

AGENDA
CITY OF ST. CHARLES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING
LOREN NAGY, CHAIRMAN
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023, 7:00 P.M.
PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM, 1405 SOUTH 7TH AVENUE

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2. Roll Call.**
- 3. Minutes – Review and Approval.**
 - A. Motion to accept and place on file minutes of the June 8, 2023 Natural Resources Commission meeting.
- 4. Old Business.**
 - A. Consideration for Committee Reorganizations.
- 5. New Business.**
 - A. Fall River Clean-Up – Comms. Goudreau and Otto.
 - B. Scarecrow Weekend – Comm. Myers.
 - C. Construction Planting Ordinance – Chair. Nagy.
 - D. Promote Pear Tree Replacements – Chair. Nagy.
- 6. Committee Reports.**
 - A. Education Committee.
 - i. Bird City.
 - B. Langum Woods Clean-Up Committee.
 - C. Community Sustainability Committee.
 - i. Pumpkin Smash.
 - D. Single-Use Bag Committee.
 - E. Greenest Region Compact Committee.
 - F. Urban Forestry Management Plan Review Committee.
- 7. Communications.**
 - A. Motion to accept and place on file Public Services Division Tree Activity Reports for June and July 2023.
- 8. Public Comment.**
- 9. Additional Items from Commissioners and City Staff.**
- 10. Adjourn.**

Next meeting September 14 , 2023.

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**MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING
LOREN NAGY, CHAIRMAN
JUNE 8, 2023**

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was convened by Chair. Nagy at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

3. Commissioners Present: Angela Churchill, Tom Galante, Heather Goudreau, Lee Haggas, Laura Miller Hill, Suzi Myers, Loren Nagy, Meagan Provencher.

Student Member: Jared Park.

Absent: Commissioners: Ryan Johnson, Pam Otto, Michael Stroud.

Student Members: Morrighan Hayes, Callie Ramirez, Deetya Solanki.

City Staff Present: Marcelline D'Argento, AJ Reineking.

Visitors Present: None.

4. Minutes Review and Approval

Motion to approve and place into the public record the minutes of the May 11, 2023 Natural Resources Commission [NRC] meeting. Motion by Comm. Churchill, second by Comm. Galante to approve the minutes. Voice vote: unanimous; nays – none. Motion carried at 7:01 p.m.

5. Old Business

A. Open Meetings Act Training

Chair. Nagy and city staff noted Open Meetings Act [OMA] training certifications are still needed for some members of the NRC. Clarification was provided regarding the maximum number of NRC members that can meet while maintaining compliance with the OMA; the maximum number is three.

B. Social Media Memo of Understanding

Chair. Nagy and city staff noted Social Media Memos of Understanding are still needed for some members of the NRC.

6. New Business

A. Consideration for Committee Restructuring

Chair. Nagy proposed restructuring the current NRC Committees. The proposal is as follows:

Standing Committees

- Education & Outreach
 - Social Media
 - Current Education Committee Duties

- Engagement
 - Current Community Sustainability Committee Duties (pumpkin smash, oil recycling, rain barrel sale)
 - Current Langum Woods Committee (this may transition to Education & Outreach after this year once we get the woods cleaned up)
 - Event Planning – Arbor Day, workshops, river clean-up, etc.
- Advisory
 - Current Greenest Region Compact Committee
 - Periodic Reviews of UFMP and Tree & Shrub Ordinance

Ad-Hoc Committees

- Plastic Bag
- UFMP Update

Chair. Nagy asked the Commissioners to consider the committee restructuring as proposed. Further discussion will be continued at the August NRC meeting.

7. Committee Reports

A. Education Committee

Comm. Myers reported turning lights off for world migratory bird day and dark skies awareness is becoming more widely accepted in the community.

B. Langum Woods Clean-Up Committee

None.

C. Community Sustainability Committee

None.

D. Single-Use Bags Committee

Mr. Reineking reported the members of city staff from the Finance and Public Works Departments, and City Administrator will be meeting to discuss next steps.

E. Greenest Region Compact Committee

None.

F. Urban Forestry Management Plan Review Committee

None.

8. Communications – Public Services Division Tree Activity Reports

Motion to approve and place on file the Public Services Division tree activity report for May 2023. Motion by Comm. Churchill, second by Comm. Myers to approve the reports. Voice vote: unanimous; nays – none. Motion carried at 7:34 p.m.

9. Public Comment

None.

10. Additional Items

A. Commissioners

Comm. Goudreau inquired as to the status of the city's contract with Lakeshore Recycling Systems. Mr. Reineking stated the contract will go to City Council.

Chair. Nagy reported there will be an informational walk with an arborist in Delnor Woods hosted by Kramer Tree Specialists on June 11th.

B. City Staff

None.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion by Comm. Churchill, second by Comm. Miller Hill to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: unanimous; nays – none. Motion carried at 7:44 p.m.

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NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Proposed Standing Committees

- Education and Outreach
 - Social Media
 - Current Education Committee Duties

- Engagement
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 - Current Langum Woods Committee (this may transition to Education and Outreach after this year after the woods is cleaned-up)
 - Event Planning (Arbor Day, workshops, river clean-up, etc.)

