



**Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee  
Committee Meeting Agenda  
June 10, 2020  
4:30 PM  
Phone Conference**

**1. Meeting held through Google Meet**

***A. Phone: 1-615-965-4112***

***B. Pin# 119 656 997 #***

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Roll Call**

**4. Approval of Minutes**

- 1. Approval of May 13, 2020 Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes**

**5. Unfinished Business**

***A. Beautification Contest Updates***

***B. Nine Bark Give-A-Way Thanks***

***C. Invasive Plant Removal Situation***

**6. New Business**

***A. Status of Median Improvement***

***B. Monarch Banners***

**7. Comments from the Public**

(Citizens are asked to limit comments to three minutes and to complete a speaker card)

**8. Business from Members**

**9. Business from Staff Liaison**

***A. Volunteers Needed***

***B. Millennium Park Volunteer Waiver***

***C. Zoom Meeting Capabilities***

**10. Adjourn**



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**1. Call to Join Meeting**

**A. Phone Conference - Dial 1-419-901-8203**

**B. Enter Pin # 296 483 625#**

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Roll Call**

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| Fran Cantor      | Committee Member           |          |
| Rachel Eilbott   | Committee Member           |          |
| Nancy Meyer      | Committee Member           |          |
| James Graham     | Chair                      |          |
| Claire Chosid    | Vice Chair                 |          |
| Teresa Bell      | Committee Member           | (Absent) |
| Paulette Pierson | Committee Member           | (Absent) |
| Mara Berry       | Committee Member           |          |
| James Berry      | Committee Member           |          |
| Susan Baseley    | Council Liaison            |          |
| Janet Rueschhoff | Human Resources Generalist |          |

**4. Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of April 8, 2020 Horticulture, Ecology and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                          |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Mara Berry, Committee Member                         |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Nancy Meyer, Committee Member                        |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Cantor, Eilbott, Meyer, Graham, Chosid, Berry, Berry |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Bell, Pierson                                        |

**5. Unfinished Business**

**A. Art Contest Winners**

Jim Graham has contacted all the place winners for the Arbor Day Art Contest. Janet is in the process of sending out thank you letters to all participants and including their participation ribbon.

All artwork will be displayed in the Gov't Center for viewing. Those who were awarded place ribbons will be displayed on the City's website and the names of the winners will be listed in the City's newsletter.

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**B. Nine Bark Give-a-Way**

Mara and Jim Berry attended the Creve Coeur Farmer's Market for the purpose of distributing the Arbor Day plants. Mara reported giving away 50 plants to enthusiastic customers. The Berry's will attend again to distribute more plants.

**C. Invasive Plant Removal Acknowledgement**

Mara Berry will draft a letter acknowledging and thanking residents who take initiative to remove invasive plants around the city. The Committee is to review the letter and provide comments at the June meeting.

Other recognition ideas included placing the resident's name in the newsletter.

Some questions surrounding this process were:

How do we find out who lives at a specific address?

How will the Committee know who has removed invasive plants from their yard?

1. Committee observation?
2. Someone nominates their neighbor to the Committee?
3. Residents report the activity to the Committee?

**6. New Business**

**A. Beautification Contest**

The Committee shared thoughts and concerns regarding the continuation of the Beautification Contest for this year. The Committee was informed of other activities throughout the city being cancelled and we discussed the lack of safety to judge the entries.

**1. A Motion was made to Postpone the 2020 Beautification Contest due to COVID-19 and reschedule for 2021**

The two current entries will be emailed information regarding this by Janet Rueschhoff.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                          |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Claire Chosid, Vice Chair                            |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Mara Berry, Committee Member                         |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Cantor, Eilbott, Meyer, Graham, Chosid, Berry, Berry |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Bell, Pierson                                        |

**B. New Chair Election**

Jim Graham was informed the Committee he is eligible to serve for one more year according to the City Clerk.

Mara and Clair both shared their appreciation for Jim's service and leadership of the committee. All were in agreement.

**7. Comments from the Public**

No one from the public came forth during the teleconferencing.

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## 8. Business from Members

Mara Berry inquired about the CIP project for new plantings in the medians along N. New Ballas Road and when that plan was to go in affect.

Sue Baseley informed the Committee that many projects throughout the City will be scaled back due to the economic conditions. The projects have not been eliminated, however, the City's focus will be on those items considered priority..

## 9. Business from Staff Liaison

Janet verified that the next meeting will be Wednesday, June 10, 2020. This will also be a teleconference meeting.

## 10. Adjourn

### 1. A Motion to Adjourn was made.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                          |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | James Berry, Committee Member                        |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Claire Chosid, Vice Chair                            |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Cantor, Eilbott, Meyer, Graham, Chosid, Berry, Berry |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Bell, Pierson                                        |

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