

Minutes
Urban Forestry & Beautification Commission
June 23, 2016

Members Present: , Jansen Litter, Todd Wales, Alex Teass, Andrew Heckaman, Bobbi Strangfeld, Gail Bason, Al Delgado (Council Representative), and Mike Lippert (Staff Representative)
Others Present: Brad Bonham

Minutes of May 25, 2016

Minutes were approved.

Reports from Subcommittees

Street Trees: Jansen, Alex, and Brad met with Terry Huxel and Mike Lippert to discuss ways to improve street tree purchasing. The City has a long-standing working relationship with John Garnes of Jada. Because of the current limited availability of trees, it was agreed that UF&BC should enter the tree selection process earlier. The Committee plans to develop a list of acceptable and unacceptable trees (of different sizes) as well as the approximate quantities required of each to submit to Jada in the summer. In addition, if the selected cultivars are unavailable in the required quantities, the committee wants to review possible substitutions suggested by Jada. The city's current ongoing tree replacement list includes 66 trees, 12 of which are park trees. The committee's goal is to reserve good trees early to get the best selection. It was noted that Terry would consider smaller trees (1-1/4" dbh maybe) and other suppliers (as budget permits) to obtain the full selection of replacement trees if recommended by the UF&BC. Ultimately, the full Commission will need to vote on the subcommittee's recommendations.

Green Areas Trust: No report.

Public Planting: No report.

Old Business – None

New Business -

The Commission reviewed the submitted award nominees. There was a total of 12. Below are the properties that the board selected to receive awards along with the board member responsible for contacting each:

101 Elm	Landscaping	Gail Bason
26 Mt. Pleasant	Urban Forestry	Todd Wales
239 Compton Ridge	Architectural	Corrie Carswell
621 Springfield Pike	Landscaping	Andrew Heckaman
Centennial Park	Community Spirit	Bobbi Strangfeld
338 Willowbrook	Landscaping	Al Delgado

338 Willowbrook award was contingent on further site visits of commission members who had not seen it. Mike will check with Megan Statt Blake regarding the Baldwin House nominee at 217 Springfield Pike. Is this a possible Historic Preservation award?

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Mike Lippert