

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF PETALUMA, CA**  
**TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, April 18th, 2007, 3:30 pm**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM 3 - PETALUMA COMMUNITY CENTER**  
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**Members Present:** Norman\*, Sullivan, Scacalosi, Renee, Wilson,  
**Absent:** Lofroos, Noriel, Reed

**\*Chairperson**

**STAFF:** Gabe Lanusse

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 approved

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

**I. Update on General Plan (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**  
Norman reports to her knowledge all public comment is closed and that Tree specifics are now up to Planning and Council; May 7<sup>th</sup> Planning commission will make recommendations for Draft General Plan 2025 and Draft EIR. Sullivan reports that process will be months before finalized and states that the EIR will contain more specifics than the GP. She will keep us posted of any tree related items that come up in Planning Commission.

**II. Tree Ordinance (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**  
No comments at this time.

**III. Heritage Trees (Renee) (Discussion/Action)**  
Web site has been updated and updated Heritage and Landmark Tree application and guidelines are linked: city website – Park & Rec – City Parks-Community Trees. She is working on the link to the permit page.  
Article by Norman is in the Heritage Homes spring 2007 newsletter.  
Also of note, on the website there is a slide show of community trees, and scans of Walking tour brochures.

**IV. Street Tree List Review (Norman/Reed) (Discussion/Action)**  
No comments at this time. Move to Pending Future Items.\*\*

**V. Grants – Opportunities & Calendar (Wilson) (Discussion/Action)**

Wilson presented draft format of template. Members in agreement. She will continue to research grants and fill in information. Norman verifies that Prop 40 Urban Forest for Every City is still valid and that she and DeNicola will be meeting the Regional Urban Forester to discuss the grant opportunities.

**VI. Various Cities Tree Survey (TAC) (Discussion/Action)**

All collected, except Renee submitted her originals and Wilson will need to look for hers. Norman will submit full set of copies to Lanusse as requested.

**VII. Proposed Clover Project (Lofroos/Reed) (Discussion/Action)**

Lofroos is waiting to send letter until on SPARC agenda. Move to Pending Future Items.\*\*

**VIII. TAC Goals for Council Report (Norman) (Discussion/Action)**

No comments at this time.

**IX. Arbor Day Celebration (Scaccalosi) (Discussion/Action)**

Arbor Day set for this Saturday. Noriel emailed press release on 4-11. There will be two events: 7:45/8am at City Hall, planting of replacement Sweet gum tree at lawn and trees supplied to Rebuilding Petaluma project at 615 Kent. Lanusse procured proclamation and Sweet gum tree and will make sure there is a hole for planting. Norman procured Red Oak and multi trunk Crepe Myrtle and water bags for Kent Street: Trees donated by Landscapes Unlimited Wholesale Nursery.

**X. Sunnyslope Development – With existing trees (Discussion/Action)**

Lofroos, Norman and Renee wrote letters/emails as individuals regarding the pre-application review. Move to Pending Future Items.\*\*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS: none**

**LIAISON REPORTS: none**

**STAFF REPORTS: none**

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**PENDING FUTURE ITEMS: See above for items to be added (\*\*)**

1. Genetically Modified Trees – (Renee)
  2. Hansen House & Plan to Move Palm Trees
  3. Tree Brochures (Noriel) (September)
  4. Depot Palms (Noriel)
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