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Fwd: Invitation to meeting with Tree Commission in September

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Fri, Jul 16, 2021 at 6:33 AM

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Can folks tell me if they are available for this meeting and if anyone else should attend?

thanks

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From: **Carol Hotton**

Date: Wed, Jul 14, 2021 at 11:21 PM

Subject: Invitation to meeting with Tree Commission in September

To: Kate Stewart <kates@takomaparkmd.gov>, <peterk@takomaparkmd.gov>, Cindy Dyballa <cindydy@takomaparkmd.gov>, Kacy Kostiuik <KacyK@takomaparkmd.gov>, Terry Seamens <TerryS@takomaparkmd.gov>, Talisha Searcy <TalishaS@takomaparkmd.gov>, <jarretts@takomaparkmd.gov>, Daryl Braithwaite <darylB@takomaparkmd.gov>

Cc: Carol Hotton

To: Mayor Kate Stewart,

Councilmembers Peter Kovar (Ward 1), Cindy Dyballa (Ward 2), Kacy Kostiuik (Ward 3), Terry J. Seamens (Ward 4), Jarrett Smith (Ward 5) and Talisha Searcy (Ward 6), and

Daryl Braithwaite, Public Works Director

From: Takoma Park Tree Commission

Subject: Request for Meeting to Discuss Post-Decision Problems Identified by the Commission

Date: July 14, 2021

Dear Mayor Stewart, Councilmembers, and Director Braithwaite:

The Takoma Park Tree Commission ("Commission") requests your presence at its monthly meeting scheduled remotely for Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss recurring problems that the Commission has identified after its most recent hearings. These problems present obstacles to the stated objectives of Chapter 12.12.010 of the Municipal Code to "protect, preserve, promote ... the City's urban forest."

The meeting will focus on certain post-decision issues, including, but not limited to:

- 1. Coordination of City departments and/or offices within departments when so required by Commission decisions;
- 2. Compliance with Commission decisions;
- 3. Commission notifications; and
- 4. Enforcement of Commission decisions and sworn testimony given during hearings.

The Commission requests your presence at this meeting as we consider it relevant to the City's review of the structure and purpose of committees and to proposed changes to the Code. Furthermore, we hope that this discussion results in changes in policies, practices and procedures that address the aforementioned issues.

Enclosed please find a summary of the Commission's recent decisions and limitations we have identified in those proceedings, copies of the two decisions, and a letter from one of the appellants in case 2020-02 regarding post decision actions of the developer and the City.

We agree with you that it is desirable to include the new City Manager in this meeting, I would appreciate it if you could forward this to him when he comes on board in August. If the proposed meeting date above is not feasible, please let us know what dates work for you.

We will have participant Zoom instruction sent to you and look forward to meeting with you.

Very best wishes

Carol

Carol Hotton, Commission Chair

James Woodworth, Commission Vice Chair

Nancy Cohen, Commission Secretary

Bart Sheard, Commissioner

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Kate Stewart

Mayor

City of Takoma Park

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