

TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES 6101 Johnson Creek Blvd. Milwaukie, OR 97206 10.17.2024

Hybrid / In- Person and Zoom Video Conference Meeting

Board Members Present: Board Members Absent:

Alexis Barton Ley Garnett

Kathleen Brennan - Hunter

Jon Brown Gina Dake

Camden Mckone Guest:
Olivia Padilla None

Staff Members Present:

Peter Passarelli, PW Director Katie Gavares, Climate and Natural Resources Manager

MEETING NOTES

No minutes were available for review.

Katie presented the Natural Resources' team priorities from the Urban Forest Management Plan (UFMP). These priorities reflect actions needed for the urban forest health and maintenance needs, promote equity considerations, and mitigate exiting challenges to the work. Katie prefaced these priorities were being shared to provide the Tree Board members with aditional context before the board identifying new strategic goals.

The board had a robust discussion of staff priuorities throughout the presentation. They were interested in measuring the success of the existing public and private tree code, specifically the fees for the development tree permits. Tree board members also noted their interest in a tree inventory and Metro's LiDAR data to determine how many more trees are needed to reach Milwaukie's 40% canopy goal. A tree inventory continues to be a priority for staff and tree board members, especially to assess the conditions of treehalth and to develop a EAB response plan. Finally, Tree Board members shared interest in investing in Milwaukie staff to achive UFMP goals versus relying on external contractors to accomplish these goals.

The Tree Board meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.