

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

February 10, 2021

4:00 PM

Virtual Workshop

Tree Advisory Board

Erick Smith (Chair)
Marc Frank (Member)
C. Elisabeth Manley (Member)
Russell Adams (Member)
Ryan Klein (Member)
Elisabeth Staten (Student Seat)

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1 Call to Order - 4:00 PM**2 Roll Call**

Present 6 - Member Frank, Chair Smith, Member Manley, Adams, Student Seat Staten, and Klein

3 Old Business[200683.](#)

Community Outreach Following Completion of Urban Forest Management Plan

Member Manley sent out a presentation outline and reviewed major points with the board. Member Frank made a suggestion to explain all vocabulary used in the presentation. The board discussed ways to make the presentation short and to the point, while covering as much relevant information as possible. Arborist Conser mentioned that physical meetings with himself and community leaders would help get rid of bad connotations regarding trees.

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Continue Discussions Regarding Tree Ordinance Revisions

The board discussed suggested tree lists offered by the city. Member Frank advised the board to be using regulatory lists, not suggested lists for the invasive plant list. Chair Smith requests that the board review, comment, and build on the tree list.

RECOMMENDATION

Review proposed ordinance language and recommend revisions.

4 Public Works Update

Arborist Conser is working on budgeting through the public works department. He also put together a list of approved trees to be reviewed by the board. This list is to be different than that of the tree matrix found on the Urban Forestry Management plan.

5 GRU Update

Forester Wolf met with Arborist Conser and Horticulturalist Eric Kohnen to share GIS data layers between GRU, Alachua County, and the City of Gainesville so that each party may see below ground utilities with ease. Forester Wolf also shared data on the amount of money GRU saved its customers through COVID relief in the year of 2020.

6 Dept. of Sustainable Development Update

No update

7 Adjourn - 5:34 PM

