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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DRAFT

**Friday, May 25, 2018, 8:30 a.m.
City Hall, Room 400
One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Jr. Place
San Francisco, CA 94102**

Council Members: Dan Flanagan (Chair), Nicholas Crawford (Vice Chair), Malcolm Hillan, Igor Lacan, Meg Lowman, Phillip Pierce, Andrew Sullivan, Michael Sullivan, Tom Carter (San Francisco Port), Sal Genito (Presidio Trust), Damon Spigelman (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission), Carla Short (Department of Public Works), Jon Swae (San Francisco Planning Department) and Zachary Taylor (San Francisco Recreation and Park Department).

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 8:35 a.m.

Present: Flanagan, Carter, Crawford, Lacan, Pierce, Short, Spigelman and Andrew Sullivan. Excused: Genito, Hillan, Lowman, Michael Sullivan, Swae and Taylor.

2. Adoption of Minutes of the March 23, 2018 Urban Forestry Council Regular Meeting. (Explanatory Document: March 23, 2018 Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Upon a motion by Member Crawford, and a second by Member Flanagan, the minutes from the March 23, 2018 Urban Forestry Council meeting were adopted without objection. (Ayes: Flanagan, Carter, Crawford, Lacan, Pierce, Short, Spigelman and Andrew Sullivan; Noes: None; Absent: Genito, Hillan, Lowman, Michael Sullivan, Swae and Taylor)

There was no public comment.

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

There was no public comment.

4. Presentation on the California Urban Forests Council. Speaker: Nancy Hughes, Executive Director, California Urban Forests Council (Discussion)

Nancy Hughes, Executive Director, California Urban Forests Council, discussed an explanation of the organization, vision, mission, seven regional urban forests councils, organizational goals, organizational strategies, communications goals, Invest From the Ground Up campaign, Circle 1.0, Circle 2.0, Circle 3.0, Santa Rosa Restoration Project, advocacy, Urban Forestry Management Plan toolkit, tree planting calculator, California tree map, customizable educational materials and infographics and funders.

Member Crawford discussed outreach materials.

There was no public comment.

5. Presentation on the City Forests Carbon Credit Program. Speaker: Mark McPherson, Executive Director, City Forest Credits (Discussion)

Mark McPherson, Executive Director, City Forest Credits, discussed the problem, Puget Sound, change in urban/community tree cover by state, triple bottom line of trees, the opportunity, the product, benefits beyond carbon, City Forest Credits, projects and programs, the demand for buyers and funders and protocols.

Member Lacan asked about the timeline for park projects.

Member Short asked about the concept of a boutique market.

There was no public comment.

6. Presentation on the current status of Phase III of the San Francisco Urban Forest Plan. Speaker: Andrew Sullivan and Jon Swae, Members, Urban Forestry Council (Discussion)

Anne Brask, San Francisco Planning Department and Andrew Sullivan, Member, Urban Forestry Council discussed the Urban Forestry Plan phases I-III, research and analysis, tree canopy, tree canopy distribution, private property, data sources and shapefile image, plan scoping, Urban Forest Plan goals, policy context, phase III draft goals, existing policy/code requirements, protections in other jurisdictions, scope, timeline and next steps.

Member Flanagan asked about policy changes to the area of a lot that can be planted on.

Member Lacan discussed research on enforcement methods in other jurisdictions.

Member Crawford discussed unintentional consequences of policies including the consequence of tree removal.

Gordon Matassa, Urban Forestry Coordinator, San Francisco Department of the Environment, discussed funding.

There was no public comment.

7. Committee Reports: (Discussion)

Planning & Funding Committee. Igor Lacan, Committee Chair.

Igor Lacan, Committee Chair, reported that the Committee discussed phase III of the Urban Forest Plan and sidewalk repair policies.

Landmark Tree Ad Hoc Committee.

There were no landmark tree nominations.

There was no public comment.

8. Staff Report. Gordon Matassa, Urban Forestry Coordinator, San Francisco Department of the Environment (Discussion)

Gordon Matassa, Urban Forestry Coordinator, San Francisco Department of the Environment, discussed the street tree species list discussed a proposal for an affiliate event for the Global Climate Action Summit.

There was no public comment.

9. Chair's Announcements. Dan Flanagan, Chair, Urban Forestry Council (Discussion)

There were no announcements.

There was no public comment.

10. Urban Forestry Council Member Announcements. (Discussion)

Member Short discussed a tree planting in honor of Mayor Lee.

There was no public comment.

11. New Business/Future Agenda Items. (Discussion)

Gordon Matassa, Urban Forestry Coordinator, San Francisco Department of the Environment, discussed future presentations about the book *Designing with Palms*, the Presidio Trust's forestry program, Geary BRT, the Better Market Project and the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission wastewater treatment plant.

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

The next meeting of the Urban Forestry Council is scheduled for Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall, Room 400, San Francisco, CA 94102.

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