

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Ryan Cairns called the meeting to order at 5:00PM. A quorum was present. Oliphant affirmed proper notice. Members Present: Ryan Cairns, Larry Hallet, Ron Fruit, and Mark Chambers. Members Absent: Steve Downs. Others Present: Tess Barr-Hamblin and Ashley Oliphant.

OPEN FORUM WITH CITY FORESTER CANDIDATES – Tess Barr-Hamblin, the only interested party present, introduced herself to the Board, provided her resume and background, which included an environmental science degree. The Board questioned Barr-Hamblin about her qualifications and expressed a desire for this role to take a proactive approach, be a resource to the community, and have an educational focus.

APPOINTMENT OF CITY FORESTER – Motion by Chambers to appoint Tess Barr-Hamblin as City Forester, seconded by Fruit. Motion carried.

REPORTS, REQUESTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Tess Barr-Hamblin provided the Board with information regarding tree cutting, boulevard tree planting options, and notice of stewardship event.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE – Meetings to be held on the third Wednesday of the month on a quarterly basis with the next meeting scheduled for June 19, 2024 at 5:00PM.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 5:43PM by Chambers, seconded by Hallet. Motion carried.