



Town of Holly Springs
Tree Advisory Committee
6:00 PM **Monday, April 8, 2024**

Regular Meeting
Holly Springs Town Hall Council Chambers
128 S. Main Street, 2nd Floor

Agenda

1. Call to Order

2. Agenda Adjustment

3. Minutes

- a. October 9, 2023 Minutes
- b. January 8, 2024 Minutes

4. General Business

- a. Wild About Nature
- b. Arbor Day
- c. Street Tree Replacement Update

5. Other Business

6. Next Meeting

7. Adjournment

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Town of Holly Springs Tree Advisory Committee

Agenda Cover Sheet

Agenda Item#: 3.a.

New Business

Title: October 9, 2023 Minutes

Strategic Priority Area:

Staff Resource:

Action(s):

- Approve October 9, 2023 minutes

Explanation:

Background:

Funding Source(s):

Attachment(s):

1. 10092023_Minutes



Town of Holly Springs

Tree Advisory Committee

Minutes: October 9, 2023

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Agenda Item 1: ROLL CALL

The Tree Advisory Committee met on Monday, October 9, 2023 in Town Hall at 128 South Main Street at 6:06 P.M. when quorum was established.

Members Present: Marissa Parker, Vice Chair
Ginny Suever
Russell Lichtenstein
Eric Dean

Members Absent: Kelly Oten, Chair

Ex-Officio

Members Present: Danielle Hewetson, Town Council Representative
Chris Deshazor, Planning Board Representative
Joanna Holder, Planning Board Representative (alternate)
Susan Smith, Parks & Rec Advisory Committee
Bridget Peters, Junior Member

Ex-Officio

Members Absent: Sarah Larson, Parks & Rec Advisory Committee

Staff Present: Sean Ryan
Aaron Prichard
Conor Ryan
Taylor Jackson
Melissa Harden

Others Present:

Agenda Item 2: Agenda Adjustment

No Agenda Adjustments

Agenda Item 3: Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes for the July 10, 2023 meeting.

Motion by: Chris Deshazor

Seconded by: Eric Dean

Action: *The committee voted in favor of the motion. (3-0)*

Agenda Item 4a: Wake County LCA/TCA

Tim Maloney presented the Board with a summary of the findings of the Wake County Land Canopy Analysis and Tree Canopy Assessment. The presentation covered the purpose and scope of the study and how it fit within the goals of the Wake County Board. The presentation covered the methodology and

findings of the land cover analysis. The presentation covered the findings of the tree canopy assessment, including the change in canopy over a 10-year span from 2010-2020. The presentation covered the recommendations from the study, including an identification of planting areas and a description of the next steps Wake County plans to take.

Danielle Hewetson asked a question about comparisons between larger and smaller municipalities and how to reconcile differences between them, using Raleigh and HS as examples. Mr. Maloney responded first by describing Raleigh's redevelopment efforts, then noted how unincorporated areas made comparisons difficult, using Mecklenburg county as an example of a place that is mostly built out. Mr. Maloney concluded by stating that it's difficult to compare municipalities across the state and in different counties, and noted that the study wanted to set a baseline for where the canopy is now and then do another study in the future to see how ordinances impact change.

Susan Smith asked question about whether there was a certain type of tree that made up the canopy in poor health. Mr. Maloney replied that there was not a way to discern whether a specific species was responsible for the poor canopy.

Marissa Parker asked for the name of the consultant that helped conduct the study. Tim replied that the consultant was Davey Resource Group.

Marissa Parker asked whether there was a benchmark prior to 2010-2020 to compare the current study to. Mr. Maloney responded that there is not.

Eric Dean asked whether there were benchmark municipalities to consider acceptable loss. Mr. Maloney responded that the other municipalities in the study can be used to benchmark.

Marissa Parker asked about where to get the data at the parcel level. Mr. Maloney replied that the information was given later in the slideshow.

Chris Deshazor asked about the model showing tree possible locations and whether the tool allowed for estimating the budget required to fulfill all possible planting locations. Mr. Maloney replied that the tool accommodated that.

Marissa Parker asked for clarification that the tree planting priority locations were based on heat islands. Mr. Maloney added that social equity was also part of the calculation. Mrs. Parker asked about whether types of trees are recommended based on those priorities. Mr. Maloney noted the data didn't cover that and to ask local experts, though strongly recommended the use native species.

