



**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

Wednesday, August 15, 2012 - 5:30 p.m.  
City Hall 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 1029  
Austin, Texas 78701

**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MEMBERS**

**Patrick Brewer, Chair**  
**Nicholas Classen**

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

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

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Urban Forestry Board meeting of July 18, 2012.

**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. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Review and recommend action to City Council regarding a city-wide contract for tree trimming and removal services – deferred from July meeting

**NON CONSENT**

2. Provide a recommendation to City Council regarding the proposed Barton Springs Pool General Grounds Improvements. (PowerPoint Presentation).

Presenter: Brian Larson, Larson Burns and Smith, Inc. – Landscape Architects / Planners

3. Report to UFB on Working Group's progress on developing a pilot program in response to City Council Resolution 20120426-076, regarding tree care along transit corridors and in the urban core and make a recommendation on finalizing the pilot program proposal.

**4. UFB Review and update on Strategic Goals Progress Report**

**5. Recommendation for pruning or removal of the protected cottonwood behind the Barton Springs Pool diving board.**

Presenter: Angela Hanson, Acting Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department, Urban Forestry Program.

**6. Discussion of possible action for submittal of UFB comments on the proposed Urban Wildland Interface code to lessen fire hazards in the Austin area.**

UFB Working Group: Urban Wildland Interface Working Group sent this item to the board for discussion and possible action.

**7. Report to the UFB on Comprehensive Urban Forest Plan Working Group's progress**

Presenter: Angela Hanson, Acting Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department, Urban Forestry Program..

**8. Discuss moving remaining 2012 Urban Forestry Board meeting dates and/or time to allow for a different meeting space.**

**F. BRIEFINGS**

1. Mopac Bicycle and Pedestrian bridge at Barton Creek- Annick Beaudet, Public Works Department
2. City Arborist Program Monthly Update – Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department.
3. West Austin Park Pilot Project for Utilizing Recycled and Reclaimed Water for Trees – Ana Gonzalez, Parks and Recreation Department, Urban Forestry Program. (Backup Attached).
4. Boggy Creek Greenbelt Reach B8 Stream Restoration – Angela Hanson, Acting Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department, Urban Forestry Program.

**G. EXECUTIVE LIAISON'S REPORT**

Urban Forestry Program Staff Briefing – Angela Hanson, Acting Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department, Urban Forestry Program, including:

- Monthly Notification: Removal of protected size trees on parkland that constitute an imminent public safety hazard.
- Status of tree watering at City cemeteries, including volunteer watering.
- Review of Forestry Management Audit accepted August 8, 2012, by City Council's Audit and Finance Committee. (Backup Attached).

**H. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

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