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Meeting Minutes HABITAT STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE (Parks)

Thursday, November 14, 2013

4: **@oBM**man Maint. Facility, 1402 Wingra Creek Pkwy, 1st Floor Conference Room

I CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Bassett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members Present: Bassett, Gere, Glass, Ragland and Woods.

Parks Staff present: Charlie Romines, Park Operations Manager; Marla Eddy, City Forester; Russ Hefty, Conservation Resource Supervisor.

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Gere to Approve the Minutes of the May 23, 2013 meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

III PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no registrants for Public Comment for items not on the agenda.

IV DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals by members of the Subcommittee.

V NEW BUSINESS

A New Street Tree Additions

City Forester Marla Eddy presented the updated Street Tree Approved Species list to the Subcomittee. Eddy indicated that the list was changed slightly from prior years with a continued focus on promoting biodiversity in the planting of terrace trees.

A motion was made by Glass, seconded by Ragland to Approve the Approved Species List. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

B 2013 Heritage Tree Nomination

Marla Eddy presented the 2013 Heritage Tree Committee's list of recommended trees for the distinction of Heritage Tree status.

A motion was made by Glass, seconded by Gere, to Approve the 2013 Heritage Tree Nominations and Recommend the List to the Park Commission. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

C Land Management Plan Review

Registered Speaker: Si Widstrand, spekaing in support and available to answer questions.

Charlie Romines presented the Land Management Plan to the Subcommittee and discussed how the plan had been updated and modified based on public, committee and staff input over the past few months. Romines indicated that the next step would be to take this to the Long Range Planning Subcomittee as well and then on to the Park Commission for Adoption.

A motion was made by Woods, seconded by Gere, to Approve the Land Management Plan and Recommend the Plan to the Park Commission. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

D 32070 Further Large Scale Restoration Plans at Cherokee Marsh

Russ Hefty presented the project plan to continue with the restoration plans at Cherokee Marsh. The Subcommittee discussed the ongoing efforts at Cherokee and Hefty provided examples of the numerous successful steps that have already occurred. Hefty also discussed how Parks continues to work with stakeholders to ensure communication of next steps of the project work. A motion was made by Woods, seconded by Gere, to Approve the project plan. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

E Setting 2014 Meeting Dates

Park Operations Manager Charlie Romines presented the tenative list for 2014 meeting dates and requested Subcommittee members contact him if there were conflicts.

VI ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Glass, seconded by Gere, to Adjourn at 5:17 P.M.. The motion passed by voice vote/other.