAN FORESTRY PROJECT IDEAS:

John Schwandt gave a brief update regarding the American Chestnut trees. He has some trees that were grown from the American Chestnut trees from city hall that are being DNA tested. John asked if the city would be open to having the tree increment bored to age the trees. Nick Goodwin said that he is not opposed to it but knows they have been cored in the past for age and would prefer not to unless necessary. Nick Goodwin provided an update on the fencing for the American Chestnut trees and that he has plans to build material for this over the fall/winter and then look to install everything

spring 2024.

6.) INSPECTION REQUESTS:

- 913 Montana: Two Norway maple tree in right of way. Removal request due to issues with sidewalk and nuisance claims by the Controller. trees found to be in fair health and condition. Mitigation options are available to address concerns. Removal denied.
- 1058 N B. St: Request to install cable and bracing in tree. Committee discussed installation of hardware in right of way trees and decided to maintain current guidelines and not install due to the inability to guarantee inspection yearly. Request to install hardware denied, recommended load reduction pruning.

7.) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 9:34 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester