

Agenda Wilmington Tree Commission Regular Meeting

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9:30 - 11:00 AM, February 19, 2025

- 1. Call to order; note presence of quorum.
- 2. Heritage Tree and Tree Awards Update
- 3. Strategic Planning committee updates.
 - a) **Tree Ordinance and Enforcement** SMART GOAL: Educate all groups on how tree ordinance works by end of fiscal year 2025.
 - b) Resource Commitment SMART GOAL: Provide support to City and other organizations in the implementation of the Urban Forestry Master Plan (UFMP) (Committee members are Tom who is committee chair, Cathey) Urban Forest Master Plan – (Sally/Aaron) update on progress of action plans
 - c) **Community Education** SMART GOAL: Develop an ad hoc committee to identify 3-5 actions/activities to incorp into workplan by end of 2025 (Committee members are Kate, Alana)
- 4. Isabelle Shepherd Update on activities of the Alliance for Cape Fear Trees
- 5. New Business
 - OLLI Presentation February 27th, 10-12 at UNCW
 - Arbor Day Planning
 - MLK Center Planting and/or Hoggard High School Planting
 - Commission Workshop:
 - Coat of Arms Exercise
 - o Challenges and Opportunities Activity
 - Identify WTC Priority Initiatives

Next Meeting is March 19, 2025, at 9:30 am, 929 N. Front St, 1st Floor, Room 156.7.

a) Adjourn –

Wilmington Tree Commission Strategic Planning Workshop Details:

Facilitated by Travis Henley (Comprehensive Planning and Urban Design (CPUD) Planning Manager) and Haley Hopkins (CPUD Planner I)

Purpose: Begin to identify the highest priority initiatives for the Wilmington Tree Commission to focus on over the next one to two years.

Agenda:

- 1. Coat of Arms Exercise (15 min.)
- 2. Challenges and Opportunities Activity (30 min.)
- 3. Identify WTC Priority Initiatives (15 min.)

Next Meeting (March)

- 4. Action Planning
- 5. Finalize initiatives for the next one to two years

Agenda Item 1: Coat of Arms Exercise

Exercise:

5 min: Each Commissioner will create their own 'coat of arms' addressing the following:

- Something you are proud of in the past year
- A skill or aptitude you bring to the table
- Something positive that drew you to the Tree Commission
- Something you want to accomplish during the workshop
- Words to live by

10 min: Share-out

Agenda Item 2: Challenges and Opportunities Activity

15 min: In two groups, identify:

- 1. What challenges are the Wilmington Tree Commission and the City facing relative to preserving and improving urban tree canopy?
- 2. What are the opportunities for the Wilmington Tree Commission and the city that we can capitalize on? **15 min:** Share-out

Agenda Item 3: Identify WTC Priority Initiatives

5 min: Using green dots, identify 3 priorities that stand out to you as the most important and actionable for the Wilmington Tree Commission.

10 min: Review responses and open discussion.