

“There is not a village in America, however badly planned at first, or ill-built afterwards, that may not be redeemed, in a great measure, by the aid of shade trees in the streets ... and it is never too late or too early to project improvements of this kind.”

Andrew Jackson Downing (1815-1852)

**CITY OF PORTSMOUTH
TREES AND PUBLIC GREENERY COMMITTEE
8:00 AM – Wednesday, December 14, 2022**

AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Minutes of November meeting. (attached)
2. Tree Removal Requests.
 - Union St Area Improvement Project presentation, (including five removals), featuring Dave Desfosses.
 - Alex Ross, of Ross Engineering LLC., is seeking approval to fulfill Condition 1.11 of the Site Plan Review Regulations of selected species to be planted in the right of way at 140 West Rd. 1.11) Plantings in the public Right of Way receive approval from the Trees and Greenery Committee.
 - Removals:
 - 457 Broad St: homeowner request, Silver maple, poor health, removal recommended by city. Significant damage occurred during October storm, living canopy failure totaling 50%. City has pruned tree recently, but with the damage done and the discovery of basal decay, it is appropriate to remove.
 - 70 Kensington Rd: city request, Norway maple, poor health, removal recommended by city. The arborist crew responded to a splitting leader of the tree and determined removal of the leader was appropriate as the split appeared larger after a recent windstorm. The leader represented
 - 1/3 of total healthy canopy. There is also significant decay and fruiting bodies on the house-side of the tree that runs the height of the trunk into where all major unions are attached.
 - The following five trees listed are recommended for removal as part of the Union St Area Improvement Project:
 - 87 Union St: Red maple
 - 104 Union St: hawthorn
 - 107/109 Union St: (2) Ginkgo biloba
 - 119 Union St:
3. Evergreen Identification Presentation

4. Update from City Arborist Maxwell Waiter
5. Tree Planting for the City's 400th
6. Old Business
7. New Business

Next Meeting Wednesday January 11, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter J. Loughlin, Chair

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