

City of Ladue
Beautification, Open Space and Tree Advisory Committee
August 19, 2021
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.

Chairperson Laure Hullverson called the meeting to order.

Agenda and Minutes Approval

Tom made a motion to approve the agenda for the August 19, 2021 meeting and the minutes from the June 4, 2021 meeting. Pat seconded the motion to approve as revised. All voted in favor and the agenda and minutes were approved.

Public Forum

Lynn Stephenson, Terri Hennessey and Jonathan Dehner were present for the meeting.

Lynn Stephenson from Deer Creek Stream Team introduced herself and gave some information about their group.

Edie's Mulch Site & Rodes Park Master Plan Implementation Updates

Anne Lamitola gave an update on the plans for the former Edie's Mulch Site. A grant was applied for through the Municipal Park Construction Fund in July. This funding source awarded would be \$370,000. In conjunction with the MSD easement funds that would be a total of \$679,000. The funds would go towards design and implementation in Calendar Year 2022. If funding is awarded in January 2022, we would have 18 months to complete the work which would include a portion of the high priority project elements such as mainline trail installation, plantings, and a small parking area. The south loop of the trail would be part of phase 2. The following years would be phased as:

2024 the City would be responsible for funding a pole barn to contain equipment and;

2025/2026 Implementation of Phase 2 amenities with Municipal Park Construction grant

Renaming was discussed. Nancy made a motion to rename the property as the Deer Creek Preserve with Edie's Trail being dedicated to the former Mayor as well as allowing for other naming opportunities within the park. Tom seconded the motion. All present voted "aye".

Living legacy

Discussion ensued about the draft that was presented. The Committee would like the BOSTA logo added. Discussion about wording relating to other amenities for consideration to be added as well as modifications to only referring to “memorials”. It was suggested to add wording to cover “in honor of, in memory of or in recognition of”. Final edits will be shared with the group.

Project Updates

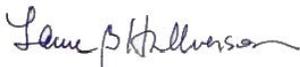
Honeysuckle Hack date for 2021 was tentatively set for Saturday, November 13th, 2021.

Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

Discussion occurred about program resources for residents such as Bring Conservation Home through the Audubon Society where residents can meet with professionals for tips and help with removing invasive honeysuckle and other invasive species as well as replanting. Resident Terri Hennessey would be very interested in these resources as she reaches out to other neighbors that live adjacent to the creek that runs through Deer Creek Preserve. Laure will write an article for the newsletter/website that can be shared.

The next date for meeting was set for September 10, 2021.

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



Laure Hullverson, Chairperson