

URBAN FORESTRY BOARD

Wednesday, July 27, 2011 - 6:30 p.m. City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Rm. 1029 Austin, Texas 78701

URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MEMBERS

Patrick Brewer, Chair Nicholas Classen Tom Hayes, Vice Chair Peggy Maceo **Ryan Fleming**

REVISED AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Urban Forestry Board meeting of June 15, 2011.

C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

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.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Members Jessica Wilson and Shannon Halley have taken jobs with the City of Austin and resigned their positions on the board. Their vacancies have been posted.

E. BRIEFINGS

- 1. Update on proposed disc golf course at Roy Guerrero Park Gene Faulk PARD Staff
- 2. City Arborist Program Monthly Update: Michael Embesi Presenter
- 3. Austin Energy Utility Forestry Staff Report: Ray Henning Presenter

F. EXECUTIVE LIAISON'S REPORT

1. Urban Forestry Program Staff Report Barton Springs Tree Maintenance – Walter Passmore, Urban Forestry Program Manager

G. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 1. **Discussion and Action Item:** Discuss and form UFB committee to address the various tree species lists used by the City for coordination and consolidation.
- 2. **Discussion and Action Item:** Review and discuss the watering of public trees during drought conditions and make recommendations to PARD Staff.
- 3. **Discussion Item and Action Item:** Review and discuss the care of public cemetery trees and make recommendation to PARD staff on promoting better care.
- 4. **Discussion Item:** Discuss needs, desired outcome and possible request to City Council in regard to FTE funding to support heritage tree outreach program within arborist program.

H. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

I. ADJOURNMENT

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