

TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd. Milwaukie, OR 97206 January 18,2023 Zoom Video Conference Meeting

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

Kathleen Brennan-Hunter Ley Garnett Alexis Barton Gina Dake Jon Brown

Staff Present:

Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director Natalie Rogers, Climate and Natural Resources Manager

MEETING NOTES

Peter started the meeting with a Tree Code update. He said he expected the City Council to address changes in April, dealing with things like enforcement and the master fee schedule.

The City is getting an average of 5-8 permit applications for tree removal weekly and the applications are usually acted on within a week.

The City is trying to get an inventory of Ash trees on private land to strategize against Emerald Ash Borer infestation.

Peter said the city is working to comply with new state codes on parking lots making them accessible for EVs.

Another City project relating to trees is Connecting Canopies, a partnership with the Nature Conservancy and the Urban Greenspace Institute.

As far as the two vacancies on the Tree Board, Peter said good applications are in hand and interviews will commence soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 7pm.