

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
June 23, 2015
MOTION SUMMARY

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Chairman Carey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Buck, Tom Glissman, Tom Wolber, Councilmember Joe DiGenova, Vice-Chairwoman Susan Wright, and Chairman Dave Carey.

Members Absent: Brenda Hendricks, Amanda Mowry, Paul Olen, Juliette Rike.

Staff Present: Doug Richmond (City Arborist) and Linda Mathews (Customer Service Liaison).

Motion to Excuse: Councilmember DiGenova moved to excuse Ms. Hendricks, Ms. Mowry, Mr. Olen, and Ms. Rike, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Wright. Motion approved by a 6-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF MOTION SUMMARY of Shade Tree Commission meeting of May 26, 2015 as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Vice-Chairwoman Wright moved to approve the Motion Summary for the May 26, 2015 meeting, seconded by Mr. Wolber. Motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ITEM 4. UPDATE of Tree Stewardship Program

Chairman Carey provided an update on the recent Home Owners Association Block Party that was held for Cheshire Crossing. Chairman Carey voiced a concern regarding home owner's liability and responsibilities as outlined in the deed restrictions. Mr. Richmond informed the Commission that he was informed by city staff that city ordinances come before Home Owner Association guidelines. Discussion held on the neighborhood residents participate in the Cost Share Program that is provided by the City of Delaware.

Discussion was held on volunteers that have expressed interest in the Tree Stewardship Program, and how many sets of tools will be available during the scheduled events.

Chairman Carey recommended passing out educational material while pruning. Mr. Richmond informed the Commission that there is already

literature available to be handed out. Discussion held on the first event date, with a tentative date of July 25, 2015 scheduled for Cheshire Crossing.

ITEM 5. ARBORIST REPORT

Mr. Richmond reviewed the monthly summary and activity completed for June 2015. Mr. Richmond informed the Commission that 18 trees were removed due to mortality issues, and 26 stumps were grounded out. Information was provided on tree maintenance. Discussion held on the mortality rate of the Zelkova trees that were obtained from a single nursery, and that the supplier has issued a full refund for these trees.

Mr. Richmond discussed with the Commission the increased growth of development in the City of Delaware which has an impact on the projected growth for the tree population of 25% in the next five years.

Mr. Wolber voiced a concern regarding the necessity of the street trees on Cobblestone Drive for the installation of a stop sign. Mr. Richmond explained to the Commission that he observed the three trees in question and recommends that only two trees be removed to increase safety and visibility. Mr. Richmond explained that the trees will be replaced in other locations by the City of Delaware.

Chairman Carey questioned if Mr. Richmond would like to review the tree palate. Mr. Richmond voiced the preference to review the current list. Chairman Carey plans for the review to take place at the July meeting.

ITEM 6. STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Mathews reviewed the customer service requests that were received.

ITEM 7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. DiGenova informed Council that he will be on a scheduled vacation for the July 28, 2015 Shade Tree Commission meeting.

Mr. Wolber provided articles to the Commission for reading.

Chairman Carey discussed the need to take a list of suggested and recommended trees to plant at public events to help provide knowledge to the public.

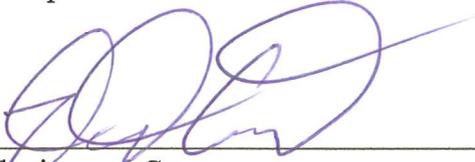
ITEM 8. PLAN REVIEWS

- A. Heatherton Phase 5- Informational only
- B. Smith Elementary School-Plans approved with suggested changes

C. Glenross North-Plans approved as submitted

ITEM 9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. DiGenova motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Wright. The Shade Tree Commission meeting adjourned at 8:11p.m.



Chairman Carey



Clerk