TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND TREE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES November 29, 2021

A regular meeting of the Town of Sullivan's Island Tree Commission was held on at 5:00 p.m. online via Zoom. All requirements of the Freedom of Information Act have been satisfied. Present were Commission members Donavan Glassburn, Milton Langley, Mark Miller, Derek Wade, and Nathaniel H. Robb Jr.

Members of the public present: No members of the public were present.

Staff members present: Joe Henderson, Director of Planning/Zoning Administrator and Jessica Gress, Licensing and Permit Technician.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Robb called the meeting to order and stated that the press and public were duly notified pursuant to State Law and a quorum of Commission Members were present. There were no known members of media present.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Robb made a motion to approve the October 25, 2021 Tree Commission Meeting Minutes. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.
- III. TREE REMOVAL REQUESTS:

<u>1908 Central Avenue</u>: Erika Muller, applicant, requested approval to remove one Category 1 eastern red cedar of 20" in diameter at breast height (DBH) with proposed mitigation plan. Request is in accordance with Zoning Ordinance, Section 21-162 B (Application for tree relocation, or removal and replacement). (PIN #529-05-00-058).

Mr. Henderson stated that the applicant requested the removal of one Category 1 eastern red cedar of 20" in diameter with a proposed mitigation plan. Mr. Henderson stated that the cedar is in healthy condition and is located in the required front setback of 25' and side setback of 15'. Mr. Henderson stated that the proposed mitigation plan included replanting three 10" live oaks. Mr. Henderson suggested that the Commission members review the location and health of the tree and the mitigation plan submitted.

Ms. Muller, applicant, presented her application to the Commission members.

After reviewing the application presented, the Commission members determined that due to the nature of the tree and proposed mitigation plan they did not feel it was appropriate to remove the cedar. The Commission members stated that it is a very old but healthy tree and see no reason for the removal.

Mr. Wade a motion to deny the application requested because 20-inch cedar should stay in its current location. Mr. Langley seconded this motion. Motion passed 4 to 1. Mr. Miller opposed.

IV. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

<u>Tree Fund expenditure at Poe Park:</u> Mr. Henderson stated that currently there is discussion about a potential pickle ball court and any other sport related uses to be installed at this location. Because of this reason it might be better for the Tree Commission to allow to the Recreation Committee to make decision for tree planting at Poe Park.

Mr. Robb suggested that Mr. Henderson and staff draw up a memo with suggestions for use of Tree Funds for tree planting in conjunction with Town projects which should be reviewed by the Commission. The Commission members agreed that there are a few other capital projects that could use Tree Funds for tree planting opportunities.

Consideration of rescheduling December 28, 2021, Tree Commission meeting to December 20, 2021: Mr. Glassburn made a motion to grant the December Meeting date change from December 28, 2021, to December 20, 2021. Mr. Wade seconded this motion. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Consideration of Tree Commission meeting dates for 2022:</u> Mr. Glassburn made a motion to approve the 2022 Tree Commission Meeting dates. Mr. Langley seconded this motion. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Election of Tree Commission Officers for 2022 (Chairman and Vice Chairman):</u> Mr. Wade made a motion to grant Chair to Mr. Robb and Vice-Chair to Mr. Langley. Mr. Glassburn seconded this motion. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

V. ADJOURN: Mr. Robb made a motion to adjourn at 5:36 p.m. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

Nathaniel H. Robb Jr., Chairman

Date

2022 TREE COMMISSION MEETINGS TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND

All meeting held in Council Chambers Town Hall, 2056 Middle Street

Tree Commission Submittal Dates:

December 31, 2021
January 28, 2022
March 4, 2022
April 1, 2022
April 29, 2022
May 27, 2022
July 1, 2022
July 29, 2022
August 26, 2022
September 30, 2022
October 28, 2022
December 2, 2022

4th Monday of every Month

5:00 p.m. Tree Commission Meetings:

January 24, 2022 February 28, 2022 March 28, 2022 April 25, 2022 May 23, 2022 June 27, 2022 July 25, 2022 August 22, 2022 September 26, 2022 October 24, 2022 November 28, 2022 *December 19, 2022

Meeting date changes:

^{*} Monday December 26, 2022 Town Hall is closed. Meeting Moved to December 19, 2022.