

Introduced by: Councilmember Kostiuk

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2021-36

PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE TREE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Tree Commission is established in Chapter 12.04, Section 12.04.030 et seq. of the Takoma Park Code to preserve, protect, and promote the urban forest of the City of Takoma Park; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is responsible for hearing and ruling on appeals of tree permit decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Tree Commission is composed of up to seven members appointed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Tree Commission members are appointed to three-year terms, however, beginning in 2021, the initial terms for one-third of the Commission's members will end on June 30, 2022, one-third of the members' terms will expire on June 30, 2023, and one-third of the members' terms will expire on June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, after the initial terms have expired, all terms of office for members appointed or reappointed will be staggered three-year terms beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30; and

WHEREAS, as part of the effort to reimagine City boards and committees, the City Council amended City Code sections related to boards and committees and conducted a member recruitment that began in August 2021 and ended on October 8; and

WHEREAS, a subgroup of three City Councilmembers reviewed applications and made recommendations for appointments to the full Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following individuals are appointed to the Tree Commission for the terms indicated:

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| 1. | Maipo Martin | Ward 2 | Term Expires: June 30, 2022 |
| 2. | Paul O'Brien | Ward 4 | Term Expires: June 30, 2022 |
| 3. | Bart Sheard | Ward 3 | Term Expires: June 30, 2023 |
| 4. | Xavier Sparrow | Ward 3 | Term Expires: June 30, 2023 |

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| 5. | Gorky Villa | Ward 2 | Term Expires: June 30, 2024 |
| 6. | James Woodworth | Ward 2 | Term Expires: June 30, 2024 |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Tree Commission membership is subject to all provisions of Chapter 2.17 of the Takoma Park Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 20th day of October, 2021.

Attest:



Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk