



Urban Forest Strategic Planning Open House

Meeting Overview & Agenda

April 8, 2014

7:00pm-8:30pm

Shoreline City Hall Council Chambers

17500 Midvale North

Join the Shoreline Tree/PRCS Board at an open house on Tuesday, April 8 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to learn about the City's efforts to develop an Urban Forest Strategic Plan for the City. The development of this strategic plan is a collaborative process between City staff, the advisory Tree Board (PRCS Board), and the public, facilitated by an urban forestry consultant. The Draft Plan's Initial Strategies for Key Priorities and Strategies with Timeline & Budget (Summarized in Appendix C and D and attached hereto) will be the focus of meeting.

7:00pm Welcome and Introduction

Dick Deal, Shoreline Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director
Elizabeth Walker, Terra Firm Consulting Urban Forester

7:15pm Initial Strategies for Key Priorities Breakout and Report Back Session

- The Vegetation Resource
- Resource Management
- Staffing and Funding
- Community Framework

8:15 pm Next Steps/Closing Statements

- Public Comment Due, Monday, April 14
- PRCS/Tree Board Meeting, April 24
- City Council Meeting Discussion April 28
- City Council Meeting Adoption of Plan May 19

For those unable to attend the open house, comments will be received via our comment form on our website at www.shorelinewa.gov/urbanforest or via email at pks@shorelinewa.gov until Monday, April 14.

APPENDIX D

Shoreline's Initial Strategies for Key Priorities

1. Relative Canopy Cover

- Identify appropriate potential planting space on public property through I-Tree/GIS analysis using UTC Assessment (2011) base

2. Species Suitability

- Update ROW Tree Species List (improved and unimproved ROW categories) and include detailed information for proper selection
- Review city projects for native species use

3. Tree Inventory

- Develop a work plan from inventory addressing priority action
- Coordinate the integration of inventory data into new Asset Management system
- Implement a young street tree pruning project

4. City-wide Management Plan

- Develop stewardship/regeneration plans from existing open space/park plant studies
- Develop policy for ROW trees - removal, replacement, proper pruning, etc.
- Develop a tree risk management program for street trees and parks

5. City Funding

- Develop framework and budget for a city program
- Annual program work plan using strategic plan (with performance measures)
- Conversation with Surface Water & Environmental Services for program funding
- Explore KCD's jurisdictional grant program for stewardship projects

6. City Staffing

- Formalize City 'Tree Team' with guidelines/policy for inter-departmental and inter-agency coordination
- Staff to CTMI training

7. Neighborhood Action/Increased Awareness

- Partner with other stewardship programs
- Support community invasive species removal efforts
- Expand Arbor Day event to increase public awareness
- Cost/benefit analysis of a Shoreline Urban Forest Steward Program

APPENDIX C: Shoreline Strategies with Timeline & Budget

	STRATEGY	SHORT 1-5 YRS	MID 6-10 YRS	LONG >10 YRS	BUDGET
1	Update Street Tree List	√			\$
2	Establish policy for street tree management	√			\$
3	Develop work plan from street tree inventory	√			\$\$
4	Young street tree pruning project	√			\$
5	Integrate inventory into new Asset Management System	√			\$
6	Framework & budget for a city program	√			\$\$-\$\$\$
7	Conversation with Surface Water Environmental Services for program funding	√			\$
8	Staff to CTMI training	√			\$
9	Formalize City Tree Team – intercity, interagency communication, coordination	√			\$
10	Expand Arbor Day celebration – public awareness	√			\$-\$\$
11	Identify public planting space with GIS/UTC assessment	√			\$
12	Stewardship/regeneration plans from existing plant studies and GIS	√	√		\$-\$\$
13	Develop tree risk management program for street trees and parks	√	√		\$-\$\$
14	Strengthen education component for tree protection and care	√	√		\$
15	Support community invasive species removal efforts	√	√		\$-\$\$
16	Review city projects for native species use	√	√	√	\$
17	Annual program work plan using strategic plan (include performance measures)	√	√	√	\$
18	Partner with other stewardship programs	√	√	√	\$
19	Ecosystem Analysis of city open space		√		\$-\$\$
20	Urban Tree Canopy Assessment update		√		\$
21	Forest Stewardship training & volunteer program		√		\$\$
22	Analyze inventory – increase diversity		√		\$
23	Improve compliance – right tree, right place, incentives, enforcement		√		\$\$
24	Work with local nurseries, utilities to promote right tree, right place		√		\$
25	Interact with regional cities		√		\$
26	Heritage Tree Program		√	√	\$-\$\$
27	Stewardship plan framework with landholders and managers		√	√	\$
28	List of approved tree care companies for street tree work		√	√	\$

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\$ = \$1-5k; \$\$ = \$5-15k; \$\$\$ = at least \$25k