



AGENDA

Public Works Department

DATE: APRIL 02, 2022

TO: PARK AND RECREATION URBAN FORESTRY AD-HOC COMMITTEE

FROM: ROBERT FILIAR, URBAN FORESTER

CC: JESSICA GORDON, PRINCIPAL MANAGEMENT ANALYST

RE: FIRST MEETING TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE URBAN FORESTRY POLICY MANUAL

- Introductions to Begin at 9:am
- Guest Speaker from the Inland Urban Forest Council:
 - Mark Porter, Board Member of Inland Urban Forest Council, Certified Arborist, State Licensed Contractor, Member of International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, California Tree Failure Database Co-operator
- Current Urban Forestry Policy Manual Revised in 2015
- Requests from the Land Use/Sustainability/Resilience Committee for the Ad-Hoc Committee to Explore:
 - Research ways of providing advanced notice to area residents when trees are being removed.
 - Research ways of planting new trees before trees are removed to help maintain continuity of the urban forest in neighborhoods
 - Work with additional community groups throughout the City (Riverside Neighborhood Partnership, Green Belt area)
 - Provide public outreach on the benefits and assets of the urban forest
 - Establish the difference between public and private trees
- Other Considerations for Updating the Manual:
 - Update the Cover
 - Add Pictures
 - Add Grid Map
 - Consider Adding Technical Information Such as Carbon Sequestration Potential and Energy Reduction Potential of Adjacent Buildings

- Homework - Review of Urban Forest Management Plans/Urban Forestry Best Management Practices
 - Arbor Day Foundation: Link
<https://www.arborday.org>
 - American Public Works Association: Link
<https://www2.apwa.net/Documents/About/CoopAgreements/UrbanForestry/UrbanForestry-4.pdf>
 - Forest Service U.S. Department of Agriculture: Link
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf>
- Urban Forestry Database
 - Visual Presentation on Tree Inventory Database
- Next Steps:
 - Schedule a Second Meeting with more guests and public speakers with input. Anyone the Commissioners would like to hear from?
 - Commissioners to Provide Ideas and Suggestions Learned from the First Meeting and the Homework provided
 - Begin Implementing Updates to the Policy Manual
- Questions? Comments? Ideas?
- Time to Relax and Enjoy a Field Trip of Stately Trees in Riverside
 - Hawarden Drive/Horace Street- Morten Bay Fig (*Ficus macrophylla*)
 - 1804 Enterprise Avenue- Camphor Tree (*Cinnamomum camphora*)
 - Fairmount Park- Montezuma Cypress (*Taxodium mucronatum*)
 - On La Paz Lane at Bubbling Well Road- California Sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*)
 - Arlington Avenue/Magnolia Avenue- Parent Navel Orange Tree- (*Citrus sinensis*)
- Ending time 12:00pm