

Draper Tree commission meeting - Tuesday June 1, 2021 8:00 a.m. Meeting notes Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Approve Minutes from May 4, 2021
3. Committee Reports
4. Sub Committee Reports
5. Open and Public Meetings Act Training
6. Adjournment

Attendees:

1. Fred Lowry
2. Josh Young
3. Michelle Coker
4. Todd Hammond
5. Walter Roseman
6. David Cloward
7. Laura Bakker
8. Lisa Wilcox
9. Rhett Ogden
10. Tom Flynn
11. Laura Oscarson

Public outreach committee

- Josh spoke to the progress of getting the information relative to this season and the link in the e-newsletter
- Josh will continue to build out content on the website with the help of others on the committee

City codes committee

- Christine, city development director left and the pre-work for the commission is still on hold behind other priorities
- Janet and Laura could possibly do pre-work by reviewing JV Water conservancy recommendations for applicable recommendations

Lavar Christensen, the citizen responsible for the Draper Days concert, requested to remove a tree next to the playground that blocks a large portion of audience view of the stage. Rhett explained that he has reviewed this and determined that the tree is intended to provide shade year round. Tree commission to go take a look.

Lisa Wilcox - a tree commission member discussed further the situation in front of her house.

- Laura explained that crushed cement leaches chemicals that affects the trees
- Tom has been out to the site and said there are more things going on with some of the trees such as - planting, irrigation.
- Todd has been speaking with the contractor about this. They have proposed fertilization and irrigation and try trimming off the dead branches and see how they do. Then at that point, if they don't respond, then they would propose replacing the trees. Tom explained that a few weeks isn't going to make the difference. Todd asked if there was any sign of disease on the trees. Lisa wondered if there was disease originally, but the city arborist took a cutting and didn't report back.
- We discussed options of fixing the root cause and cost of fixing on the front end vs. the back end.
- Fred said he feels strongly that the city is hearing what the commission is saying and suggested we look at 13800 South as a test case.
- Fred said a few of the trees are for sure dead and Tom wanted to get these replaced before warranty ends
- Action to do a test case of Lisa's house and the options we can work with the tree contractor. Lisa to join. Todd to coordinate.
- Lisa asked what is the responsibility of the homeowner

Laura did the training for public meetings

- When create an agenda and make it specific enough for a resident to know whether they want to come to the meeting.
- Everything in the minutes should reflect what is on the agenda. New items should be raised and brought, but discussed on the next meeting agenda.
- Tree commission committee members has been expanded from 9 to 11 members, and the quorum can be increased to four. This will be done at the June 15th city council meeting.

Actions

1. City codes sub-committee to review Jordan Valley water conservancy
2. Todd to coordinate a test case of Lisa's house and the options we can work with the tree contractor. Lisa to join.
3. Josh to continue work on content for website
4. Dave to look at the tree in Draper park for Lavar