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## Master

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File Name: SUBSTITUTE Accepting the final report and

recommendations from the Urban Forestry Task

Force.

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Force.

Notes:

Sponsors: Sheri Carter and Keith Furman Effective Date:

Attachments: 2019 Urban Forestry Task Force Final

Report/Recommendations.pdf, 8/12/19 SUBSTITUTE Page 11 / Urban Forestry Task Force Report.pdf, 8/2/19 Email S. Ward to TPPB Members.pdf, 7/22/10 SMC Proposed Amendment to Resolution.pdf, 7/3/19 UDC Recommendation ForestryReport.pdf, 4/4/19

UFTF Meeting - Early Draft for Discussion.pdf

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#### **Approval History**

Version	Date	Approver	Action
1		Elizabeth York	Approve
2		Elizabeth York	Approve

## History of Legislative File

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	URBAN FORESTRY TASK FORCE	04/04/2019	Refer	URBAN FORESTRY TASK			Pass

Action Text: Motion made by McAuliffe, seconded by Suska, to Refer to the next meeting of the Urban Forestry

Task Force. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

1 URBAN FORESTRY 04/18/2019 Re-refer URBAN Pass

TASK FORCE FORESTRY TASK

FORCE

Action Text: Motion made by Wolfe, seconded by McAuliffe, to Re-Refer to next meeting of the Urban Forestry Task

Force. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

1 URBAN FORESTRY 05/02/2019 Re-refer URBAN Pass

TASK FORCE FORESTRY TASK

FORCE

Action Text: Motion made by McAuliffe, seconded by Rewey, to Re-Refer to the next meeting of the Urban Forestry

Task Force. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

1 URBAN FORESTRY 05/30/2019 Re-refer URBAN Pass

TASK FORCE FORESTRY TASK

**FORCE** 

Action Text: Motion made by Suska, seconded by Rewey, to Re-Refer to the next meeting of the Urban Forestry

Task Force. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

1 URBAN FORESTRY 06/27/2019

TASK FORCE

Action Text: Motion made by McAuliffe, seconded by Wolfe, to Accept the Final Report and Recommendations

from the Urban Forestry Task Force and recommend that it be introduced to the Common Council for

referral. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

Parks Division 07/01/2019 Referred for

Introduction

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred for Introduction

Notes: Board of Park Commissioners, Finance Committee, Urban Design Commission, Plan Commission, Board of Public

Works, Committee on the Environment, Sustainable Madison Committee

1 COMMON COUNCIL 07/02/2019 Refer BOARD OF PARK Pass

COMMISSIONERS

Action Text: A motion was made by Bidar, seconded by Harrington-McKinney, to Refer to the BOARD OF PARK

COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Notes: Additional referrals to Finance Committee, Urban Design Commission, Plan Commission, Board of Public Works,

Committee on the Environment, Sustainable Madison Committee, Transportation Policy and Planning Board

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/02/2019 Referred FINANCE COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the FINANCE COMMITTEE

Notes:

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/02/2019 Referred URBAN DESIGN 07/31/2019

COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

Notes:

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/03/2019 Referred PLAN

COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the PLAN COMMISSION

Notes:

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/03/2019 Referred BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC WORKS

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Notes:

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/03/2019 Referred COMMITTEE ON

COMMISSIONERS THE

ENVIRONMENT

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Notes:

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1 BOARD OF PARK 07/03/2019 Referred SUSTAINABLE 07/22/2019

COMMISSIONERS MADISON

COMMITTEE

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the SUSTAINABLE MADISON COMMITTEE

Notes:

1 BOARD OF PARK 07/03/2019 Referred TRANSPORTATIO 08/05/2019

COMMISSIONERS N POLICY AND

PLANNING BOARD

**Pass** 

Pass

Action Text: This Resolution was Referred to the TRANSPORTATION POLICY AND PLANNING BOARD

Notes:

1 COMMON COUNCIL 07/16/2019

1 BOARD OF PUBLIC 07/17/2019 Return to Lead with BOARD OF PARK

WORKS the COMMISSIONERS

Recommendation

for Approval

Action Text: Jim Wolfe, Engineering Division, Dan McAuliffe, Planning Division, and Marla Eddy, Parks Division,

presented details. A motion was made by Branson, seconded by Adams, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by

voice vote/other.

Notes:

1 SUSTAINABLE MADISON 07/22/2019 Return to Lead with BOARD OF PARK

COMMITTEE the COMMISSIONERS

Recommendation

for Approval

Action Text: A motion was made by DeMarb, seconded by Ald. Evers, to Return to Lead with the

Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by

voice vote/other.

