

Minutes of the Tree and Landscape Board
City of College Park
Virtual Meeting
September 16, 2020

<u>Term Exp.</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
N/A	Brenda Alexander, Public Works Assistant Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
N/A	Terry Schum, City Planning Representative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04/30/2021	John Lea-Cox, City Forester	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04/30/2021	Christine O'Brien, member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10/31/2021	James Meyer, member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04/09/2021	Janet Wagner, member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04/30/2021	Rashawna Alfred, member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04/30/2021	Todd Reitzel, member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Andrea McNamara, CBE representative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Oscar Gregory, CBE representative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	Carleveva Thompson, Contract Secretary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Ms. Alfred called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

1. Approval of Meeting Agenda: The agenda for the September 16, 2020 meeting was reviewed. The CBE update was removed from the agenda.

Motion: Accept September agenda as amended.

Moved: Ms. Alfred **Second:** Ms. Alexander

Aye: Unanimous **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

2. Approval of August Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the August 19, 2020 meeting were reviewed and edits were made to the minutes.

Motion: Accept August meeting minutes as amended.

Moved: Ms. Alfred **Second:** Dr. Lea-Cox

Aye: Unanimous **Nay:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

3. Public Works Department Report: Ms. Alexander shared the following highlights:

- Pepco is continuing the line clearance work and most of the work is completed in Calvert Hills. Pepco is currently working in Lakeland, and Berwyn and will start in North College Park in October.
- Public Works will be open two Saturdays in October on the 10th and the 24th for fall clean up.

4. Planning Report

Ms. Schum provided an update on the Hollywood Streetscape project and presented to the Board the landscaping details of the project. The landscaping plan shows that 17 trees are to be removed on Muskogee Street. Another 15 trees are marked for removal on

Muskogee Street to create a pathway that leads to the playground area. The Board requested to have a list of the species and size of the trees that are planned to be removed. It was also suggested that the landscape plans take into consideration the type of plants selected. The current plan lists plants that have a lot of maintenance and the plant maintenance will increase the workload for the City's landscape crew.

5. Old Business

- a. September 1, 2020 City Council worksession on TLB recommendations
The Board discussed the City Council's reaction to the Board's tree permit recommendations. The Board continued discussion on changes that need to be made to the tree permit recommendations to include in a presentation that will be presented at a Town Hall meeting. It was suggested to have the Town Hall on November 18, 2020. Ms. Alexander will check if November 18th will work with CBE and the City Council.

6. New Business

- a. Arbor Day for the fall
Ms. Alexander reported the Arbor Day Foundation is willing to waive the requirement for an Arbor Day celebration this year due to the pandemic. Ms. Alexander reached out to the Pastor at Hope Lutheran Church to see if they would be willing to participate in an Arbor Day event, but has not received a response.

7. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on October 21, 2020.

8. Adjournment

Ms. Alfred made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Dr. Lea-Cox. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.