



AGENDA
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF PORT ORANGE

Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015

Time: 5:15 PM

Type of Meeting: Regular

Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room
City Hall, 1000 City Center Circle

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Consideration of Minutes

D. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

3. Tree Trimming Standards
4. Spruce Creek Rising
5. City Council Workshop on City Center Landscaping - October 27, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m.
6. Next Meeting Date: 1/19/2016

E. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

F. ADJOURNMENT

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ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PORT ORANGE
1000 CITY CENTER CIRCLE – CITY HALL
CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 28, 2015 @ 5:15 P.M.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Chairman White at 5:17 p.m.

Present: Newton White, Chairman
 Derek La Montagne, Vice Chairman
 Philip Klema
 James Meadows
 Paul Minshew

Absent: Suzanne Grubbs
 Dennis Young (Excused)

Also Present: Margaret Momberger, Construction/ Engineering Manager
 Mitchell Thomas, Foreman Public Works
 Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director
 Steve Edger, Contract City Forester
 Barbara Abbate, City Clerk's Office

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Consideration of Minutes

Motion made by Member Meadows to accept the minutes as corrected from the April 21, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Member Minshew motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. Oak Tree Preservation at City Center

Margaret Momberger, Construction/ Engineering Manager, said Steve Edger, Contract City Forester, Susan Lovallo, Parks & Recreation Director and Mitchell Thomas, Foreman (Irrigation) Public Works were all here to speak on this matter.

Mr. Edger gave the Board some history of the City Center trees. He reported the irrigation system has been damaged and is almost irreparable. Some of the trees are suffering from lack of water.

Chairman White is concerned about the sidewalks and roadways lifting because of the root system. He asked if the irrigation is fixed/replaced will that help with the roots coming to the surface. Mr. Edger said there is not enough room for the roots and that's why the roots are coming to the surface.

Ms. Lovallo said there are just two employees that take care of all the irrigation in the City. Mr. Thomas said there are a lot of trees in a small area that is why the roots are coming to the surface. He also said the irrigation at City Center is at 70% coverage today and should be able to get to 90% by tomorrow. Mr. Thomas said a complete irrigation revamp is needed but he isn't sure how to do that with how full of roots the islands are. He suggested pervious concrete would help get some water into the ground. Mr. Edger said it wouldn't be good to put pervious concrete in because that would encourage the roots to move under the parking lot and there would be more lifting.

Ms. Momberger said if she were to design the irrigation system she would run pipe above ground and have bubblers. Mr. Edger said there would also need to be some shade plants to help keep the mulch in the beds.

Chairman White asked what the Board should recommend to City Council to fix this problem. Mr. Edger said there should be an estimate to get the job done before it is presented to City Council. Ms. Momberger said it should be a capital improvement project for funding. Mr. Edger said he can come up with a description for a budget item and bring it back to this Board for approval.

Chairman White said there needs to be a design plan done for an irrigation system and landscaping that will meet the needs. This design will also have to include protection from foot traffic.

4. Tree City USA Program and Arbor Day.

Ms. Lovallo said there must be an Environmental Board, Tree Care Ordinance, Community Board Youth Program, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. The City has all of these things and the Mayor does a proclamation.

Member LaMontagne said there should be a funding for tree preservation. Ms. Lovallo said the City of Port Orange spent over \$537,000 on trees last year. She said there were 385 trees planted in the parks alone.

Member LaMontagne asked why the list of preserved trees is so short. Ms. Momberger said there is a zoning code and land development code. There are only two zoning categories that developers can make their own rules: the PCD (plan commercial development) and PUD (plan unit development). She also said there are a lot of PCD's and PUD's in the City. Ms. Momberger said Volusia County's environmental standards is how a specific tree gets on the protected tree list.

Mr. Edger said he will bring the ordinance for Orlando to the next meeting for the Board's review, Ms. Momberger said she will also bring ordinances from some nearby cities for the Board's review.

Chairman White said the Board would also like an update on the grass clippings in the roadways. Ms. Momberger said Branford Adumuah, Public Works Director, has notified the mowing crews not to blow anything into the roadways and if they do there will be a violation. She also said Code Enforcement is preparing a document that will go out to all the lawn

maintenance companies that are on file for business tax within the city. There will also be something going out in the next newsletter.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was none

D. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Next Meeting Date: 10/27/15

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Member Meadows to adjourn, seconded by Member Minshew. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote and the meeting ended at 6:20 p.m.

Newton White, Chairman