



**Meeting Minutes - Draft**  
**HABITAT STEWARDSHIP**  
**SUBCOMMITTEE (Parks)**

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Tuesday, November 22, 2022

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Virtual

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**1 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

A meeting of the Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee was held at 4:30 PM on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 via virtual meeting. The meeting was called to order at 4:37 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed. Members Present: Stephen Glass; Moira Harrington; Kelly Kearns; and Brock Woods.

Members excused: Sean Gere.

Parks Staff Present: Greg Genin; Katelyn Pratt; Paul Quinlan; and Nataliya Akulenko.

City Staff Present: Matt Allie; Madeline Dumas; and Janet Schmidt, Engineering; Craig Klinke, Streets.

**2 [74475](#)**

Approval of the Minutes of the August 16, 2022 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee meeting.

Motion made by Woods, seconded by Kearns, to Approve the Minutes of the August 16, 2022 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

**3 [74476](#)**

Public Comment

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

**4 DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS**

None.

PUBLIC HEARING - 4:40PM

**5 [74485](#)**

Public Hearing- Stormwater Utility Request for Tree Removal Permit for Mendota Grassman Greenway Flood Mitigation and Restoration Project

The Public Hearing was declared open at 4:41 pm. Registrants Kevin Milliken and Sharon Milliken spoke in support.

Madeline Dumas, City Engineering presented on the Proposed Stormwater Utility Request for Tree Removal Permit for Mendota Grassman Greenway Flood Mitigation and Restoration Project. The Committee members had several inquiries regarding the plan.

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Approve A Tree Removal Permit with the recommendation to take into account the Committee's concern about losing carbon sequestration; to minimize tree removal, especially of large trees; and to move in stepwise fashion. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Approve - Kelly Kearns; Brock Woods.**

**Oppose - Stephen Glass.**

**The Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:35 pm.**

6 [74512](#)

Public Hearing - Stormwater Utility Request for Tree Removal Permit for Lower Badger Mill Creek Pond Flood Mitigation Project

**The Public Hearing was declared open at 6:35 pm. Matt Allie, City Engineering presented on the Proposed Stormwater Utility Request for Tree Removal Permit for Lower Badger Mill Creek Pond Flood Mitigation Project. The Committee members had several inquiries regarding the plan.**

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Approve A Tree Removal Permit with the recommendation to take into account the Committee's concern about losing carbon sequestration; to minimize tree removal, especially of large trees and to move in stepwise fashion. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Approve - Kelly Kearns; Brock Woods.**

**Oppose - Stephen Glass.**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7 [71362](#)

Madison Gas & Electric Line Clearance Request for an Annual Forestry Permit.

**Conservation Resource Supervisor Paul Quinlan introduced the item, indicating that a public hearing was held regarding this item in May and that, in error, Habitat Stewardship did not take action on the item at that time. Forestry Operations Supervisor Craig Klinke was available to answer questions regarding the pruning permit and permitting process. No action was taken.**

8 [68420](#)

Discussion of 5-year review of Parks' Land Management Plan

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Refer the item to the February 14, 2023 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

9 [74527](#)

2023 Meeting Format and Schedule

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Approve the Dates for the 2023 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee meetings. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

10      [74528](#)      Presentation on Olbrich Gardens Garden Scout Program

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Refer the item to the February 14, 2023 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Kearns, seconded by Woods, to Adjourn at 7:13 PM.  
Motion passed by voice vote/other.**