



LAND USE AND PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, June 29, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

City Hall, Council Chambers

116 First Street, Neptune Beach, FL 32266

Summary

Members In Attendance:

Councilor Josh Messinger, Chairman
Mayor Elaine Brown

Staff In Attendance:

Stefen Wynn, City Manager
Jim French, Public Works Director
Kristina Wright, Community Development
Colin Moore, Grant and Resiliency Coordinator

Chris Chin, President
Beautification Committee

Chairman Messinger called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Tree Protection and Planting Policy Update.

Ms. Wright stated she and Mr. Raiti have been working on the update. Discussion included the process for the changes, tree assessments and arborists. This will be on the next agenda.

Additional Tree Planting – Beautification Committee.

Chris Chin gave an update on the tree planting. She will be coordinating with Public Works on this project by locating underground utilities. There are between 35 and 45 potential locations for trees.

Duval Tree Mitigation Fund Tree Planting – Jarboe Park

Mr. Moore gave an update. He stated that we will be filling out the Level 2 application. He added that we did some field adjustments of the trail orientation and were able to preserve 35 extra trees. He has been working with COJ Tree Mitigation on the tree plan and other potential locations. He would come to the August meeting with the plan and proposal.

Beach Recycling, Container Improvements and Educational Signs (Better, Cheaper, Faster).

The trash cans along the beach have been buried by dunes in a lot of locations. Mr. Wynn stated that whatever is decided to have at the beach accesses should be highly visible. He would like to add this to Vice Mayor Jones' who would be discussing quicker, lighter and cheaper projects. Mayor Brown suggested checking with Beaches Go Green for options.

Public Comments

Jonathan Raiti, spoke regarding anchoring the recycling bins.

Verna Griffin, spoke regarding Jarboe Park. She stated Pickleball by the Sea has done fundraising the past for Jarboe Park and are now in the process again for windscreens. They have been playing pickleball for 13 years in the Park. She thanked the City for all they have done.

Chuck McCue, spoke regarding communications from the City and the number of pickleball courts in Jarboe Park. He questioned if the Park would be a commercial pickleball facility with competitions.

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.