

City of Ladue- Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee
January 21, 2022
Via Zoom Meetings

Members present

Laure Hullverson, Nancy Ylvisaker, Pat Steiner, Tom McCarthy, and Brook Palanca

Others present

Director of Public Works Anne Lamitola; City Arborist Sean Seed; Public Works Specialist Ashley Quinn.

Chairperson Laure Hullverson called the meeting to order.

Agenda and Minutes Approval

Pat made a motion to approve the meeting agenda and the December 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Tom seconded the motion to approve. All voted in favor and the agenda and minutes were approved.

Public Forum

None

Brook Palanca, the newest member to the BOSTA Committee was introduced. Brook is the new representative from the Public Works Committee and replaces Clint Williams.

Project Updates

Discussion about the honeysuckle removals done by private groups at the high school ensued. Future honeysuckle removal events were discussed. Brook shared that she is an admin for the Ladue Community Connect Facebook group and can promote community and committee lead events through that.

Deer Creek Preserve

Anne provided an update on the progress of the planning for the Deer Creek Preserve. The City was under contract with SWT Design for the parks plan. They would be conducting the property survey to complete the design phase and are hoping to be starting construction September 2022. Some City leaders feel that funding for the Deer Creek Preserve should ideally come from outside donors, and through the Living Legacy program. The Committee discussed ways to campaign and promote the Living Legacy program to generate community awareness and generate interest.

Rodes Park Master Plan

The first phase of work for Rodes Park will be stream bank stabilization and a pedestrian bridge over the creek. Staff hopes that design can begin in spring of 2022 and construction is planned for 2023.

(Both Tom McCarthy and Pat Steiner had to leave the meeting)

Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

The date for Arbor Day was set for April 23, 2022

The date for the annual Honeysuckle Hack was set for November 5, 2022

The Committee needs to elect a chair and a vice chair for each term. This can be discussed at the next meeting, April 8th, 2022.

Laure made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Nancy. The meeting was adjourned.

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Laure Hullverson, Chairperson