Eric Dean asked about soil classification and how the soil can inhibit growth. Mr. Maloney noted that the soil survey can help guide process for choosing trees.

Joanna Holder discussed tree-friendly policies and HOAs and asked if there are things to encourage or discourage for tree-related policies. Mr. Maloney replied that it should be guided by local decisions and that the study was not meant to make policy recommendations.

Danielle Hewetson asked if slides from the presentation will be made available to the Board. Aaron Prichard replied yes.

Susan Smith asked about where the tips and tricks for the canopy tool are located on the website. Mr. Maloney said that the tips and tricks are not available yet and that the guides are in the works

Agenda Item 5a: Street Tree Replacement Program

Aaron Prichard updated the Board on the success of the Town's Street Tree Replacement Grant Program, noting that the amount of funding allocated had been used to fund 14 grants, but that there remained 23 grant applications unfunded. Mr. Prichard asked if the Board would like to allocate additional funds in

order to cover more of the applications that remained, at the expense of funding a Town-led tree replacement project.

Danielle Hewetson asked if all of the funding has been qualified, in that they are covering the replacement of decayed, diseased trees. Conor Ryan answered that Staff cross-references the trees up for replacement with the aerial imagery provided and with the Town's street tree database. Mrs. Hewetson asked if the remaining \$30,000 is already spoken for through a different project. Aaron Prichard noted that Staff is using \$30,000 from the previous year to fund replacement through a Town project. Mrs. Hewetson asked if the funds roll over, and if there were ways to get better rates since one subdivision is spending half of fee rate on replacement. Mr. Prichard replied that landscapers were advertising a \$750 deal for replacement.

Russell Lichtenstein noted that the nine-tree replacement application is from his company and that the \$3,000 quoted for the tree replacement is not all inclusive.

Joanna Holder asked about for more background info on trees and the grant program.

Chris Deshazor asked if the Board can approve moving the remaining \$30,000 to the grant program without the \$3,000 application, and asked if the application in question is for an established neighborhood as old neighborhoods may want bigger trees. Mr. Deshazor said that he supports moving money to grant program.

Danielle Hewetson asked if Staff is keeping applications open. Conor Ryan responded that the applications currently on the waitlist would go through our normal permit approval process. Mrs. Hewetson noted that she supports moving the \$30,000 to the grant program.

Russell Lichtenstein asked about Staff's process for checking funding granted against the funding request. Conor Ryan responded that Staff checks at the beginning and end of the process to ensure the reimbursement matches the request.

Eric Dean asked about checking to make sure the new trees are installed correctly. Conor Ryan responded that yes, Staff inspects the trees to ensure they were installed correctly.

Susan Smith asked if Staff vets vendors and landscaping companies. Aaron Prichard says Staff does not and any conflicts regarding the work being done should remain between the contractor and the homeowner.

Russell asked if Staff helps homeowners with the application process. Aaron Prichard said yes, Staff will go back and forth with the applicant to get the application right.

Susan Smith noted feedback that HOAs tried to apply for the program themselves but found it difficult, and if Staff will do anything to tailor the application process to a group rather than an individual.

Susan Smith and Russell Lichtenstein discussed whether to disqualify HOAs as applicants. Aaron Prichard said Staff will bring back any proposed changes to the program to the Board for input.

Danielle Hewetson asked about changing the process away from first-come, first-serve and pondered whether it would be good to go to prioritization areas instead, based on the canopy assessment and the Town's own research. Marissa Parker and Susan Smith agreed. Mrs. Smith noted that it would be good to use the Town's new 311 tool for the purpose as well, as the Town can gather historical data from 311 and portal.

Joanna Holder asked whether there was any education Staff provided to homeowners on how to take care of street trees and whether it would be good to add such education to the program. Danielle Hewetson agreed.

Susan Smith asked about how Staff holds the landscapers putting trees in responsible for their health, using gator bags as example. Russell Lichtenstein noted that depending on season, gator bags aren't necessary.

Marissa Parker asked to make sure it was in the minutes to note she and Danielle Hewetson's discussion on prioritization areas for street tree replacement.

Marissa Parker asked about where the \$21,000 asked for fully funding the remaining applications was coming from. Aaron Prichard replied that it was coming from the total \$40,000 for tree replacement from budget.

