

Greenscape Commission Meeting
Monday, July 20, 6:00pm
Hornet Park Community Center, Room D

Members present: Dave Miller, Tim Latimer, Brian Clayton, Mike Masterson, and Beth Berg. Guest: Paul Severance.

Dave Miller would like for the commission to update our website. New photos are needed as soon as possible. We should also get something about the tree inventory on the front page, perhaps after the interview for The Southside Voice. Sarah Latimer took a photograph of our group for the newspaper. Miller will contact Fred Cavinder to discuss the planned article.

Mike Masterson asked if immediate maintenance needs were being noted as we inventory street trees. Our goal is to help the city develop a three-year cycle for maintenance and pruning, but immediate needs will be reported as well. Tim Latimer asked whom we should report problems to. Brad Meriwether should be notified of problems with street trees. Sam Merl, as Compliance Officer, should be notified of problems with homeowner trees impeding right-of-ways. Miller would like to work with Meriwether and provide training for some of our parks and streets employees on proper pruning techniques.

Miller, Latimer, and Berg have begun inventory in zones six, one, and five respectively. Latimer said he was finding the task easier than he had anticipated. Berg had a question on whether she was properly assessing the condition of trees. There was also a discussion on determining the easement on streets with no sidewalks. Miller reminded everyone that we would not be counting brush tree areas. Several tree identification books were presented. Additional copies of the most helpful ones will be ordered.

With the difficulties we are having with the Schneider Corporation, an alternative to utilizing the city's GPS and GIS website needs to be developed.

The next meeting of the commission will be Monday, August 17, 6:00pm at the Hornet Park Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Berg
Greenscape Commission Secretary