

AGENDA

BEAUTIFICATION AND TREE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 1, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chamber

IN PERSON & VIA ZOOM

<https://zoom.us/j/95147361566?pwd=S2N6bnRSbHVqZkdwaFJlVkhVNFBZQT09>

Meeting ID: 951 4736 1566 Passcode: 197873

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Approval of March 18, 2024 Beautification & Tree Minutes
5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS
 - A. Scott Susi, Conservation Planner for Wasco County Soil & Water Conservation District
6. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Sculpture Update
7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Cinder Blocks
 - B. 2nd Saturday Clean-Up
8. ADJOURNMENT

Prepared by/
Abigail Jara, Executive Assistant

CITY OF THE DALLES BEAUTIFICATION & TREE COMMITTEE

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MINUTES

BEAUTIFICATION AND TREE COMMITTEE MEETING

March 18, 2024

VIA ZOOM/IN PERSON

PRESIDING: Janet Kavanagh

MEMBERS PRESENT: Debi Ferrer, Janet Kavanagh, John Nelson, Angel Drinkwine,
Adam Rahmlow

ABSENT: Sarah Mello

Staff Liaison: Abby Jara, Staff Liaison

Also in attendance: Amie Ell, City Clerk
Mike Kasinger, Facilities Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Kavanagh called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Abby Jara conducted roll call; Ferrer, Kavanagh, Nelson, Drinkwine, Rahmlow present; Mello absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Drinkwine to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0; Nelson, Drinkwine, Ferrer, Kavanagh, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed; Mello absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Kavanagh to approve the March 4, 2024 minutes as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0; Nelson, Kavanagh, Drinkwine, Ferrer, Rahmlow voting in favor; none opposed; Mello absent

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mike Kasinger, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, introduced himself to the committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sculpture Designs

Beautification & Tree Committee (BTC) discussed details of different sculpture designs rendered by students of Chris Dodson (CGCC Instructor). (See attached).

Ferrer suggested a ponderosa pine on one side and salmon for the other side.

Rahmlow reminded the committee, changing designs means more work for CGCC, and for the committee to be mindful when asking the instructors.

Ferrer mentioned it's not a design change but an adjustment to the etching of the design.

Kavanagh will contact instructors to ask for change the etching design.

Heritage Trees

Jara showed an example of a Heritage Tree nomination form from a different city, and explained the format and verbiage would look like the example, since it's going onto the City of The Dalles website.

Ferrer suggested to only use a few of the Heritage Trees that are walking distance from The Dalles Art Center (TDAC) as an introduction for people to start nominating.

Kavanagh stated the committee has a goal to have a Heritage Tree Program. In order to make it happen the committee needs money, for an arborist, and to have trees mapped. She asked the committee to table this in more detail.

Ell suggested a precursor, to use another name, not Heritage Trees, when creating the flyer and submission form. Since the committee doesn't have all the information on what will be used to identify a Heritage Tree.

BTC will scope for potential Heritage Trees around TDAC to include on a guide for the community at the Garden Show.

Jara will work with Ell, City Clerk, to get a flyer and submission form completed for potential guide to Heritage Trees for the Garden Show.

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Staff Liaison

Jara reported to the BTC the City Manager would like to know if they would be willing to work on a plan for replacing cinder blocks on Dry Hollow Rd. with eco blocks, to help beautify it.

BTC will discuss more at next meeting once they see a visual.

DISCUSSION

Residential Trees

Ferrer thanked the committee for the ask of \$10,000 for Residential Trees project stating, it'll help with the matching funds. She also gave an update on the Green Infrastructure Program; more information is on their website. They'll be awarding grants based off of 4 categories:

1. Community Green Infrastructure Projects
2. Economic Development Projects
3. Native Seed Banks or Native Plant Nurseries
4. Supporting and Implementing a Green Infrastructure Master Plan

Ferrer stated the committee will only qualify for the first category, but will need to revise last years grant application in order to be able to qualify for the other categories. She also mentioned, the City Manager has previously stated grant applications need to be written and submitted by City staff.

Jara will talk to the City Manager to get more clarification about who to contact.

Next Meeting: April 1, 2024

Items for Next Meeting:
Cinder blocks replacement

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 pm.

Submitted by/
Abby Jara, Executive Assistant

SIGNED: _____
Janet Kavanagh, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Abby Jara, Executive Assistant

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Abigail Jara

From: Janet Kavanagh <janet450@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2024 11:04 AM
To: Abigail Jara
Cc: Amie Ell
Subject: Re: I got this from Christ Dodson at the CGCC Skills Center

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All of these designs are to fit within a 9 ft tall 12 ft wide silhouette within the space provided. As mentioned during our meeting, coatings and color application could be done, but we do not have the necessary facilities to provide color. From my personal experience adding color in the form of paint or powder coating are more or less temporary. The longevity of paint is less than powder coating, and the cost varies greatly and could be in the hundreds to thousands depending on the process.

In order to provide forms of contrast, these student designs were formulated in mixed materials of steel, stainless steel, and aluminum in order to form a natural patina contrast.

Oxidized steel will vary in color from burnt orange to deep browns, aluminum will remain white/silver, and stainless steel will very lightly patina to a silver/gold straw color over time.

As far as cost, we approached this with a budget of \$2000 per structure in mind as maximum, with some designs coming in around the 1/2 way mark.

> On Mar 18, 2024, at 11:00 AM, Abigail Jara <ajara@ci.the-dalles.or.us> wrote:

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> Is there something that was supposed to be attached to this email from Chris??

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> Abigail Jara

> Executive Assistant to

> The City Manager

> 313 Court Street

> The Dalles, OR 97058

> 541-296-5481 ext 4408

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Janet Kavanagh <janet450@gmail.com>

> Sent: Monday, March 18, 2024 10:57 AM

> To: Abigail Jara <ajara@ci.the-dalles.or.us>; Amie Ell <amell@ci.the-dalles.or.us>

> Subject: I got this from Christ Dodson at the CGCC Skills Center

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> Can it be printed for everyone at our meeting along with the sculpture photos he sent? Maybe emailed too? I'm not sure I'm allowed to email it.

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> This weekend I started thinking the Heritage tree stuff needs more discussion. It's so rushed, and we can't do a proper tree survey. I want us all to discuss it more and how to proceed. We all need be involved on this important category. At the least, could you just print and email the body of the letter, and the sample form resident response, form from the LATimes?

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> Thanks so much,

> Janet

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Abigail Jara

From: Janet Kavanagh <janet450@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 3:13 PM
To: Abigail Jara; Amie Ell
Subject: Student entries for Trevitt Sculpture

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