

“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, November 13, 2024

City Hall Conference Room A and via Zoom

To register in advance for this webinar via Zoom:

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

1. Acceptance of Minutes of September Meeting
2. Tree Removal Requests

Removal requests:

- 826 South Street: 1 red oak, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by City. This tree has a significant lean over the road, and a recent sidewalk installation has likely damaged roots. The canopy is in decline overall and there are shoots throughout, suggesting stress. My fear is the tree will fail due to its excessive lean and poor vigor.
- 151 Clinton Street (on Stark Street): 1 cherry, fair condition, resident request, removal recommended by City. This tree has declined recently due to abnormal weather in the spring. Structural issues such as cavities and rot near attachments points of major limbs exist.
- 10 McClintock Avenue (on Woodworth Avenue): 1 ash: poor condition, resident request, removal recommended by City. The tree is showing signs of EAB. I’ve observed bark blanding and exit holes in the upper crown.
- 21 Pleasant Street: 2 ash, poor condition, removal recommended by City. Both trees are showing signs of EAB. I’ve observed bark blanding, exit holes, and significant dieback.
- 2 Market Street (on Pleasant Street): 2 Norway maple, poor condition, removal recommended by City. These trees are in various states of decline. Both have declined significantly in the central portion of the crown.

3. Update on City’s ongoing tree maintenance and planting plans
4. Discussion of Heat Island study
5. Old Business

6. New Business

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter J. Loughlin, Chair

Attachments: October Minutes
Heat Island Study by Urban Forestry Intern Mariely Duran