



**Urban Tree Board
Regular Meeting
July 8, 2025 - 2:00 PM
Classroom, Auburn Community and Events
Center**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. The Urban Tree Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday July 8, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. will be held in person and virtually.

Virtual Participation Link:

To listen to the meeting by phone or Zoom, please call the number below or click the link:

Telephone: +1 253 215 8782 US

Toll Free: 888 475 4499 US

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86404632723?pwd=qUkuYjbyWwb320tiMhaKKShFSsrTas.1>

ROLL CALL

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the Board on any issue.

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City of Auburn

Attn: Alexa Bragg, Parks Administrative Assistant

25 W Main St

Auburn, WA 98001

Please fax written comments to:

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Fax number: 253-931-4005

Email written comments to: abragg@auburnwa.gov

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of June 3rd, 2025 Minutes

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Open Public Meetings Act Training - Clerk's Office

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Heritage Tree Map for Website

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Agendas and minutes are available to the public at the City Clerk's Office and on the City website (<http://www.auburnwa.gov>).



AGENDA BILL APPROVAL FORM

Agenda Subject:

Approval of June 3rd, 2025 Minutes

Meeting Date:

July 8, 2025

Department:

Parks, Arts & Recreation

Attachments:

Tree Board June 3 Minutes

Budget Impact:

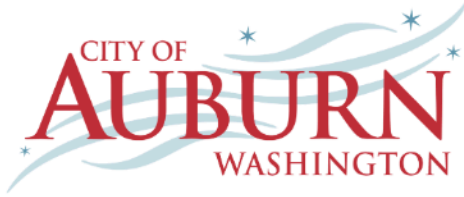
Administrative Recommendation:

Background for Motion:

Background Summary:

Councilmember:

Staff:



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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bryce Landrud called the Urban Tree Board Meeting to order at 2:02pm at the Auburn Community and Event Center, 910 9th St SE in the classroom.

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ROLL CALL

Chairperson Bryce Landrud, member James Tournageau, member Linda Bielejec were in attendance

Staff: Park Planning Manager Thaniel Gouk, Administrative Assistant Alexa Bragg

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

No agenda modifications.

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No audience participation.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of March 4th Minutes

Chair-person Bryce Landrud moved and Vice-chair Linda Bielejec seconded to approve the March 4th, 2025 Urban Tree Board Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

No announcements, reports, or presentations.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Recruitment Ideas for Vacancies

Chairperson Bryce says we can get in part of a booth at the Farmers Market; Administrative Assistant Alexa Bragg will assist in creating a pamphlet and tabling materials for Tree Board information. Chairperson Bryce says this might be the best option to see them face-to-face to encourage people to apply for the tree board meeting. Park Planning manager Thaniel mentioned an advertisement in the Auburn Magazine for vacancies for the tree board.

B. Heritage Trees & Updating Webpage

The Tree Board discussed moving on from the Dogwood tree as a 2025 Heritage tree and to find another tree for 2025 Heritage Tree list.

Chairperson Bryce would like to have an interactive map of the city of Auburn's Heritage Trees on the city's webpage. Parks Planner Thaniel suggests it's one screen (instead of scrolling) and could be interactive.

ACTION ITEMS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Improving Tree Equity Score - Brainstorm Ideas

The tree board discusses a tree planting program for the City of Auburn. Chairperson

Bryce Landrud speaks about talking with the Tacoma Tree Foundation on how to acquire trees for a tree giveaway. Member Linda Bielejec suggests trees should be given away and planted in February (winter months). Member James Tournageau asked about the pine trees in Game Farm Park, and if they were taken down due to the pine trees being dead. Chairperson Bryce was unsure. Chairperson Bryce also states that pine trees are dying in droves. He thinks it's either climate or pine bark beetles. Member Linda states we shouldn't be planting Ponderosa Pines. Chairperson Bryce says he thinks it's only Ponderosa Pines dying, not other species of pine trees. Birch Trees should also be avoided in planting. Chairperson Bryce says most native trees should be good to plant; They will grow and adapt to the climate. Member Linda says getting the trees is one thing, but distributing them is another project.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Bryce Landrud would like to prune the Norway Maple at the Postmark Center for the Arts, and potentially have it as a project for Clean Sweep 2026. Parks staff will talk with the Special Events Coordinator Amanda Valdez and Parks Maintenance manager Stefanie Coleman to see what they think about that idea.

ADJOURNMENT

2:56pm

APPROVED this ____ day of _____ 2024.

Thaniel Gouk, Director of Board

Alexa Bragg, Administrative Assistant