

## GRAND JUNCTION FORESTRY BOARD AGENDA

Park Operations Office 2529 High Country Court, Grand Junction CO 81501 Thursday September 2nd, 2021 8:30 AM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approve Minutes for July Forestry Board Meeting (August meeting was canceled).
- 3. Forestry Updates
  - a. 2021 city-wide ash treatment program
    - i. Green dots versus black
    - ii. Summary of areas completed, and trees treated
    - iii. Review PowerPoint of treated versus untreated
    - iv. Trunk injections beginning in September
  - b. 2021 city manager response plan
    - i. Addition of full-time position; Ramses Vallejo now hired (once again we have four full time arborists making up two trim crews)
    - ii. Assistance from projects crew staff
    - iii. Rental of aerial lift and chipper
    - iv. Prioritization and expediting order of grapple truck
    - v. Focused effort to catch up on backlog of pruning work requests
      - 1. 2 work orders away from being caught up through July of 2021
    - vi. Utilization of Alpine Tree Service on-call contract
  - c. Significant tree loss on the west side of N 7th; Tiger Ave to Orchard Ave
  - d. Beginning to shift gears towards fall tree planting
    - i. Roughly 50 properties requesting new street trees
  - e. Xcel Foundation grant update
  - f. Meeting with Valley Grown nursery
  - g. Fire 3 construction
  - h. Utilizing canopy assessment for downtown GJ
  - i. North American Training Solutions
  - j. Western Slope Pest Meeting Update
- 4. New Business
  - a. Forestry Board member's terms expiring
    - i. Terms Expiring November 30, 2021
      - 1. Incumbent members Paul Morency, Susan Carter, Tom Ziola, Mollie Higginbotham and A. Vince Urbina
        - a. Apply for reappointment by Thursday, September 30, 2021
      - 2. City Council would like to solicit input from the Board as to the type of skills and expertise required of members
        - a. Provide feedback in a letter addressed to City Council by October 7, 2021
  - b. Preservation ash trees and diameter size class selection
  - c. Education and outreach

- 5. Public Comments
- 6. Adjourn
- 7. Next Forestry Advisory Board Meeting: Thursday October 6th, 2021 8:30 am

If you have any questions please contact Chair, Susan Carter at 244-1850 or Robert Davis, City Forester at 254-3825