



## CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION



Green Committee –Minutes - February 9, 2016

In attendance: Anne Little, Jason Coiner, David Dorsey, Anne Gearon, Sally Hall, Carolyn Helfrich, Gary Johnson, Morgan Kash, Dave King, Carl Little, Erik Nelson, Jim Sencindiver, Tom Snoddy, Kevin Utt, Steve Watkins, Joni Wilson, Mike Craig, Bill Freehling, Marne Sherman

- The Planting Areas for Spring 2016 are as follows:
  - Lafayette Blvd – 60 trees –a \$5000 grant was received from EDA to help plant from Willis to Kenmore on Lafayette. 35 of these trees will be single stem crepe myrtles that will not grow above the power lines. All this section of Lafayette has power lines on both sides of the street.
  - City Shop - 21 trees– The city shop personnel will plant this area. There were a number of Bradford pear trees removed last year along the parking lot.
  - Hanover Charles – 19 trees – many utility tree conflicts were removed in this area.
  - Utility tree conflict – 60 trees scattered throughout the city. This is a grant to remove trees that are too large and growing into the power lines
  - Idlewild section 1 -126 trees. This is a partnership between the Village of Idlewild and the City to replace trees that are not appropriate for the size utility strip with a more appropriate species.
  - Downtown/William Street/ Caroline St – 50
  - Misc – Sunshine Park – 5 trees paid for by Sunshine Foundation; Old Mill Park- 17 trees. This finished the spring planting of a grant and replacement of beaver fatality trees; VCR Trail – 4 trees completing the fall planting of a contract to plant the VCR trail.
  - Bare root planting for spring
- We are working 2 grants this spring. Utility trees for 10k from Virginia Forestry Dept and Lafayette Blvd 5k from the EDA
- Jason Coiner from Bartlett trees suggested we add biochar and compost to the downtown tree wells to feed the trees. Jason will send more info to Dave King and they will price out the cost for each tree well.
- The landscape plan for Hurkamp Park needs to be started soon. Aaron Simmons from Parks and Rec will let us know when we need to meet and discuss.
- Jason Coiner talked about doing pruning of trees on a contract basis. Dave King will look into how the city needs to do the bids
- We discussed getting a grant for redoing daylily hill. Anne Little will look into the possibilities.

### **Discussion**

Bill Freehling from EDA, Marne Sherman and Mike Craig from Planning did a presentation on the city owned parking lot on Amelia between Prince Edward and Charles Streets. The committee agreed to help with the plan for the landscaping. We adjourned and gathered at the



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site and reviewed the parameters for the plan. Carolyn Helfrich will finalize the plan with input from Anne Gearon, Joni Wilson and Anne Little. Bill needs to plan completed by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

The 2016 fall and 2017 spring planting areas are listed below. This list was gleaned from input by the members of the committee and also from requests from the public. The green committee members will visit the areas and rate them from 1-10 (1 being highest priority) by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Members are free to add additional planting areas to the list

# Trees	Areas	Rating
50	Charles btw Canal and Ford (by Dorothy Hart)	
50	Hanover across from College Fields	
50	Lee/Weedon (Salon 710)	
50	Germania/Elm (Fall Hill by Old Hospital)	
50	Kensington (out Lafayette Blvd)	
50	Caroline/ Dixon (Lower Caroline)	
40	William St - Charles to Barton	
50	Rowe Augustine (College Heights)	
50	Hunter/Elm (Carls Ice Cream)	
50	Hanson /Welford (Riverside)	
50	Franklin/Monument (College Terrace)	
50	Shepherd/Willis (Battlefield)	

The next meeting of the Green Committee is Tuesday, May 10. 8:00 a.m.