

ASHLAND



Ashland Tree Commission

Draft Minutes

July 7, 2022

Call to Order

Commission Chair Chris John called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm in the Siskiyou Room at the Community Development and Engineering Offices located at 51 Winburn Way, Ashland, Oregon, 97520.

| Commissioners | Council Liaison |
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| Christopher John | Stephen Jensen Absent |
| Asa Cates | |
| Vacancy (3) | Park Liaison |
| Eric Simpson | Peter Baughman |
| Vacancy (5) | |
| Cat Gould Absent | Staff Present: |
| Vacancy (7) | Aaron Anderson: Associate Planner |
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| Members of the Public in Attendance: | |
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NOTE: there were no meetings in May and June due to lack of applications to review

Approval of Minutes

Commissioners Chris John / Eric Simpson m/s to approve the minutes of April 7, 2022. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed

Public Forum

There was no one in the audience wishing to speak.

Liaison reports

Council Liaison – Liaison not in attendance

Parks & Recreation Liaison – Peter reported that in May a windstorm took out a large maple tree in the park row which was removed prior to receiving approval. Peter also reported that the TID is running and helping irrigation operations

Community Development Liaison – nothing significant to report

TYPE I REVIEWS

PLANNING ACTION: PA-TREE-2022-00190 **SUBJECT PROPERTY:**237 N First Street

OWNER/APPLICANT: Canopy LLC for Ashland Food Cooperative

DESCRIPTION: A request to remove one ash tree located near the First Street access to the Ashland Food Cooperative. The application includes a letter from Canopy LLC stating that the location of the tree has

caused and will continue to cause significant damage to the adjacent sidewalk.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DESIGNATION: Employment & Multi-family Residential; ZONING: E-1 & R-2;

MAP: 39 1E 09 BA, **TAX LOT:** 13401

There was a brief conversation regarding the health of the tree and the nature of the conflict with the sidewalk. Cates stated that Raywood ashes are problematic and quoted from the arborist report. Simpson remarked that it was a no brainer.

Chris John recuses from vote

Commissioners Eric Simpson / Asa Cates m/s to approve the application as written. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed.

TYPE II REVIEWS - NONE

STREET TREE REMOVAL PERMITS

The below street trees were already removed due to Hazardous conditions.

- 955 N Mountain: Street Tree removal of (2) Cedar Trees at intersection of N Mountain and E Nevada
- Fire Oaks/Mountain 2x street tree removal COA Streets Dept.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at p.m. **Next Meeting:** August 4, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Liz Hamilton