

**Town of University Park
Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment Meeting Minutes
UP Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Ave
Wednesday, 09 December, 2015, 7:00 PM**

Present: Beth Alvarez, Chris Aubry (Chair), Eddie Crocker, Alice Leaderman, Karen Sondak, Tiegh Thompson, Jo Williams, and Roy Alvarez (Town Council Liaison).

Regrets: Joanne Fletcher

Convened: 7:01 PM EST

- Update on Mayor's response to letter regarding Holly Hill/Oakridge and Calverton/Wells Parkway street tree plantings. Chair will facilitate meeting between Mayor and committee, hopefully at the January planning meeting.
- Alice Leaderman has circulated the draft of a letter for the Mayor regarding planting of natives in UP's parks. The letter will be circulated again for final comment by committee members before it is finalized and sent to the Mayor.
- January's meeting will focus on planning the Committee's activities for the next two years.
- Notable tree photo for January's newsletter received from Beth and Roy Alvarez.
- **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - Discussion of UP's Christmas tree demonstrated some generalized dissatisfaction with the form and habit, majority of members are not in favor of replacing it, given its overall health. Instead, the form should be improved by means of a prosthetic to assist in hanging of the lights.
- The next meeting will be January 12th, Town Hall, 7:00 PM.

Adjourned: 7:45 PM