

# URBAN FORESTRY BOARD REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 - 5:30 p.m.

Northwest Recreation Center Austin, Texas

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Christopher Kite, Chair Council Member Laura Morrison, Place 4
Len Newsom Council Member Bill Spelman, Place 5

Patrick Brewer Mayor Lee Leffingwell

Nicholas Classen

Ryan Fleming

Peggy Maceo (Vice-Chair)

Vacant

Mayor Pro-Tem Sheryl Cole, Place 6

Council Member Mike Martinez, Place 2

Council Member Kathie Tovo, Place 3

Council Member Chris Riley, Place 1

# **URBAN FORESTRY EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department
Pat Fuller, Division Manager, Parks and Recreation Department – Director Designee
Angela Hanson, Forestry Program Manager, Parks and Recreation Department
Jessica Wilson, Environmental Conservation Program Manager, Watershed Protection Department –
Director Designee

# **AGENDA**

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

## **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1. Approve the minutes of the Urban Forestry Board meeting of October 16, 2013.
- 2. Approve the minutes of the Special Called Urban Forestry Board meeting of October 30, 2013.

# C. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The first 4 (four) speakers signed up prior to the calling of the meeting to order are allowed a three-minute allotment each to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

## **D. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# E. URBAN FORESTER EXECUTIVE LIAISON REPORT – Angela Hanson, Urban Forester, including:

- Monthly briefing from Public Works Department.
- Monthly Notification: Removal of protected size trees on parkland that constitute an imminent public safety risk.
- Leaving snags on Parkland.
- Update on items related to the Austin Urban Forest Plan.
- Current State of Municipal Forestry in Texas from an Austin Perspective

## F. ACTION ITEM BRIEFINGS

- 1. Discuss and approve meeting location for calendar year 2014. Presenter: Chris Kite, Board Chair.
- 2. Discuss items related to Urban Forestry Board Urban Forest Plan.

#### G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Approve meeting location for calendar year 2014. Presenter: Chris Kite, Board Chair.
- 2. Consider approval of items related to Urban Forestry Board Comprehensive Urban Forest Plan.

# H. BRIEFINGS – 10 Minute Limit For Each Briefing

- 1. Update on Auditorium Shores Plans. Presenter: Marty Stump, Project Manager Supervisor and Terry Jungman, Project Coordinator, Park Planning, Design and Construction, PARD.
- 2. Sunshine Camp Redevelopment Project. Presenter: Michele Rogerson Lynch, Director of Land Use and Entitlements, Metcalfe Wolff Stuart and Williams, LLP.
- 3. Austin Energy Line Clearance Monthly Update September and October, 2013. Ray Henning, Line Clearance Superintendent, Austin Energy.
- 4. City Arborist Program Tree Presentation and Replenishment Monthly Update September and October 2013. Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department.
- 5. City Arborist Program Heritage Tree Monthly Update September and October 2013. Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department.
- 6. Downtown Tree Inventory Report. Presenter: Michael Embesi, City Arborist.

#### I. FUTURE ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

## J. ADJOURNMENT

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For more information on the Urban Forestry Board, please contact Angela Hanson at angela.hanson@austintexas.gov or by phone at 974-9551.