

Town of University Park
Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment
Minutes from the 10 August 2016 Meeting
Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Avenue

Convened: 8:06 PM

Attending: Beth Alvarez, Roy Alvarez (Council Liaison), Chris Aubry (Chair), Eddie Crocker, Eric Erickson, Alice Leaderman, Tiegh Thompson, Jo Williams, Tim Young.
Regrets: Joanne Fletcher Karen Sondak.

Natives in the Park:

An animated discussion on watering schedule resolved with committee's decision to roll back frequency to two days/week: Thursday and Sunday, with Roy and Beth Alvarez committing to Thursdays. Committee decided to table discussion regarding more plantings for 2016.

Upcoming Projects:

- Ivy League on 8/13, Town Park, between 43rd and 44th.
- Ivy League 10/8.
- Upper Ward 4 planting, 10/22.

The Mayor's goal to plant 100 street trees in 2016 was discussed. DPW Director Beall had provided Roy Alvarez a master list of 87 trees on 8/4. This was shared with the committee. Over half of these 87 trees have already been sited and selected, as part of our Ward 4 survey and the PEPCO surveys. Committee resolved:

- a) to be involved in planting and selection of the balance.
- b) to mark the ground to indicate specific planting site for all 87 trees.
- c) to pick the balance of the trees AND determine not-yet decided locations.
- d) At least two other surveys will occur:
 - i. WSSC and lower Ward 4 trees for DPW's contractor to plant. This will take place on 9/10/16 at 9:00 AM, meeting at College Heights & Woodberry.
 - ii. Additional survey to replace 20 trees lost to other causes.
- e) Chris Aubry and Roy Alvarez will further clarify within a week.
- f) If we believe Town's tree planting contractor has not planted a tree correctly, we will notify DPW Director Beall, and have no expectation to oversee or supervise as the process unfolds.

New Business

Alice Leaderman has native plants available for free.

Adjourned: 9:30 PM