



**URBAN FORESTRY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 2014 - 5:30 p.m.  
Austin Energy - Town Lake Center  
721 Barton Springs Road  
Assembly Room 130  
Austin, Texas**

<b>URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT</b>	<b>:</b>
Christopher Kite, Chair	Council Member Laura Morrison, Place 4	
Peggy Maceo (Vice-Chair)	Council Member Kathie Tovo, Place 3	
Len Newsom	Council Member Bill Spelman, Place 5	
Patrick Brewer	Mayor Lee Leffingwell	
Nicholas Classen	Mayor Pro-Tem Sheryl Cole, Place 6	
Ryan Fleming	Council Member Mike Martinez, Place 2	
Keith Brown	Council Member Chris Riley, Place 1	

<b>URBAN FORESTRY EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS</b>	<b>:</b>
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	
John Clement, Environmental Program Coordinator, 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 March 19, 2014

### **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:**

- Update -- Public Works Department.
- Monthly Notification: Removal of protected size trees on parkland that constitute an imminent public safety risk.

## **F. ACTION ITEM BRIEFINGS**

1. Discuss Soil Volume Resolution. Presenter – Patrick Brewer, UFB Board Member.
2. Update on The Urban Forest Plan for Private Property and the role of the UFB in this process. Presenter: Peggy Maceo, UFB Board Vice-Chair.
3. Discussion and consideration of Bicycle Master Plan Update and Urban Trails Master Plan. Presenter: Nathan Wilkes, Public Works Department.

## **G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approve Soil Volume Resolution presentation to City Council, May, 2014. Presenter: Patrick Brewer – UFB Board Member.
2. Update on The Urban Forest Plan for Private Property and the role of the UFB in this process. Presenter: Peggy Maceo, UFB Board Vice-Chair.
3. Approval of Bicycle Master Plan and Urban Trails Master Plan. Presenter: Nathan Wilkes, Public Works Department.

## **H. BRIEFINGS – 10 Minute Limit For Each Briefing**

1. Possible Solutions for Improving the Growing Environment for Streetscape Trees, a University of Texas Civil Engineering student project. Presenter Kevin Nicoletta, University of Texas Civil Engineering student.
2. Austin Energy Line Clearance Monthly Update – March 2014. Ray Henning, Line Clearance Superintendent, Austin Energy.
3. City Arborist Program Tree Preservation and Replenishment Monthly Update March 2014. Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department.
4. City Arborist Program Heritage Tree Monthly Update – March 2014. Michael Embesi, City Arborist, Planning and Development Review Department.
5. Update on formation of Treaty Oak Task Force Working Group.

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

2013 Heritage Tree Report – May 21, 2014.

Food Forest Plan: Presenter: Meredith Gray, Conservation Program Coordinator, PARD.

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

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least 4 (four) days before the meeting date. Please call Robert Clawson at the Parks and Recreation Department, at 978-2600, for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

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