

City of Gainesville
Advisory Board/Committee Workplan

Board/Committee Name: Tree Appeals Board

FY 2008 - 2010 WORKPLAN PROJECTS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Status</u>
<p>Appeals for reconsideration of trees to be removed:</p> <p>(1) Met with 15 residents of the neighborhood near NE 2nd Street and 12th Avenue regarding opposition to tree removals from the public rights-of-way on both streets in order to complete the Public Works upgrade of the NE 2nd Street.</p> <p>(2) An appeal is pending regarding Forest Creek Subdivision, 3100 NW 17th Street, to resolve issues regarding tree removal to accommodate the construction of a sidewalk. The issue of whether the pine tree on one lot can be removed to accommodate solar on another lot was resolved by advising the developer that he could request removal of the tree only if he were in compliance with the Code requirement that he secure a building permit for the lot on which the pine tree grows. Gainesville's rule is that an entire subdivision is not to be cleared of trees all at once, but only as preparation is made to build the home that requires the trees' removal.</p>	<p><i>On-going</i></p>

OUTSTANDING REFERRALS (as of December 1, 2007)

<u>Date of Referral</u>	<u>Referral Description</u>	<u>Status</u>
	<p>Since our last report to the City Commission in 2007, the City Arborist and staff have handled the posting and removal of 324 hazardous trees for removal from public property. Calls from residents expressing concern regarding these removals were handled in such a way that a formal appeal did not occur. In some situations, the representative of the Tree Advisory Board that is not a member of the Tree Appeals Board and therefore unlikely to be involved in the hearing, provided an evaluation of the tree to the City Arborist. This level of assurance to residents concerned that trees might be taken down before their time has helped develop community confidence in Gainesville's wise management of the urban forest.</p>	

**ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
FY 2009-2010 SPECIAL PROJECT/ACTIVITY BUDGET REQUEST**

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Project Priority Funding Request No. _____ of _____

FY 2008-2010 Proposed Project

Project Title

No funding is requested.

Summary Description of Project

Expected Benefits:

