



Agenda

Wilmington Tree Commission Regular Meeting

929 N Front St, Room 156.7, Wilmington NC

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Meeting ID: 835 9354 3341

9:30 – 11:00 am, November 20, 2024

1. Call to order; note presence of quorum (4/7).
2. Review and approve minutes from October 16, 2024 - **(VOTE)**
3. New Commissioner Introduction: Rhonda Waterhouse
4. **Heritage Tree and Tree Awards** – Update
5. Strategic Planning committee updates.
 - a) **Tree Ordinance and Enforcement**- SMART GOAL: Educate all groups on how tree ordinance works by end of fiscal year 2025 (Committee members Tom and Dan).
 - b) **Resource Commitment** – SMART GOAL: Provide support to City and other organizations in the implementation of the Urban Forestry Master Plan (UFMP) (Committee members are Tom who is committee chair, Cathey) Urban Forest Master Plan – (Sally/Aaron) update on progress of action plans
 - c) **Community Education** – SMART GOAL: Develop an ad hoc committee to identify 3-5 actions/activities to incorp into workplan by end of 2025 (Committee members are Kate, Alana, and Dan Camacho (Alliance for Cape Fear Trees)) - Native Tree list-(Kate) update.
6. Dan Camacho - Update on activities of the Alliance for Cape Fear Trees
7. New Business
 - Officer Elections **(VOTE)** – Chair and Vice Chair
 - 2025 Calendar **(VOTE)**
 - Commission Workshop:
 - o Coat of Arms Exercise
 - o Challenges and Opportunities Activity
 - o Identify WTC Priority Initiatives

Next Meeting is at 9:30 am, Wednesday, **November 20, 2024**. The meeting will be hybrid, (via zoom or in person at **929 N Front St. Room 156.7**)

- a) Adjourn –

Wilmington Tree Commission Strategic Planning Workshop Details:

Facilitated by Travis Henley (Comprehensive Planning and Urban Design (CPUD) Planning Manager) and Haley Hopkins (CPUD Planner I)

Purpose: Begin to identify the highest priority initiatives for the Wilmington Tree Commission to focus on over the next one to two years.

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1. Coat of Arms Exercise (15 min.)
2. Challenges and Opportunities Activity (30 min.)
3. Identify WTC Priority Initiatives (15 min.)

Next Meeting (Jan.)

4. Action Planning
5. Finalize initiatives for next one to two years

Agenda Item 1: Coat of Arms Exercise**Exercise:**

5 min: Each Commissioner will create their own 'coat of arms' addressing the following:

- Something you are proud of in the past year
- A skill or aptitude you bring to the table
- Something positive that drew you to the Tree Commission
- Something you want to accomplish during the workshop
- Words to live by

10 min: Share-out

Agenda Item 2: Challenges and Opportunities Activity

15 min: In two groups, identify:

1. What challenges are the Wilmington Tree Commission and the City facing relative to preserving and improving urban tree canopy?
2. What are the opportunities for the Wilmington Tree Commission and the city that we can capitalize on?

15 min: Share-out

Agenda Item 3: Identify WTC Priority Initiatives

5 min: Using green dots, identify 3 priorities that stand out to you as the most important and actionable for the Wilmington Tree Commission.

10 min: Review responses and open discussion.