

# TREE BOARD MEETING (CITY HALL) September 11, 2023; 4:30 PM Woodcreek, Texas

### **MEETING NOTICE**

The Tree Board of the City of Woodcreek, Texas will conduct a meeting at Woodcreek City Hall, 41 Champions Circle, Woodcreek, Texas. The meeting will be held on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 4:30 PM.

All attendees are encouraged to wear face coverings when a minimum of six-foot social distancing cannot be maintained. Smoking is not allowed anywhere on the property of City Hall.

The public may watch this meeting live at the following link:

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Meeting ID: 930 6104 4190; Passcode: 463143

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request. This notice, as amended, is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act (Vernon's Texas Codes Ann. Gov. Code Chapter 551).

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Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

It is anticipated that members of other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees. Notice is hereby given that this meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees may participate in discussions on the items listed on this agenda, which occur at this meeting, but <u>no action</u> will be taken by those in attendance unless such action item is specifically listed on an agenda during a regular or special meeting for the respective Board, Commission, Panel and/or Committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

The City Council may retire to Executive Session any time during this meeting, under Texas Government Code, Subchapter D. Action, if any, will be taken in open session.

This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City's legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of Texas Government Code Chapter 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy Texas Government Code Chapter 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion.

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Any citizen shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard at any and all meetings of the Governing Body in regard to: (1) any and all matters to be considered at any such meeting, or (2) any matter a citizen may wish to bring to the Governing Body's attention. No member of the Governing Body may discuss or comment on any citizen public comment, except to make: (1) a statement of specific, factual information given in response to the inquiry, or (2) a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting per Texas Local Government code Sec. 551.042

Citizen comments will be allowed at the beginning of every meeting, or alternatively, before an item on the agenda upon which the citizen wishes to speak is to be considered. All citizens will be allowed to comment for **three (3) minutes** per person and shall be allowed more time at the Mayor or Chair's discretion. In addition, citizens may pool their allotted speaking time. To pool time, a speaker must present the names individuals present in the audience who wish to yield their three(3) minutes. Citizens may present materials regarding any agenda item to the City Secretary at or before a meeting, citizens attending any meeting are requested to complete a form providing their name, address, and agenda item/concern, but are not required to do so before speaking and presenting it to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of such meeting. Comments may only be disallowed and/or limited as per Government Code § 551.007(e).

Submit written comments by email to woodcreek@woodcreektx.gov by **NOON**, the day <u>prior</u> to the meeting. Please include your full name, home or work address, and the agenda item number. Written comments will be part of the official written record only.

### **AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER
MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL and ESTABLISH QUORUM PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of Regular Tree Board Meeting Minutes from August 14, 2023.

#### REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COUNCIL LIAISONS

Report by Tree Board Liaison.

REPORT OF SPECIAL (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees - None SPECIAL ORDERS - None

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS**

2. Discuss and Take Possible Action on Preliminary Reports from Board Members Regarding Arbor Day Celebration on November 4, 2023. (Ramos)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 3. Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding City-Wide Tree Survey of Public Trees, Rights of Way and Parks. (Ramos)
- 4. Discuss and Take Possible Action on the Establishment of City Communication With The Tree Board Regarding Trimming, Removal and Replacement of City Trees. (Ramos)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 5. Next Meeting Date: October 9, 2023.
- 6. Please bring laptops and a personal copy of the agenda and other documents, as needed.

#### **ADJOURN**

#### **POSTING CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the above notice was posted on the 8th day of September, 2023 at 4:00PM

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Suzanne J. MacKenzie, City Secretary

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#### **MINUTES**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Ramos Called the Meeting to Order at 4:36P.

#### **ROLL CALL and ESTABLISH QUORUM**

#### **PRESENT**

Chairperson Iris Ramos Vice-Chairperson Jacob McElroy Board Member Terri Burney-Bisett Board Member Nanci Coddington Board Member Dorothy Tasian Council Liaison Brent H. Pulley

#### **ABSENT**

**Board Member Cheryl Mills** 

#### STAFF PRESENT

City Secretary Suzanne Mac Kenzie

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments were offered.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from July 10, 2023.

Motion was made by Member Tasian to approve the minutes from July 10th. Motion was seconded by Member Coddington.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Yea: Chair Ramos, Vice-Chair McElroy, Member Burney-Bisett, Member Coddington, Member Tasian

Motion Passed: 5-0-0.

#### REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COUNCIL LIAISONS

Report by Tree Board Liaison. – No report was given.

Report by City Manager. - No report was given.

## REPORT OF SPECIAL (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees - None SPECIAL ORDERS - None

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS**

2. Discuss and Take Possible Action on Woodcreek Arbor Day Celebration, Including Date, Venue, Vendors, and Guest Speakers.

No action was taken on this item.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

3. Discussion of City-Wide Tree Survey, Scheduled for September/October 2023, To Be Completed by October 9, 2023.

No action was taken on this item.

4. Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding Oak Wilt "Hot Zones" in Woodcreek. (Ramos)

Motion was made by Member Burney-Bissett that Chair Ramos reach out to Karl Flocke about making an assessment about Oak Wilt in Woodcreek. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair McElroy.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Yea: Vice-Chair McElroy, Member Burney-Bisett, Member Coddington, Member

Tasian, Chair Ramos

Motion Passed: 5-0-0.

5. Discuss and Take Possible Action to Inform Property Owners About Oak Wilt Treatment and Recovery Strategies. (Ramos)

No action was taken on this item.

6. Discuss and Take Possible Action to Develop a City Plan to Clear Roadways, Road Signs, City Buildings, New Construction, and Hazardous Dead Wood, as well as, Removing and Replacing Dead Trees in Right-of-Way Areas and City Parks. (McElroy)

Motion was made by Vice-Chair McElroy that once we hear back from the Platinum Roads Committee about trees [that may be removed during the 2023 Woodcreek Roads Project], we can discuss and take appropriate action for replacement. Motion was seconded by Member Burney-Bisett.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Yea: Member Burney-Bisett, Member Coddington, Member Tasian, Chair Ramos, Vice-Chair McElroy

Motion Passed: 5-0-0.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Meeting Date: August 28<sup>th</sup> (Special Meeting) Sept. 11, 2023 (Regular Meeting) Please Bring Your Personal Copy of the Agenda or Your Laptop to the Next Meeting.

#### **ADJOURN**

Chair Ramos Adjourned the Meeting at 6:22P.

Iris Ramos, Chair

**Suzanne Mac Kenzie, City Secretary**