FAIRVIEW MUNICIPAL TREE COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting, Tuesday, 07 January 2014 7:00 pm

1. Chairperson, Debby Rainey called the January 2014 meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.

<u>In attendance</u>: Debby Rainey, Chairperson; Larry Richards–Vice Chairperson; Beverly Totty, Mayor; Stuart Johnson, Vice Mayor; Jack Cannon; Mike Berkley, City Arborist; Jane Woodall, Secretary.

Absent: Planning Commission chairperson (position currently unfilled).

Guests: Wayne Hall, City Manager

- 3. Approval of Agenda: LRichards moved approve the agenda. BTotty seconded the motion. The board approved the agenda for the January 2014 meeting with none opposed.
- 4. Approval of Minutes: LRichards moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting; JCannon seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes for the October 2013 meeting with no changes; none opposed.
- 5. Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments.

Old Business:

- 6.1. Follow-up to the letter written via the Codes Department to the landowner at 2305 Fairview Blvd. pertaining to the removal of the dead trees due to the risk to public safety.

 MBerkley provided updated information and noted that a letter had been presented to the property owner; a second letter is to be generated. MBerkley also noted that limbs are falling from the trees. WHall agree to find out the status of the situation. This will remain on the agenda for the February meeting.
- 6.2. Follow-up discussion on Tree Commission member requirements: This item will be moved to the March meeting.
- 6.3. Follow-up to discussion of removal of Loblolly pines on city property:

JCannon reported that the test pilot program at Bowie Nature Center is not completed. BTotty to speak to BOC on recommendation for the test site program next Thursday night, 16 January 2014. MBerkley suggested changing the amount of acreage on the BOC letter. This will item remain on the agenda for February.

7. New Business

- 7.1. Tree Removal/Replacement Plan and Landscape Plan for Alpha Fittings As there was no representation for Alpha Fittings, this item will be tabled until further notice.
- 7.2. Update on the Tree Bank (Wayne Hall)

WHall reported that there is \$98K now in the Tree Bank from Walmart. These funds may be used for planting trees on any public property or for use in the construction of an area for planting, not including the cost of the design. For the February agenda, additional information on how the money may be used will be searched.

7.3. Election of Tree Commission Officers for 2014

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SJohnson moved to keep the current officers as is if those serving agreed to continue. BTotty seconded the motion. In discussion, all persons currently serving in positions agreed to continue in their position. The board voted to approve to retain the currently serving officers; none opposed.

8. Adjournment: With no further business, DRainey adjourned the meeting 7:49 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be 04 February 2014.