Marissa Parker asked what the Town would do with the remaining \$30,000 if not used for the grant program. Aaron Prichard noted that it would go to a Town-led program similar to the one going on now. Mrs. Parker asked how trees are chosen for the Town program. Sean Ryan noted it was from the street tree database and it was difficult for Staff to find trees. Mrs. Parker asked if there were any reasons not to use the funding. Mr. Ryan noted that there were no current plans for the funds and that the grant program was a cost-effective way to get the trees replaced.

Russell Lichtenstein asked why the program was so popular this year. Aaron Prichard noted that the website, webpage, and newsletter helped, and that the updated HOA contact list helped.

Joanna Holder asked that if Staff wanted to plant some new trees in areas not owned by the Town, where the money for funding would come from. Aaron Prichard replied that the trees for the grant program are street trees not open area trees. Mr. Prichard and Sean Ryan noted that there is a different pot of funds for street and canopy trees, and that street trees are in the ROW, thus being in the Town's jurisdiction, but the Town holds homeowners responsible for maintenance.

Marissa Parker asked where the funding for putting in new trees comes from. Sean Ryan replied that new trees in new development come from the developer, not the Town, though if it's done with a Town project then the Town pays for it through its general landscaping budget.

Joanna Holder asked where the funding for filling Womble Park would come from. Sean Ryan noted that funding would have to come from Town Council.

Susan Smith asked about the dead and dying trees around Womble Park. Sean Ryan noted replacement would come from the Town's budget.

Marissa Parker noted that the \$10,000 and \$40,000 split between homeowners and the Town seemed disproportionate, and asked about how moving the funds around would work. Aaron Prichard noted that \$40,000 was allocated, and the Tree Advisory Committee in past determined how it would be split, and noted that the \$10,000 wasn't fully used last cycle, though with the \$40,000 the Board has flexibility in allocation. Sean Ryan said that the funding has been moved around as part of the pilot program and tested in different proportions, and noted that the new data and current applications can help determine path for next grant program cycle.

Susan asked if all plantings will go on in the planting season. Aaron Prichard said yes, and that deadline was December 17 for work being done and January for applicants to submit the receipt to get reimbursement.

Aaron Prichard clarified that the \$3,000 application for nine red maples applied for by the HOA would go back to review, but that the rest of the applications would be funded normally, and that the sliding funds over would only be for this year.

Danielle Hewetson motioned to allocate remaining budget to fund all applications on waiting list. Chris Deshazor seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by: Danielle Hewetson

Seconded by: Chris Deshazor

Action: *The committee voted in favor of the motion. (4-0)*

Agenda Item 5b: Hollyfest 2023

Aaron Prichard updated the Board on Staff's efforts for Hollyfest, including the giveaways planned for the event. Mr. Prichard then notified the Board that volunteers from the committee were needed, and asked whether the Board would like to do a children's activity at Hollyfest.

Danielle Hewetson and Russell Lichtenstein clarified that Kelly Oten would bring tracing for the children's activity.

Russell Lichtenstein asked about big giveaways for Hollyfest. Sean Ryan clarified that Staff would be doing the tubing giveaway at Hollyfest and tree planting at Arbor Day instead of tree giveaway.

Agenda Item 5c: 2022 Tree City USA

Aaron Prichard updated the Board on the status of the Town's 2023 Tree City USA application, including the deadline and the requirements to receive the recognition. Mr. Prichard went into detail on the requirement for the Town to spend \$2 per capita on tree-related expenses, and defined what expenses are eligible to count toward the requirement.

Agenda Item 5d: Arbor Day & Education Events

Aaron Prichard informed the Board about Staff's early planning efforts for Arbor Day and requested the Board's feedback on holding the event at Ting park.

Chris Deshazor noted the weirdness of planting trees on turf at Ting Park, and asked if Womble would be a better spot. Marissa Parker agreed that it would be nice to do in nature and have area to spread out. Aaron Prichard noted that the planting at Ting didn't result well previously as it ended with dead or diseased trees. Taylor Jackson noted that the trees had all been replaced. Eric Dean agreed that Womble would be a better spot. Sean Ryan noted that Staff would discuss with the Parks and Rec team to see if there was a spot at Womble and that Staff would bring proposed locations back to the Board.

Agenda Item 6: Other Business

Marissa Parker asked if everyone would get a copy of the slides and access to the land canopy analysis and tree canopy assessment.

Joanna Holder introduced herself to the Board since it was her first meeting present.

