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Planning and Funding Committee**

MEETING MINUTES DRAFT

**Tuesday, March 03, 2020, 4:00 p.m.
Offices of the San Francisco Planning Department
1650 Mission Street, Room 400
San Francisco, CA 94103**

Committee Members: Members Igor Lacan (Chair), Nicholas Crawford, Dan Flanagan, Andrew Sullivan and Blake Troxel.

Order of Business

Public comment will be taken before the Council takes action on any item.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

Present: Member Crawford, Member Flanagan, and Member Troxel. Excused: Chair Lacan and Member Sullivan.

2. Approval of Minutes of the February 4, 2020 Urban Forestry Council Planning and Funding Committee Meeting. (Explanatory Document: February 4, 2020 Draft Meeting Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Upon a motion by Member Troxel and a second by Member Flanagan, the minutes were approved without objection. (Aye: Member Crawford, Member Flanagan, and Member Troxel. Nay: None. Excused: Chair Lacan and Member Sullivan.)

3. General Public Comment: Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.

Georgia expressed concern about the impact full lot excavation has on trees, yards, and soil.

4. Presentation of Urban Forest Canopy Data. Speaker Mike Webster, San Francisco Planning Department (Discussion)

Mike Webster, San Francisco Planning Department, explained his work with two datasets to approximate the urban canopy. To do this, Mike used infrared orthophotography and a digital surface model.

Member Flanagan asked what the difference is between LiDAR and orthophotography.

Mike Webster explained that LiDAR uses lasers.

Mike Webster demonstrated the difference in canopy 2009 versus 2017 and discussed the varied classification of tree and scrub between the datasets. Mike discussed that Treasure Island and Yerba Buena had the greatest canopy loss.

Member Troxel discussed false negatives and false positives.

Member Flanagan discussed the realities of tree mortality and planting numbers.

Member Troxel discussed whether it was possible to do a sampling matrix to determine amount of false positives of negatives.

Mike Webster explained how the pixels are determined as tree canopy.

General discussion on data collection methods and the need for congruency in method and time of year in order to have the most comparable results.

Member Troxel discussed the street tree canopy as percentage of entire canopy.

There was no public comment.

5. Update on implementation of UFC Strategic Plan, Priority #1. Speaker Pam Nagle, Urban Forestry Council (Discussion)

Pam Nagle, Urban Forestry Council, provided updates on the UFC Strategic Plan Priority #1 related to policy recommendations regarding tree biodiversity, palette and climate change. Pam read a definition of biodiversity and discussed the team's outreach to other municipalities to create a roadmap.

UFC Member Oscar Hernandez-Gomez discussed the possibility of residential design guidelines.

Chair Flanagan discussed that this will be a contentious process.

Member Crawford discussed the small number of native tree species and the need for climate flexibility in plant palette.

6. New Business/Future Agenda Items. (Discussion and Possible Action)

Peter Brastow discussed the upcoming Landmark Tree Committee meeting, the upcoming Full Council meeting with a presentation from the City Attorney and a presentation for Friends of the Urban Forest. Future agenda items for the Full Urban Forestry Council include commendations and work on the Climate Action Strategy. Future agenda items for the Planning and Funding Committee

include updates on the new tree nursery, discussion on the format of the annual report and discussion of the eucalyptus study.

There was no public comment.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 pm.

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