

BEAUTIFICATION AND TREE COMMITTEE AGENDA

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JULY 17, 2023

4:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chamber

VIA ZOOM

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. ELECT CHAIR & VICE CHAIR
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATION
 - A. City Manager, Matthew Klebes – Introduction to becoming a Standing Beautification and Tree Committee
6. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Strategic Plan Approval
 - B. August Meeting Schedule – 1 meeting on August 21st or none
7. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting conducted Via ZOOM

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CITY OF THE DALLES

The Beautification Commission will add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-024

**A RESOLUTION DISBANDING THE AD-HOC BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
AND ESTABLISHING A STANDING
BEAUTIFICATION AND TREE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CITY OF THE DALLES**

WHEREAS, in 2019, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 19-015 to establish an ad-hoc Beautification Committee;

WHEREAS, in 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 22-002 to extend the Committee's existence;

WHEREAS, in 2022, the City Council adopted The Dalles Vision Action Plan 2040, which prioritizes enhancing education in outdoor spaces and providing recreation and open space to the community of The Dalles;

WHEREAS, The Dalles Vision Action Plan 2040 set a Council goals of developing a tree plan and investigating climate resiliency;

WHEREAS, the Climate Resiliency Taskforce recommended establishment of a Tree Committee;

WHEREAS, the ad-hoc Beautification Committee has worked on downtown tree replacements, tree grants, planting trees at elementary schools, and other beautification projects; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined the City would benefit from a standing committee focused on both The Dalles' beautification and formal tree plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE DALLES RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council hereby disbands the ad-hoc Beautification Committee.

Section 2. The City Council hereby establishes the Beautification and Tree Committee, a standing committee of the City (**Committee**). The Committee shall consist of seven (7) positions held by qualified City electors who live within the City limits of the City of The Dalles, appointed by the Mayor, seven (7) members of which shall be appointed by the Mayor and subject to Council confirmation, and one (1) additional member that shall be an ex officio position held by City staff, appointed by the City Manager.

Section 3. Aside from the ex officio position, the first Committee shall comprise the six (6) members of the now disbanded Beautification Committee and the terms of their appointment shall be staggered as follows:

John Nelson	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2025
Adam Rahmlow	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2025
Debi Ferrer	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026

Janet Kavanaugh July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026
Whitney Walker July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027
Angel Drinkwine July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027

Section 4. The Mayor shall appoint one new member to fill the seven positions of the Committee; and new members to fill any vacancies created by an expired term, and such appointees shall hold the position for a term of four (4) years (commencing on July 1 of each year). All other appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 5. At its first meeting, and at its first meeting of each fiscal year, the Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair. Officers shall hold their office for one (1) year, unless sooner removed by majority vote of a quorum of the Committee.

Section 6. The secretary for the Committee shall be a City staff member designated by the City Manager.

Section 7. A quorum of the Committee requires a majority of the Committee. The Committee shall meet at least once per month at time and place fixed by the Committee and in accordance with the Oregon Public Meetings Law and all applicable policies and procedures of the City of The Dalles.

Section 8. A Committee member may be excused from attending a regular meeting by the Chair for good cause. If a Committee member fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings without excused absents, the Chair shall submit this fact to the Committee, and the Committee shall recommend removal of the member from the Committee to the City Council.

Section 9. The Committee shall have the following duties and functions (without limitation):

1. Create or update the Committee Strategic Plan by January 1 of each year and submit to City Manager for funding consideration through the City's Budget process.
2. Coordinate the Second Saturday City Clean-Up, or another date determined by the Committee.
3. Conduct surveys, studies, and research regarding:
 - a. best practices for tree and native plantings on City property and residential areas of the City of The Dalles;
 - b. downtown furniture, including benches, trashcans, and plantings; and
 - c. creation and maintenance of a City-wide tree inventory.
4. Prepare and publish tree inventory reports.
5. Advise City staff on content of webpages on the City's website for:
 - a. the Committee; and
 - b. tree program education and information.

Section 10. Any Committee recommendation to the City Council shall be made at a regular City Council meeting.

The City of The Dalles Beautification and Tree Committee | Strategic Plan – 2023-2024 FY

<p>Vision: A community that has involved citizens of all ages, strong local collaboration, green spaces, a revitalized downtown, efficient government, is a commercial hub, honors our cultural diversity, has a proactive education system, has compatible neighborhoods, a far ranging transportation system, and a comprehensive medical system. (Compiled summary of VAP)</p>	
<p>Mission: To promote and honor our rich cultural history, share and enhance the beauty of our community, and strengthen communal pride in our public spaces through citizen engagement, advocacy, recognition, and partnerships.</p>	
<p>Goal #1 Create a robust and extensive green infrastructure plan to improve community health and wellbeing.</p>	Residential tree grants
	Trees for schools
	Develop a community tree plan to include potential sources of additional funding
	Become a part of Tree City USA
	Conduct a tree inventory
	Downtown streets tree project
<p>Goal #2 Preserve the beauty of our community through education and citizen engagement</p>	Stop the Drop
	2 nd Saturday Clean-Ups
	Adopt-a-street
	Adopt-a- _____ (block, public space, etc.)
<p>Goal #3 Enhance the beauty and improve recognition of the communities' cultural history</p>	Wind sculptures, art
	Beautification awards (residential & businesses) and postcards to recognize other nominations
	Tree of the month
	Heritage tree inventory
	Cruise ship hillside
<p>Goal #4 Enhance the usability, enjoyment, and human aspects of public spaces, making our city more pedestrian friendly</p>	Benches
	Trashcans
	Planters
	Research downtown bump outs, pedestrian spaces, and parklets
	Increase bike rack availability
	Public fountains and water features
	Fencing art projects to hide empty lots, treatment plant