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Meeting Minutes - Approved URBAN FORESTRY TASK FORCE

Thursday, April 5, 2018

12:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Rm 103A (City-County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Urban Forestry Task Force was held at 12:30PM on April 5, 2018 at City-County Building, Rm 103A. The meeting was called to order at 12:30PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed. Members Present: Lisa Coleman; Jeremy Kane; Michael Rewey; and Jackie Suska.

Members Absent: Ald. David Ahrens; Ald Sheri Carter; and Dan McAuliffe;

Members Excused: Marla Eddy.

Parks Staff Present: Lisa Laschinger; Brad Hoffman; and Liz Levy.

City Staff Present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Rewey, seconded by Suska, to Approve the Minutes of the March 22, 2018 Urban Forestry Task Force meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Ald. David Ahrens and Dan McAuliffe arrived at 12:33PM.

Members Present: Ald. David Ahrens; Lisa Coleman; Jeremy Kane; Dan

McAuliffe; Michael Rewey; and Jackie Suska.

Members Absent: Ald. Sheri Carter. Members Excused: Marla Eddy.

None.

REPORTS

<u>51021</u> Forestry Section Update

Motion made by Rewey, seconded by Ahrens, to REFER to the next meeting of the URBAN FORESTRY TASK FORCE. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

51042 Task Force Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>50795</u> Land Use Planning Policy Review

Forestry Specialist Brad Hofmann presented on the private Development Assistance Team (DAT). The task force identified areas of interest as updating the Public Works Tree Protection Specifications, preventing damage to Mall trees, reviewing fire access requirements and standards for planting trees in vision corners, and considering the terrace earlier in the street reconstruction process. They also discussed calculating private canopy coverage, and as well as how to educate and incentivize private owners.

Hofmann suggested the task force consider challenges provided by building setback, lack of space for construction work without damaging trees, and the pressure of urban growth versus canopy retention.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Rewey, seconded by Coleman, to Adjourn at 2:01PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

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