



## Tree Board ~ Meeting Minutes ~



**Monday, November 22, 2010 • 10:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Daryl Tapio, Citizen Representative; Sean Clark, Public Works Maintenance Supervisor, Jack Dodge, Principal Planner

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilmember Pam Fernald

**STAFF COORDINATOR:** Roger Chouinard, Parks Operations Supervisor

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**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes dated April 29, 2010 were approved as written.

### **Tree City 2011 Application:**

- Discussed progress of Tree City Application for 2011. Noted that the application has been submitted and is being reviewed by the Washington State Department of Resources (DNR).

### **Old Business:**

- Status of 2010 DNR Community Forestry Grant: Confirmed that we were unsuccessful in this grant request.
- Tree City signage locations – update: Explained the location of the signs. They are located on S. 188<sup>th</sup> St. just east of the 509 interchange adjacent to the “Welcome to SeaTac” sign, and on 188<sup>th</sup> St. in front of City Hall. Also noted that other signs are available but were not purchased due to lack of funds.

### **New Business:**

- Application for 2011 DNR Community Forestry Grant: Discussed the grant application and thoughts for pursuing funds for tree inventory and assessments on International Boulevard, S. 188<sup>th</sup> St. and at Valley Ridge Park, with the possibility of using the funds for a consultant arborist to develop criteria for future assessments. Also mentioned using the purchase of tracking software, staff hours and volunteer time to use as matching funds on the grant application.
- Draft Comprehensive Tree Maintenance Plan (public spaces): Shared a draft of a Comprehensive Tree Maintenance Plan with the Tree Board and asked for comments to be returned by the first week of January. This plan will be a required addendum to the grant application due by January 27, 2011 to DNR.
- Status of windshield tree counts, specific locations (Public rights-of-way and Valley Ridge Park): Discussed the preliminary windshield counts of trees on International Boulevard, S. 188<sup>th</sup> St. and Valley Ridge Park.
- Tree Board Member Terms: Roger asked Tree Board members to think about establishing term limits for members to allow for new thought processes and ideas to be implemented and to lessen the impacts of members losing interest.
- Citizen interest in ivy removal: Discussed a citizen request for ivy removal in the North SeaTac Park area. It was mentioned that this may be a good opportunity to expand the cleanup in this area that has been done the last few years. Also discussed possibly partnering with the Port of Seattle on this since much of the land is now in their possession, and possibly renting a machine to clear some of the undergrowth at the same time.

Roger informed the Board that Kit Ledbetter and himself plan on meeting with this citizen in the immediate future.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.