

Tree Committee Minutes

7 pm July 26, 2023
Council Chamber

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

The committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the USA Flag

Roll Call

Present:

Voting Members: Anastasia Doshna, David Botto, Linda Cohen, and Lisa Rehm

Staff: John W. Coffey, ICMA-CM, City Manager; Orrie Covert, Management Analyst

Excused: Neil Yorio (voting member) and Krista Ellingson (Alternate)

Approval of July 12, 2023 Minutes

Motion to approve the amended minutes by David Botto, second by Lisa Rehm, approved unanimously

Continuing Development of a Draft Tree Preservation Ordinance

- Discussed splitting back out the combined tree protection and mitigation with replacement trees sections. Consensus to keep unified under maintenance of replacement tree sections.
- Discussed need to update section numbers and references throughout the draft ordinance
- Discussion of right tree right place or right plant right place wording
- Discussed updated wording for Section 107-35 section e not being in the current version. The language was found and distributed to the committee for updating in the current version
- Consensus to delete Section 107-44 paragraph two
- Consensus to delete "natural" from Sec. 107-35
- Consensus to delete 2A in Section 107-35
- Consensus to add definitions: plant community, microclimate, evapotranspiration, impervious service, easement, stormwater management area, and mitigation plan
- Consensus to use scientific in place of botanical on top of page 9
- Merge Sec 107-41 into sec. 107-40
- Revised Sec. 107-42 to read "Replacement trees should not be planted in easement if they will interfere with utilities..."
- Consensus to soften and expand language in Sec. 107-46
- Discussion of the City purchasing a copy of book *Reducing Infrastructure Damage By Tree Roots: A Compendium of Strategies, 2003* by by Costello, L.R. & Jones, K.S.

Planning and Zoning Board Meeting Date and Time for Review of Draft Ordinance

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, Sep. 20th (dinner will be provided)

Selection of Next Meeting Date

Aug 15th and 30th at 7pm are the next meetings

General Discussion

N/A

Public Forum

N/A

Adjournment

David Botto motion to adjourn, consensus approved at 8:27 pm