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URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16TH 2020 8:05AM
City Hall – City Hall Conference Room 6

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Schwandt, (Chairman) via zoom
Erika Eidson, (Vice Chairman)
Bob Hallock via zoom (came in at 8:03 am)
Gina Davis
Bruce Martinek

STAFF PRESENT:

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester
Bill Greenwood, Parks and Recreation
Director

GUESTS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Bloedel
JD Reeves

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting Called to order at 8:12 Seconded by Bob Hallock

1) APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 18, 2020 MEETING-ACTION ITEM

motion by Gina Davis to approve minutes with one minor correction. seconded by Bob Hallock. the motion was unanimously approved.

2) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Greenwood spoke to some mention that a citizen had concerns over tree removal at the new atlas park. There was some removal of trees at the over look of the river and for the shoreline restoration project several trees did have to be removed. Multiple agencies were involved in planning these removals including the previous Urban Forester Katie Kosanke. Bill Greenwood has stated that the city will be planting at least 330 trees to this site when the project is complete including multiple natural areas. The goal is to plant 500-600 addition trees to this site when the project is complete. Bill Greenwood went over the planting list that is currently shown on the Atlas Park plans. Gina Davis asked if there is any more work needing to be completed on site where the mill actually was. Bill stated that we are currently only working on pieces of property that we currently own. There are parcels that will be developed by private property owners. These projects will go through the project review process like all projects in CDA and will be addressed on a case by case basis. Bill then gave a brief update to the committee and mentioned that some issues the project has had regarding covid and supply of materials from the fires in Oregon and California. He offered to take the committee on a tour of the park before it is open to the public, Nick said he would get with bill and the committee and look at scheduling this before October.

3) FORESTERS REPORT

Please see the attached report.

4) URBAN FORESTRY PROJECT IDEAS

Gina Davis brought up the cemetery and asked if there are any other options at the cemetery swales to possibly mitigate that issue and wondered if it may be a problem further up government. Nick said that he did not think it was but there is a possibility. John and Gina Brought up the idea of protecting the American Chestnut trees at City Park. Nick said he will put this idea on a late fall/winter agenda and we can discuss with Bill Greenwood.

5) INSPECTION REQUESTS

- 822 N 5th St.
- 617 W Empire.
- 520 S 12th St.
- 885 W Parkhurst

6) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 10:15 am. Site inspections followed the meeting in the field.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Goodwin, Urban Forester