



**AGENDA
CITY OF CREVE COEUR
HORTICULTURE, ECOLOGY, AND
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM
MARCH 25, 2026
4:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of February 18, 2026, Regular HEB Committee Meeting Minutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Continuation of Arbor Day Discussion with Japan America Society
3. Plan Arbor Day Celebration stations and staffing
4. Discuss additional booths/participants (Ned's Nesting Boxes & St. Louis County)

NEXT MEETING DATE

5. Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 4:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

Posted by: _____

Date/Time posted: _____

If you need special accommodations to attend a meeting, services may be arranged by contacting the Office of the City Administrator in advance.



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CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Horticulture, Ecology, & Beautification Committee of the City of Creve Coeur was called to order by HEB Vice Chair Gene Rovak on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 4:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Chair Paulette Pierson - Absent
Vice Chair Gene Rovak
Committee Member Fran Cantor
Committee Member Rachel Eilbott - Absent
Committee Member Carolyn Hull - Ryde Bower
Committee Member Carol Mueller
Committee Member Gene Rovak
Committee Member Tracy Grass

Council Liaison Kimberly Norwood - Absent
Staff Liaison Emily Groves
City Arborist Matt Kammerer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<p>RESULT: Approval of 01/21/2026 Minutes MOVER: Fran Cantor SECONDER: Tracy Grass AYES: Carolyn Bower, Carol Mueller, Gene Rovak NAYS: None</p>

1. Approval of 01/21/2026 Minutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Arbor Day Discussion with Japan America Society

The HEB Committee hosted a virtual meeting with the Japan America Society to learn more about their organization and to discuss their participation in the Arbor Day Celebration. Representatives from JAS included Chip Meyer, Izumi Mueller, Hiroko Yoshii, and Yuku Kitajima.

It was decided that the Japan America Society will host three (3) tables; Origami (art of



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paper folding), Shodo (art of calligraphy), and an Information table. There was also discussion about a Bon Odori (traditional Japanese dance) performance. Chip Meyer of JAS will contact the leader of the Bon Odori group, Yukkio Ring, to gauge the dance group's interest and availability. They will need a space to change into their traditional costume, and this could be the lower level of the Tappmeyer House.

HEB will provide a speaker & microphone, tables, chairs, and a committee member (most likely Carol Mueller) will be available to them throughout the event. Emily Groves will work with the Finance Team to set Japan America Society up as a new vendor with the City of Creve Coeur.

3. Arbor Day Discussion with Public Works

Creve Coeur City Arborist, Matt Kammerer, will connect with Claire Chosid (PHP Committee Member & Team Tappmeyer Lead) to discuss details for the Arbor Day tree planting demonstration, including species and planting location. Matt Kammerer will purchase the chosen tree and pre-dig the hole.

Fran Cantor will check in with Mara Berry to discuss prize plantings for the Arbor Day Art Contest 1st place winners. We will need 9-10 more mature saplings/shrubs.

Carol Mueller and Gene Rovak will meet Matt Kammerer at Tappmeyer to test the new artwork hangers and see how many more might be needed.

4. Street Tree Planting Program Q&A with Public Works

The HEB Committee would like "Missouri Native" written alongside the native trees on the Street Tree Planting list since not all trees listed are native to Missouri.

Matt Kammerer will check in with Public Works Director, Jim Heines to ask if the HEB Committee may propose alternate trees for the Street Tree Planting Program when it comes time to renew the contract for the trees.

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RESULT: ADJOURNMENT

MOVER: Fran Cantor

SECONDER: Gene Rovak

AYES: Fran Cantor, Carolyn Hull-Ryde Bower, Carol Mueller, Gene Rovak, Tracy
Grass

NAYS: None