

**City of Ladue**  
**Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee**  
**February 19, 2021 7:30 am**  
**Via Zoom Meetings**

**Members present**

Laure Hullverson, Nancy Ylvisaker, Tom McCarthy, Pat Steiner

**Others present**

Director of Public Works, Anne Lamitola; City Arborist, Sean Seed; Administrative Assistant, Ashley Quinn and Mayor Nancy Spewak.

Steve Wheeler and Laurel Harrington, Christner Inc. and resident Jonathan Dehner were also in attendance.

Chairperson Laure Hullverson called the meeting to order.

Agenda and Minutes Approval

Pat made a motion to approve the agenda, Nancy seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the agenda was approved as submitted.

Pat made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2021 meeting, Nancy seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Forum – None

Project Updates

Rodes Park Master Plan- Steve Wheeler and Laurel Harrington provided an update on the community survey. There were over 300 respondents to the survey which is a great response. Steve gave a presentation of the findings, shared a conceptual master plan and gave some details on how the information would be shared at the next open house meeting to be held on February 25, 2021.

The committee shared input on the presentation to the community such as mentioning the master plan for the former Edie's Mulch site and the proposed amenities there as well as referring to the Rodes Park area as a "passive park". This could help to address some resident concerns about too many people, noise, trash etc. if Rodes Park is open with more amenities.

The ordinance regarding the picnic ban was discussed.

Members felt that the bridge was a critical component of the plan because currently there is nothing connecting the two sides of the park that is easily accessible. There would need to be bank stabilization of the creek as well.

Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 9th at 7:30 am.

This meeting will plan final details for Arbor Day on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The activities would still maintain social distancing and take place at both Rodes Park and on City Campus. There would be tree saplings for giveaway, Ask an Arborist opportunity, and the information for the Tree Scavenger Hunt.

Anne met with SWT at the Edie's mulch site to assess the current condition of the site and to obtain their help with the grant application that is due in August. We would be looking to start implementation in 2022. Final restorations may not be complete until 2022. JH Berra has expressed interest in bidding the restoration work.

The Living Legacy application and details will be on the agenda for April 9<sup>th</sup>. Anne and Ashley were working on the application but would need further policy input from committee for completion.

Laure made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Tom McCarthy. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

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Chairperson, Laure Hullverson