

Feb 3, 2026 Tree committee meeting

Committee Members:

David Cloward
Michelle Coker
Janet Simonich
Laura Bakker
Matt Evans
Walter Roseman
Jocelyn Kessler
Josie Taber
Chris McGraw
David Zwicky
BrynHeather Johnson
Rhett Ogden
Brent Williams
Taylor Parker
Maryann Pickering
Dillon Blyler
Lyndsey Greenberg
Todd Draper
Logan Mathews

Attendees:

David Cloward
Laura Bakker
Matt Evans
Chris McGraw
David Zwicky
Rhett Ogden
Brent Williams
Taylor Parker
Jen Jastremsky
Dillon Blyler
Logan Mathews

Agenda

1. Welcome and roll call - introduce new arborist
2. Approval of previous meeting minutes from November, 2025
3. City updates
 1. Committee Roles - Rhett Ogden
 2. City Project Updates
 3. Schedule for Community development adoption of new planting specs & inspection
 4. Timoney street Sycamores status
 5. Status of proposed street tree removal guideline proposed in December
 6. Presentation of New Water Element Plan by Jen Jastremsky
4. Public Education
 1. Tree talks

2. Localscapes
3. Draper Forward
5. Budget and planting
 1. New arborist involvement in leading planting project selection
 2. Potential projects
 1. Use of private donor funds - Parks
 2. Replacement of dead trees
 3. Beautification of city entrances and street trees on major thoroughfares
 4. Disc golf course plans and private funding
6. Other Committee Business by Motion
7. Adjournment

Notes:

New Arborist - Logan introduced himself and left the meeting; he was too busy to participate in the meeting

Meeting minutes were approved

Dillon talked about new project between 7th and 13th on Pioneer Road. That will be this summer. Lone Peak Parkway is set for 2027

Discussion about Community development adopting the tree planting specs:

- Fastest way might be to update the tree guide and include specs on how to plant the trees
- Michelle can work with engineering to get the tree planting specs the city is using for street trees and we can add it to the street tree guide. Community development

Discussion about the Timoney street trees and the resulting

- Discussion about avoiding the proposed criteria for tree removal
- Tree committee will draft a proposal along with the arborist for the proposed process to evaluate the mitigation efforts on trees
- Homeowner should have access to assessment or discussion with the 3rd party arborist that the city will use

Michelle asked about the city starting to do a tree inventory management system and offered volunteer help. Rhett said they have started the process. We could use tree committee funds.

- Taylor said they have a software program that they have already started using and would like to spend some time and effort to implement it to see if it will be sufficient to achieve the goals.

Tree Talks and Localscapes to be held here in council chambers - Michelle encouraged tree committee members

Water plan pushed to next month - Jen will join again in March

Proposal put forward for a field trip by the committee and arborist to identify planting projects for discussion in the March meeting. Michelle

Draper Forward - Jocelyn has been managing it. Michelle will follow up with Jocelyn

Action items:

1. Rhett to provide the city street tree planting spec and put forward resolution to have the spec added to the street tree guide
2. Proposal for mitigation of trees lifting sidewalks: sub-committee to meet to write proposed process and criteria
3. Planting projects: Dave to schedule field trip for determination of planting opportunities