

*"There is not a village in America, however  
badly planned at first, or ill-built  
afterwards, that may not be redeemed, in a  
great measure, by the aid of shade trees in  
the streets ... and it is never too late  
or too early to project  
improvements of this  
kind." Andrew Jackson  
Downing (1815-1852)*

**AGENDA  
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH  
TREES AND PUBLIC GREENERY COMMITTEE  
8:00 AM – Wednesday, April 19, 2023**

1. Acceptance of Minutes of March 8, 2023 meeting. (attached)
2. Tree Removal Requests.
  - **Portsmouth Public Library**: (5) ash, city request, removal recommended by city. These trees are in poor condition (relating to EAB), and when considering the location it is appropriate to remove before a more hazardous scenario arises.
  - **379 Colonial Drive**: linden, homeowner request. Homeowner cites several observations as the basis for removal: trees are completely decayed, branches are always falling near powerlines, and roots are coming towards the foundation of their home.
  - **224 Elwyn Ave**: located on Sherburne Ave. in City ROW behind the house maple, homeowner request, removal recommended by City. This tree has several structural defects present, and a good portion of this tree failed in a recent storm.
  - **138 Bartlett St**: ash, city request, removal recommended by city. This request is related to the infrastructure improvement that will be occurring on Bartlett St.
  - **387 Lang Rd**: maple, Eversource request, removal recommended by city. There is a large cavity in the upper crown of the tree.
  - **777 Middle Rd**: multi-stem cluster near the entrance of Riverbrook as well as one ash near the large oak in the ROW. Eversource request, removal recommended by city. These trees all appear to be in fair/poor condition in a heavily wooded ROW.
  - **100 Lafayette Rd**: ash, Eversource request, removal recommended by city. The tree is in poor condition (relating to EAB).
  - **Coach Rd**: (6) birch, city request. These trees will be used for chainsaw felling instruction in a class sponsored through Primex, and will include participants from neighboring municipalities.
3. **TREE GRANT PLANTING REQUEST:**
  - **182 Edmonds Ave**: two large shade trees in front yard (*Liriodendron tulipifera*, *Ginkgo biloba*)

- **170 Aldrich Rd**: two large shade trees in front yard (*Quercus bicolor*, *Ginkgo biloba*)
4. Tree Planting for the City's 400<sup>th</sup>
  5. Portsmouth's Initial Parks presentation by Dick Adams
  5. Old Business
  6. New Business

Next Meeting Wednesday May 10, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter J. Loughlin, Chair

Attachments  
March Minutes

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**9 Kent Street - Trees and Greenery**

1 message

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**Robbi Woodburn** <robbi@woodburnandcompany.com>

Wed, Jan 25, 2023 at 2:17 PM

To: Peter Loughlin &lt;peter.loughlin@icloud.com&gt;, Peter Loughlin &lt;peter.loughlin@pjllaw.com&gt;

Cc: Tim Phoenix &lt;tphoenix@hpgrlaw.com&gt;, John Chagnon &lt;jrc@ambitengineering.com&gt;, Peter Smith &lt;peter.smith@mac.com&gt;

Good Morning Peter:

I'm working for homeowner Peter Smith at 9 Kent Street on his plans for a renovation/replacement of his existing residence with the aim to provide access to a proposed garage under the house. This will mean creating a curb cut where none currently exists. Of course, the proposed location of the curb cut is right where a new City tree has recently been planted (Sweetgum).

We're proposing to transplant and/or replace this tree (given the overall construction schedule), very close to but not at the original location and add a second tree that will replace an apple tree currently in the side yard of the property. Both replacement trees will be 2.5" caliper Sweetgum trees (*Liquidambar styraciflua*). A plan illustrating this proposal is attached.

Do you have room for us on the Feb 8 Trees and Greenery agenda to review this?

Robbi Woodburn

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**Robbi Woodburn**

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Trees/Public Greenery ( meetings held) 2022	Attended	Excused	Unexcused	Attendance %
Adams, Richard				
Bailey, Patricia				
Chag, Deborah				
Duore, A.J., Urban Forester				
Griffin, Michael				
Louahlin, Peter, Chair				
Souto, Dennis				