



**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

Wednesday, December 21, 2011 - 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Rm. 1029  
Austin, Texas 78701

**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MEMBERS**

**Patrick Brewer, Chair**  
**Nicholas Classen**  
**April Rose**

**Tom Hayes, Vice Chair**  
**Peggy Maceo**

**Ryan Fleming**  
**Christopher Kite**

**AGENDA**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Urban Forestry Board meeting of November 16, 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**

**E. BRIEFINGS**

1. City Arborist Program Monthly Update: Michael Embesi – City Arborist, Planning and Review Development Department
2. Austin Energy Utility Forestry Staff Report: Ray Henning – Line Clearance Superintendent, Austin Energy

**F. EXECUTIVE LIAISON'S REPORT**

Urban Forestry Program Staff Briefing – Walter Passmore, Urban Forestry Program Manager

1. Informational briefing about Trees #18 and #19 near Barton Springs Pool
2. Update about the Ready, Set, Plant seedling planting initiative
3. Water use patterns for Parks and Recreation water meters findings update
4. Comprehensive Urban Forest Management Plan progress and next steps
5. Texas State cooperative research project to create a shade index for street segments and trails

**G. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Discussion and Action Item:** Discuss and take action regarding request for time extension of an ongoing UFGP project for Forestry Program interns – Walter Passmore presenter.

2. **Discussion and Action Item:** Discuss and designate a planning liaison, or working group for Board retreat.

## **H. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

## **I. ADJOURNMENT**

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For more information on the Urban Forestry Board, please contact Walter Passmore at [walter.passmore@austintexas.gov](mailto:walter.passmore@austintexas.gov) or by phone at 974-9545.