- Advisory
 - Current Greenest Region Compact Committee
 - Periodic review of Urban Forestry Management Plan [UFMP] and Tree and Shrub Ordinance

Ad-Hoc Committees

- Single-Use Plastic Bags
- UFMP Updates

TREE REPORT TOTALS JUNE 2023

TRIMMING - 215

REMOVALS - 56

EMERGENCY REMOVALS - 0

TREE REMOVAL DATA

WORK	QUAD	SPECIES	DBH	NOTES
In-House Removal	NE	Serviceberry	2	condition
In-House Removal	NW	Heritage Oak	3	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Baldcypress	4	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Linden	3	storm damage
In-House Removal	NE	Hackberry	4	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Hackberry	3	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Pin Oak	3	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Newport Cherry	7	storm damage
In-House Removal	SE	Red Jewel Crabapple	5	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Japanese Tree Lilac	3	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Sienna Glen Maple	2	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Autumn Blaze Maple	3	condition
In-House Removal	FW	American Sweetgum	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Baldcypress	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	NW	American Hornbeam	3	condition
In-House Removal	SW	White Paper Birch	4	sun scorch
In-House Removal	SW	Shingle Oak	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	FW	Sterling Silver Linden	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Chinese Rubber Tree	3	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Shumard Oak	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Norway Maple	17	storm damage - large lead broke
In-House Removal	SE	Red Oak	27	storm damage
In-House Removal	SE	Apple	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Serviceberry	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	SE	American Larch	2.5	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	9	canopy 50% dead
In-House Removal	NE	Tulip Tree	3	condition
In-House Removal	NW	Green Ash	14	EAB

WORK	QUAD	SPECIES	DBH	NOTES
In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	30	severe rot/decay through base of tree - hazard
In-House Removal	FW	White Ash	11	EAB
In-House Removal	NW	Norway Maple	11	50% deadwood, rot/decay throughout tree
In-House Removal	NW	Norway Maple	11	condition
In-House Removal	NE	Red Oak	7	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Norway Maple	20	severe rot/decay on main stem
In-House Removal	SE	Crimson King Maple	16	condition
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In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	20	new home construction - resident will replace tree
In-House Removal	FW	Sugar Maple	5	chlorosis, 75% crown die-back
In-House Removal	SE	Bur Oak	21	storm damage
In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	27	severe rot/decay
In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	25	rot/decay
In-House Removal	SW	Silver Maple	14	storm damage
In-House Removal	NE	Norway Maple	10	50% canopy dead, rot/decay
In-House Removal	NE	Norway Maple	11	water valve repair
In-House Removal	SW	Red Maple	10	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Callery Pear	7	diseased, 50% dead
In-House Removal	SW	Norway Maple	20	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Sugar Maple	13	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Norway Maple	16	multiple broken limbs, 30% deadwood
In-House Removal	SW	Callery Pear	10	condition
In-House Removal	SE	Redmond Linden	4	Public Works Engineering construction project
In-House Removal	SE	Hackberry	15	Public Works Engineering construction project
In-House Removal	SE	Norway Maple	31	condition
In-House Removal	SW	Sugar Maple	18	rot/decay
Contract Removal	SW	Oak - Heritage English	3	new tree did not survive - under warranty
Contract Removal	SE	Hackberry	28	significant crack in main leader

TREE REPORT TOTALS JULY 2023
TRIMMING - 157
REMOVALS - 20
EMERGENCY REMOVALS - 3

TREE REMOVAL DATA

WORK	QUAD	SPECIES	DBH	NOTES
Emergency Removal	SW	Common Apple	6	storm damage
Emergency Removal	SW	Sugar Maple	30	poor condition
Emergency Removal	SW	Common Apple	7	storm damage
Removal	NE	White Satin Birch	2.5	bronze Birch borer
Removal	NW	Black Oak	3	condition
Removal	NW	Shingle Oak	2	condition
Removal	NE	unknown	unk	condition
Removal	NW	White Satin Birch	3	condition
Removal	NE	Swamp White Oak	4	condition
Removal	NW	White Oak	3	condition
Removal	NW	Yellowwood	2.5	trunk wound
Removal	NW	White Satin Birch	4	condition
Removal	NW	White Satin Birch	3	condition
Removal	NE	River Birch	4	condition
Removal	NW	Heritage English Oak	3	condition
Removal	SW	Maple	2.5	home construction
Removal	NE	Norway Maple	22	storm damage, rot
Removal	SW	Norway Maple	22	condition
Removal	SW	Norway Maple	27	condition
Removal	NE	Redmond Linden	18	condition
Removal	NE	Norway Maple	10	decay, rot
Removal	NE	Norway Maple	13	declining
Removal	NE	Norway Maple	24	condition

WORK	QUAD	SPECIES	DBH	NOTES

**CITY OF ST CHARLES - PUBLIC SERVICES DIVISION
 TREE MAINTENANCE REPORT**

SUMMARY FY 2023/2024	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	TOTAL
Trimming	59	215	157										431
Removals	25	56	20										101
Emergency Removals	1	0	3										4
Plantings	133	0	0										133

COMMENTS