Danielle Hewetson welcomed Bridget Peters to the Board and thanked her for being there.

Sean Ryan reminded the Board about the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Tree event, noting that it would fulfill the 4th event the TAC has to hold annually.

Agenda Item 7: Next Meeting – January 8th, 2023

Agenda Item 8: Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Motion by: Danielle Hewetson

Seconded by: Chris Deshazor

Action: *The committee voted in favor of the motion. (4-0)*

Conor Ryan
TAC Clerk



Town of Holly Springs Tree Advisory Committee

Agenda Cover Sheet

Agenda Item#: 3.b.

New Business

Title: January 8, 2024 Minutes

Strategic Priority Area:

Staff Resource:

Action(s):

- Approve January 8, 2024 minutes

Explanation:

Background:

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Town of Holly Springs

Tree Advisory Committee

Minutes: January 8, 2024

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Agenda Item 1: ROLL CALL

The Tree Advisory Committee met on Monday, January 8, 2024 in Town Hall at 128 South Main Street at 6:02 P.M. Quorum was not established.

Members Present: Ginny Suever
Eric Dean

Members Absent: Kelly Oten, Chair
Marissa Parker, Vice Chair
Russell Lichtenstein

Ex-Officio

Members Present: Annie Drees, Town Council Representative
JoAnna Holder, Planning Board Representative (alternate)
Sarah Larson, Parks & Rec Advisory Committee
Bridget Peters, Junior Member

Ex-Officio

Members Absent: Susan Smith, Parks & Rec Advisory Committee

Staff Present: Aaron Prichard
Elizabeth Goodson
Sean Ryan
Conor Ryan
Andrew Snyder

Others Present:

Agenda Item 2: Agenda Adjustment

No Agenda Adjustments

Agenda Item 3: Minutes

The minutes were not voted on due to a lack of quorum.

Agenda Item 4a: Tree Pruning Event

Aaron Prichard updated the TAC on the plans for the tree pruning workshop, including the presenter Charlie Gilbert of Bartlett Tree Experts and the scheduled date of February 17, 2024.

Mr. Prichard noted that the location is yet to be finalized. Mr. Prichard asked that members of the board attend the meeting, and noted that there were to be giveaways at the event. He described how staff was considering limiting the attendance to 30 people or so. Susan Larson asked when signup would start. Mr.

Prichard noted that it was being finalized as well. Annie Drees recommended that staff reach out to HOAs. Susan Larson asked whether a partnership with HOAs would be recommended if the outreach is successful, and that her HOA would be open to it. Mr. Prichard described how the cap started with COVID, and that a lower number allows the instructor to have more interactions with the crowd.

Agenda Item 4b: Arbor Day & Creek Week

Aaron Prichard updated the TAC on the planning efforts for the Arbor Day and Creek Week events. Mr. Prichard noted that Creek Week would occur from March 16-23 and that Arbor Day would occur on March 22nd. He noted that the Town's event would be held on March 23rd, that following Saturday.

Mr. Prichard reminded the board that hosting the Arbor Day event was a critical piece of the Tree City USA certification. He described the activities that would occur, including a tree planting and giveaways such as rain gauges.

Mr. Prichard passed around some example rain gauges and noted his preference and the costs of each of the gauges. Ginny Suever asked whether the rain gauges would have the Town logo on it, and Mr. Prichard responded that they would. Annie Drees asked how much of the budget the arbor day event would take up. Mr. Prichard responded that typically not all funds are spent, and gave examples of how the Town saves money by hosing events on public property to save rent and getting the free demonstration from Bartlett, and that the primary costs were from the trees that were planted and the giveaways.

Mrs. Suever asked about budget in relation to the street tree replacement program, and Mr. Prichard noted that he would cover that later in the presentation. Elizabeth Goodson noted that the funds being discussed were different items in the budget and that funds can roll from one event to the next. Mr. Prichard recapped the boards previous action to move funds in the street tree program, and that the \$40,000 from that is in a different bucket than \$12,500 set aside for other events, \$2,500 of which is for arbor day.

Sarah Larson asked whether there were any plaques noting the trees that were planted as part of arbor day. Aaron Prichard did not believe so, and Sarah Larson and Eric Dean described the text that should go on the plaque including the species of tree planted.

Andrew Snyder asked if the Tree City USA presentation would occur at the arbor day event, and Mr. Prichard noted that he believed it may be a good idea to present that since he should know by then whether the Town had received the award.

