



## ***Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Committee***

### **MEETING SUMMARY** **Tuesday, July 14, 2021** **Zoom Virtual Meeting**

#### **1. Call to Order; Welcome & Overview of the Meeting**

Amy Day, Vice Chair welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

Chair Johnson asked staff to call the roll.

City Councilor Joann Linville, Amy Day, Jordan Snyder, Sageera Oravil Abdulla Koya, Natasha Hancock and Metro Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal were present. (Councilor Ben West arrived at 6:10pm via phone.)

#### **2. Chair/ Vice Chair selection**

The former chair moved outside the city limits which required her resignation from the board.

Joann Linville made a motion to appoint Amy Day as Chair. The motion was seconded by Jordan Snyder. The motion passed.

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#### **3. Consent Agenda**

Jordan Snyder made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from May 11, 2021. The motion was seconded by Amy Day. The motion passed.

#### **4. Application Presentations**

Staff walked the committee through the application process timeline and requirements. Staff reminded the committee that all of the community enhancement eligibility requirements apply to this process, as well as the need to meet at least one of the storm relief criteria.

Mark McKelvey (applicant) and Tom Vaughn presented the Arbor Villebois Owners Association – Storm Damage Clean up proposal (Request \$23,355). They thanked the committee for the opportunity to share their project. There were a number of trees severely damaged during the storm. The HOA is responsible for 17 acres and 1400 trees per a city

plan. They have done a lot of clean up already. They are requesting funds for tree preservation work that they are planning for the end of August.

Dustin Schull presented the City of Wilsonville stump grinding project (Request \$49,999). Mr. Schull explained that stump grinding can be a barrier to replant trees. It is projected that the request would provide stump grinding can be a barrier to replanting trees. If awarded funds the City will develop outreach, submission process, and allow them to evaluate the current street Tree matrix. Trees may also be prioritized based on diameter.

Dan Fitch Presented on behalf of the Rivergreen HOA. They have an isolated request to prune the branches of three trees on one property to enhance the safety of neighboring properties (Request \$1,350).

The committee asked for some clarification. Mr. Fitch confirmed that the work would take place on private property and it is his understanding that the property owner cannot pay for the pruning.

Rich Ling presented on behalf of the Al Kader Shriner project (\$6,600). He described the request which includes an oak tree in need of pruning due to the storm, requiring 1 day of work, and a swale with trees that needs to be maintained for safety reasons, requiring 2 days' work. Each day of work would cost \$2,200. He also noted that the Shriners are a volunteer organization and the city is actually responsible for the swale.

The Committee asked for clarification about the swale. Mr. Ling noted that it is in good condition and stated that additional visibility could reduce crime.

Erika Timm (applicant) and Litzy Venturi presented the Friends of Trees (FOT) pruning proposal. FOT explained that they would offer a free tree pruning class to preserve trees. The free service would be in public right of way or on City property. They expect to prune at least 100 trees and provide educational materials. They intend to support the hardest hit areas and assist those who cannot afford the cost of tree pruning. They have experience pruning and separate experience planting trees in Wilsonville.

## **5. Application Discussion and Decision**

Staff discussed the proposed applications and their merits. There was also interest in serving diverse members of the community. The committee discussed the interest in spreading the funds equitably around the area. After much discussion, the committee decided to award some funding to each project.

Amy Day made a motion to recommend that the City Council allocate Community Enhancement funds for Friends of Trees tree pruning - \$15,000, City of Wilsonville Stump Grinding - \$42,000, Arbor Villebois - \$20,800, Al Kader Shriner tree pruning - \$2,200 and Rivergreen HOA - \$500 totaling \$80,500 of Community Enhancement funds. Jordan Snyder seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Staff mentioned that the recommendation would be forwarded to the City Council for review in August. Staff also asked the community if they would like to continue to refine

the grant process before starting the 2022 process. By a head nod, the committee wanted to meet in the fall to discuss the process. Staff will send a doodle poll to committee members to select the next meeting date.

## **7. Adjourn**

Chair Day adjourned the meeting at 7:35pm.

Next Meeting: TBD

Respectfully submitted by Zoe Mombert on July 16, 2021.