



**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2010, 6:30PM
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT MAIN OFFICE, BOARD RM.
200 S. LAMAR BLVD.
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 16, 2010

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 4 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) Forestry including presentation regarding invasive species by Margaret Russell & Alice Nance
- b. Austin Energy
- c. Planning and Development Review Department

6. OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Briefing on Urban Forest Management Plan–Walter Passmore, PARC
- b. Strategic Work Plan
- c. Professional licensing of tree care professionals – Board Members Donnelly, Fleming and Wilson
- d. Education sign about why we leave snags – Board Members Fleming and Wilson
- e. Discussion of possible acquisition of city maintenance funds for Gateway Oaks – Board Members Halley and Maceo
- f. Discussion of Heritage Tree Ordinance – Board Member Halley
- g. Discussion of the state of the Urban Forest Summit – Board Member Halley

7. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Organizing a workday schedule for Urban Forest Steward graduates – Board Member Donnelly
- b. Discussion of ideal trees for specific areas that are cost effective – Board Member Classen
- c. Heritage trees species list update – Board Member Fleming
- d. Presentation by Mary Collins Blackmon, PARC, & Robin Camp, Public Works, to report on trees on Elisabet Ney Museum grounds – Board Member Halley
- e. Presentation by Walter Passmore, PARC, of Zilker tree rescue project grant application
- f. Grant funds for Margaret Hofmann Oaks plaque – Michael Embesi, PDRD
- g. Urban Forest Grant Program application request by Rene Barrera, PARC
- h. Request for new agenda items

8. ADJOURNMENT

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