Dan McAuliffe of Planning Department presented background and recommendations of Urban Forestry Taskforce. Taskforce met 35 times over past year and develop report that was referred by council for review by Parks Commission. McAuliffe reviewed recommendations for private and parks trees that may require zoning code update and policy and procedure changes. DeMarb requested that final report recommendations should have priorities defined, specific timeframes and actions that will need budget action. She feels without specifics and timeframes the report will languish and not be acted on. McAuliffe and Eddy will work with report to add specifics. DeMarb and other Committee members wanted to add a more specific "Be it Further Resolved" clause at the end of the resolution that specifically called out staff in various departments brining forward recommendations and cost benefits within a specific timeframe. Suggested wording:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a cross-functional staff team from Parks, Parks-Forestry, City Engineering, and Planning be created to prioritize, 3-5 specific recommendations from the report, with implementation timelines, specific costs and cost-benefit analysis, that will be presented to the Common Council by February, 2020 for consideration in the 2021 budget Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Notes:

1 URBAN DESIGN 07/31/2019 Return to Lead with BOARD OF PARK Pass

COMMISSION the COMMISSIONERS

Recommendation

for Approval

Action Text: A motion was made by Bernau, seconded by DeChant, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation

for Approval to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Notes:

TRANSPORTATION 08/05/2019 Return to Lead with BOARD OF PARK
POLICY AND PLANNING the COMMISSIONERS

BOARD Recommendation

for Approval

Action Text: Dan McAuliffe, from City Planning and Marla Eddy from Parks, gave a presentation on the UFTF report

and were available for questions.

A motion to move approval was made by Alder Kemble, seconded by Alder Furman. The motion  ${\bf r}$ 

passed by voice vote other.

FINANCE COMMITTEE 08/12/2019
 PLAN COMMISSION 08/12/2019

#### **Text of Legislative File 55206**

#### **Fiscal Note**

The proposed resolution includes 46 recommendations for future action. The implementation of these recommendations do not have an immediate fiscal impact but may result in the need for increased funding in future years.

#### **Title**

Accepting the final report and recommendations from the Urban Forestry Task Force.

## **Body**

WHEREAS, the Urban Forestry Task Force was created by the City of Madison Common Council at their August 1, 2017 meeting and charged with the following objectives:

- Review available research and best practices on promoting a vibrant, healthy, and sustainable urban forest.
- Review City policies, practices, programs, and operations that impact the urban forest (e.g. Zoning Code, Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation Plan).
- Solicit input from local stakeholders with additional information on the issue as needed (e.g. WI DNR).
- Develop recommendations to the Mayor, Common Council, Committees or Commissions, and/or City agencies on the establishment of a Canopy Coverage Goal and action plan for the city covering both public and private trees.
- Develop recommendations to the Mayor, Common Council, Committees or Commissions, and/or City agencies to preserve and expand our urban forest resources through a well-planned and systematic approach to tree management.
- Develop recommendations to encourage private landowners to protect, preserve and promote a diverse and sustainable urban forest; and,

#### WHEREAS, the Task Force included:

- Chair: Jeremy Kane, Associate Director of Urban Tree Alliance, Resident
- Vice Chair: Jackie Suska, Resident
- Former Alderperson David Ahrens, Common Council, District 15 (January 2018 April 2019)
- Alderperson Sheri Carter, Former Common Council Vice President, District 14
- Lisa Coleman, City Engineering Division (January 2018 July 2018)
- Marla Eddy, City Forester
- Alderperson Keith Furman, Common Council, District 19 (April 2019 present)
- Julie Laundrie, Resident
- Dan McAuliffe, City Planning Division

- Michael Rewey, Resident
- James Wolfe, City Engineering Division (July 2018 present); and,

WHEREAS, the Task Force first convened on January 11, 2018 and held a series of thirty-five (35) meetings plus one (1) Public Input meeting; and,

WHEREAS, the Task Force, in consultation with City staff, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Madison Gas & Electric, the University of Wisconsin-Madison/UW-Extension, reviewed available research and best practices on promoting a vibrant, healthy, and sustainable urban forest as well as City policies, practices, programs, and operations that impact the urban forest; and,

WHEREAS, the final report contains recommendations regarding Canopy Coverage,
Preservation and Expansion of Urban Tree Resources, and the Protection and Promotion of a
Diverse and Sustainable Urban Forest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council accept the final report and recommendations of the Urban Forestry Task Force.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Common Council directs the Council Chief of Staff to present next steps to Common Council Executive Committee.