Sarah Larson noted that she preferred the square rain gauge, Ginny Suever agreed since she believed it would be easier to clean, Eric Dean noted his preference for the round gauge, Bridget Peters agreed with Mr. Dean, JoAnna Holder noted that she would pick the round one, and Annie Drees agreed that the round one was less likely to get damaged.

Annie Drees asked about retroactively getting a couple of plaques to commemorate the trees already planted. Elizabeth Goodson noted that staff would look into doing so.

Agenda Item 4c: Street Tree Replacement Update

Aaron Prichard updated the TAC on the implementation of the Town's Street Tree Replacement Grant Program. Mr. Prichard described how \$40,000 total was initially budgeted for street tree replacement, split 75%-25% between the Town-led program and the grant program. Mr. Prichard recapped the TAC's action to move more funds to the grant program in order to fulfill more applications, that the applications closed in the fall in order to follow a preferred planting schedule, and noted that of the \$31,714.18 originally estimated for funding the program, \$24,064.57 dollars would now be needed to fund 32 applications. Mr. Prichard noted that 3 applications were overdue, 4 applications withdrew, and one was a duplicate. Mr. Prichard noted that the deadline for receipts to be filed was January 15th, and that \$15,935.43 would now be able to be used for FY24 street tree replacement.

Mr. Prichard asked the board whether they should use the ~\$16,000 for another town led program. Sarah Larson agreed that it would be a good idea.

Mr. Prichard then described the Town-led project, giving a comparison of funding over time and noting that this year 9 trees were replanted under one application, Joanna Holder asked about them using a different tree than before, and Mr. Prichard noted that the tree species had been changed.

Mr. Prichard noted that staff would continue to refine the process to make the application smoother and have more FAQs on the website. Mr. Prichard asked whether the board would like to have the updated split of the \$40,000 for the next application cycle. Annie Drees asked about putting the total number of replaced trees through the program on the website, and Mr. Prichard agreed that it would be a good idea.

Mr. Prichard described the town project for FY23, where 20 trees were replaced for \$30,000 allocated. Mr. Prichard noted that southern landscaping was good to work with. Annie Drees asked about how the trees were selected. Mr. Prichard noted a running list that the town keeps based on resident contact. Ginny Suever asked about the town planting 10 trees on only two streets, and Sean Ryan noted that the town did that during the first year. Annie drees asked about weighting the trees based on issue in order to get them prioritized, and Sarah Larson asked about using the 311 app to note the location of poor trees. Elizabeth goodson noted that the tree inventory came from a tree intern surveying the whole town, and that the list is continuously updated when new trees are added.

Mr. Prichard showed a map of the trees that were replaced, and described how the 12 Oaks subdivision dominated the program but how this year the trees were more spread out and even distributed around town. Ginny Suever noted how 12 oaks is light on trees anyways. Aaron Prichard noted that in 12 Oaks that herbicide was carried around the subdivision which harmed the trees. Ginny Suever noted how one subdivision did not have any street trees.

Agenda Item 4d: 2022 Tree City USA

Aaron Prichard recapped the requirements for the Tree City USA application, noting the December 1st deadline and describing the requirement that the Town spend at least \$2 per capita on street trees. Mr. Prichard noted that the town passed 50,000 residents to would need to spend at least \$100k on trees per year. Mr. Prichard noted how the \$2 per capita rate was calculated. Mr. Prichard noted a few highlights from the Town's 2023 application, including that 96 trees were planted over the course of the year, that the Town spent \$3.37 per capita on trees, and that volunteers had accrued 56 hours over the year. Mr. Prichard noted that three approvals were required (regional, state, and national) and that the town was waiting for national approval after receiving the other two. Mr. Prichard then noted that 50% of tree-related expenses were based in program management, which includes staff time, meeting preparation, inspections, and plan review. Mr. Prichard noted that 29% of the spending was on planting, noting a number that were planted in womble park. Mr. Prichard noted that 13% was spent on removal, which also occurred largely in womble park. Annie Drees thanked the Andrew Snyder for his help. MR. Prichard noted the last 8% of spending was on maintenance.

