



City of Woodinville, Washington

TREE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF September 25, 2013

Woodinville City Hall City Council Chambers, 17301 133rd Avenue NE, Woodinville, WA

<p><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></p>	<p>The regular meeting for the Woodinville Tree Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Tom Quigley.</p>
<p><u>ROLL CALL</u></p>	<p><u>Tree Board Present:</u> Chair Tom Quigley, Board Member Waters, and Board Member Yabroff</p> <p><u>Absent:</u> Board Member Manickam and Board Member Munniks</p> <p><u>City Staff Present:</u> Sarah Ruether, Planner</p> <p>MAIN MOTION: to excuse Board Members Manickam and Munniks</p> <p>Motion by: Board Member Quigley</p> <p>Second by: Board Member Waters</p> <p>Action for the Main Motion: PASSED 3 - 0</p> <p>Vote: Ayes: 3 Nayes: None Abstain: None</p>
<p><u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER AND CONTENT</u></p>	<p>Chair Quigley noted there was a consensus to make no changes.</p>
<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><u>BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS</u></p>	
<p><i>Approval of August 28, 2013, Regular Tree Board Minutes</i></p>	<p>1. <u>Approval of August 28, 2013 Tree Board Meeting Minutes</u></p> <p>Tree Board approved the regular meeting minutes of August 28, 2013, as presented.</p> <p>MAIN MOTION: to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 28, 2013, as presented.</p>

	<p>Motion by: Chair Quigley Second by: Board Member Yabroff Action for the Main Motion: PASSED 3 - 0 Vote: Ayes: 3. Nays: None. Abstain: None.</p>
<p><i>Discussion and Review of Tree Regulations and Proposed Recommendations</i></p>	<p><u>2. Discussion & Review of Tree Regulations and Proposed Recommendations</u></p> <p>Board Member Yabroff recommended taking a bigger picture look at tree regulations to see if they are having the desired effect. His concern is that, if the process to get a permit is too onerous or costly, no one will apply for a permit. He would like to look at implementing the idea of giving a credit towards future years (healthy trees) so that a homeowner could take more trees down at once if they agree not to remove any of the future years' credited trees. The other Board Members agreed that this was something that should be made as part of the new regulations. Mr. Yabroff, also, wanted to incorporate a limit on how many trees are enough for a wooded site.</p> <p>The board discussed the landscaping code and wondered how this fit in with proposed tree code changes. Planner Ruether said she thought this is part of the Comprehensive Plan update and the work would feed that update.</p> <p>Board Member Yabroff had a few questions about how the City's landscaping code worked and didn't think the point system in the City of Seattle green factor made sense. Planner Ruether said that after the staff report was written she learned that the City of Redmond had a similar concept as the Seattle green factor, except it is easier to understand. The Tree Board asked if they could see a copy of the Redmond code at their next meeting. Planner Ruether said she liked the idea of the green factor because it provided more flexibility and the Redmond code does this. Additionally, these example codes are more up-to-date with modern green development and low impact development code.</p> <p>Board Member Yabroff was concerned that the example of the Tacoma code that required alternating species would not allow for a long boulevard of trees like Cherry trees, which can create a great visual effect.</p> <p>It was discussed that Board Member Waters will leave the Tree Board in December and that the vacancy needs to be discussed at future Planning Commission meetings.</p>
<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></p>	<p>None</p>
<p><u>DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p>	<p>None</p>

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Quigley called the meeting adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandy Guinn