

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, August 14, 2014
3:30 pm

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Susann Ortega, Kacey Stotesbery, Kellie Carlin, Edie Kausch and Susan Allen.
Absent: Carol Troy.
Staff: PW Director Debby Hight, and Senior Management Analyst Kathy Robinson

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 10, 2014;

Committee Action: No Action. Bring back.

B. April 24, 2014 – Special;

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Stotesbery seconded by Committee Member Carlin, and unanimously carried.

C. May 8, 2014;

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Kausch seconded by Committee Member Stotesbery, and unanimously carried.

D. May 21, 2014 – Special;

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Carlin seconded by Committee Member Stotesbury, and unanimously carried.

3. 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 Committee may not engage in substantive discussion, nor take action on matters not described on the agenda.**

Committee Action: No public comment received.

4. **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: No comment.

5. **PERMITS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

- A. 1554 & 1550 Voorhees.

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Member Stotesbury to allow City Arborist to remove Mimosa (Silk Tree) and replacement of type of tree and relocation to be determined by City Arborist with applicant paying for cost seconded by Committee Member Carlin, and unanimously carried. And applicant to pay for it.

- B. 1221 Spring Brook St.

Committee Action: Stotesbery recused. Upon motion of Committee Member Kausch to allow removal of Mexican palm tree and replacement location to be determined by Arborist in right-of-way, and replacement tree to be a minimum 15 gallon and replanted within 6 months of removal seconded by Committee Member Allen, and unanimously carried.

- C. 201 Pope Street.

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Member Stotesbury to remove the tress in as set out in the application with condition that the City Arborist brings the committee plan for replanting the trees prior to removal Wappo Park picnic area and dog park to north side of park seconded by Committee Member Carlin, and unanimously carried.

6. **SCHEDULED MATTERS:**

- A. Committee review of land use subdivision plans for 1837 Pine Street.

Committee Action: Upon motion of Committee Member Stotesbury recommendation of tree committee to remove the storm water tank out of the drip line of the existing fig tree, that any hardscape located within a drip line of any existing tree must be permeable, and overall the plan should include more drought tolerate landscaping, seconded by Committee Member Carlin, unanimously carried

- B. Discussion of Caltrans Replacement Tree Plan on Highway 29.

Committee Action: discussion occurred. To come back to committee with more clarification from Arborist Haller.

- C. Magnolia Oaks protected tree management follow up for Phase III.

Committee Action: Discussion occurred.

- D. Discussion of proposed revised Tree Ordinance.

Committee Action: No discussion occurred.

7. TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- A. Committee to decide which items to place on agenda for next meeting.

Committee Action: Discussion occurred.

- 8. ADJOURNMENT:** A motion will be in order to adjourn to a regularly scheduled meeting of the Tree Committee on September 11, 2014 at 3:30 P.M. in the main conference room of City Hall located at 1480 Main Street, St. Helena, CA.

Kathy Robinson
Tree Committee Secretary