Agenda Item 5: Other Business

Sarah Larson went through what was going on in the parks and rec advisory committee, noting that meetings occurred on Thursdays, and the upcoming meeting was going to discuss the parks bond, and noted that the committee was focused on naming the new park, and asked if the TAC had any ideas or had anything that they wanted to take back to the parks and rec advisory committee. Aaron Prichard described the art that would be a part of the park and how he and Sean Ryan went through an art making workshop. Sarah Larson noted that there would be a public art making workshop and some ideas for tree-like art and

noted her desire for the committees to work together. Mr. Prichard extolled the interactivity of the art. Eric Dean noted how the parks and rec team was using the 311 app with trail monitors and how that system may be able to work with the tree replacement.

Mr. Prichard noted that JoAnna Holder was now the full planning board representative. Mrs. Holder did not have anything to add from her committee. Annie Drees also noted that there was nothing pertinent from Town Council, but offered her help to anyone on the TAC. Mr. Prichard asked Bridget Peters to help get volunteers from her group to work Arbor Day. JoAnna Holder asked if there was an age minimum for volunteers. Elizabeth Goodson noted that they will need to be unaccompanied volunteers. Mr. Prichard showed some images of previous Arbor Day events and described the work that would go on during the event. Bridget Peters noted that the National Honor Society she is in may be a source of help. Elizabeth Goodson noted that the tree giveaway is more likely to occur at hollyfest and noted that staff would look more into scheduling volunteers.

Agenda Item 6: Next Meeting

Mr. Prichard noted that the next meeting would occur on April 8th, 2024, and asked that in the interim members would volunteer for the upcoming events, stating that he would send a poll to gauge interest. Mr. Prichard noted that the committee should be sure to check their town email, which was echoed by Elizabeth Goodson. Annie Drees noted that once the dates and times were set, that volunteers from the committee should be given.

Agenda Item 7: Adjournment

Mr. Dean motioned to adjourn, motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:53.

Conor Ryan
TAC Clerk



Town of Holly Springs Tree Advisory Committee

Agenda Cover Sheet

Agenda Item#: 4.a.

New Business

Title: Wild About Nature

Strategic Priority Area:

Staff Resource:

Action(s):

- Receive information about Wild About Nature event and determine Tree Advisory Committee participation.

Explanation:

- Staff will discuss details of the Wild About Nature event, including the date, time, location, programming at the event, and collaboration with the Teen Recreation Advisory Council.
- Volunteers from the TAC will need to attend on behalf of the Tree Advisory Committee.

Background:

- Wild About Nature is an annual event that is coordinated by the Parks and Recreation Department and held at Sugg Farm in May.
- Wild About Nature is also one of the four annual events that is on the Tree Advisory Committee's annual Work Plan.
- The event features live animals, games and activities, food trucks, and opportunities for local organizations to educate the public on nature and conservation efforts.

Funding Source(s):

N/A

Attachment(s):

None



Town of Holly Springs Tree Advisory Committee

Agenda Cover Sheet

Agenda Item#: 4.b.

New Business

Title: Arbor Day

Strategic Priority Area:

Staff Resource:

Action(s):

- Receive update about the re-scheduled Arbor Day event.

Explanation:

- Due to expected inclement weather, the Arbor Day event was rescheduled from March 23 to April 27.
- The event will feature a tree planting and item giveaways.
- Volunteers from the Committee are asked to attend and help promote the work of the TAC.

Background:

- Arbor Day is one of the four annual events which the Tree Advisory Committee is tasked with coordinating in accordance with the approved Work Plan.
- The Arbor Day event is also a requirement from the Arbor Day Foundation in order for Holly Springs to maintain its Tree City USA status.

Funding Source(s):

N/A

Attachment(s):

None



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Agenda Item#: 4.c.

New Business

Title: Street Tree Replacement Update

Strategic Priority Area:

Staff Resource:

Action(s):

- Receive an update on the progress of the street tree replacement campaign for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
- Determine priorities for next year's tree replacement program.

Explanation:

- Almost \$27,000 of funding has been allocated this fiscal year to eligible applicants through the Street Tree Grant Program.
- The 2023-2024 grant program replaced 41 street trees around town, which is the most since the program was started.
- The remaining funds (roughly \$13,000) will be used to replace street trees at other locations around town where street trees are missing or in need of replacement.

Background:

- Town Council allocated \$40,000 in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget to the Tree Advisory Committee for the express purpose of replacing street trees.
- Any unused funds will expire at the end of June 2024 when the fiscal year ends.

Funding Source(s):

N/A

Attachment(s):

None