

Tree Committee Members:

Susann Ortega-Chair
Kellie Carlin-Vice Chair
Edie Kausch
Kacey Stotesbery
Carol Troy
Susan Allen-Alternate

**MINUTES
ST. HELENA TREE COMMITTEE
ST. HELENA CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM
1480 MAIN STREET, ST. HELENA
Regular Meeting – Thursday, July 9, 2015
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm**

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Ortega, Kasey Stotesbery, Edie Kausch, and Susan Smith.
Absent: Kellie Carlin, Carol Troy.
Staff: Operations Manager Kathy Robinson, City Arborist Jim Haller.

- 2. PUBLIC FORUM:** An opportunity for the public to directly address the Committee on items of interest to the public that are not listed on the agenda. Any person addressing the Committee should provide his or her name and address, and limit comments to five minutes. **Because of restrictions imposed by the Brown Act, the Committee may not engage in substantive discussion, nor take action on matters not described on the agenda.**

Committee action: Committee received comments.

- 3. REPORTS BY STAFF AND COMMITTEE:** Reports by staff and/or committee on items of general interest. *Brief questions for clarification may be posed and answered, and Committee may request that items be placed on a future agenda. Except under certain circumstances, the Brown Act prohibits any other discussion or action by the Tree Committee.*

Committee action: Committee received comments from City Arborist and Chair Ortega.

- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR:** Members of the Tree Committee or the public may ask that any items be considered individually for purposes of considering alternative action, for extended discussion, or for public comment. Unless that is done, on motion may be used to adopt all recommendation actions.

B. None.

5. PERMITS TO BE DISCUSSED:

A. None.

6. SCHEDULED MATTERS:

A. Tree Committee to nominate and appoint a new chair and co-chair for a one year term.

Committee action: No action. Mayor Galbraith requested postponement as the City Council will be appointed members to the committee at the July 14, 2015 City Council meeting.

- B. Discussion: Tree Committee to discuss removal, pruning or replacement activities/schedule of City protected trees at: 1756 Scott St., 1151 Vintage Ave., 1132 Paulson Ave., 1000 N. Crane Ave., 1346 Main St., 1000 Adams St. (West American Bank), 1746 Madrona Ave., and Pistach tree near City Bank Adams Ave.

Committee action: No action. Committee discussion occurred.

- C. Discussion: Brainstorming session with staff and committee on how best to support City to accomplish removal and replacement of diseased Main Street Trees.

Committee action: No action. Committee discussion occurred.

- 7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourn to a regularly scheduled meeting of the Tree Committee on August 13, 2015.
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