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**City and County of San Francisco
Urban Forestry Council
Planning and Funding Committee**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED

**Tuesday, November 8, 2016, 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), Dan Flanagan, Andrew Sullivan and Jon Swae

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 4:07 p.m. Members Lacan, Flanagan, Sullivan and Swae were present.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the October 4, 2016 Urban Forestry Council Planning and Funding Committee Meeting.** (Explanatory Document: October 4, 2016 Meeting Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Member Flanagan moved to approve the meeting minutes and Member Sullivan seconded. The meeting minutes were approved without objection.

There was no public comment.

- 3. 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.

Chair Lacan limited public comment to two minutes.

Unidentified member of the public discussed biodiversity.

Terry Byrd discussed the use of insecticides for the Van Ness Tree Project.

Kermit Kubitz discussed the EIR process for San Francisco's Urban Forest.

Michael Balea discussed the use of pesticides in San Francisco's natural areas.

4. Presentation on the Natural Resource Management Plan. The Recreation and Park Department will present an update on the Natural Resource Management Plan. Speakers: Lisa Wayne, Natural Resources Manager, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department (Discussion)

Lisa Wayne, Natural Resources Manager, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, discussed the history of the management plan, the draft EIR in 2015, the scope of the natural areas, biodiversity within the natural areas, the value of trees and the urban forest, condition of eucalyptus, the health of biological diversity, the urban forest at Mount Davidson, tree and forestry recommendations, tree and urban forest protection, forestry management recommendations, thin tree is biologically diverse areas, impacts of eucalyptus, proposed thinning in basal areas and SNRAMP EIR assessments.

Member Flanagan asked about the tree quality assessments in the EIR and how it relates to the trees on Mount Sutro.

Member Sullivan asked about how many acres in the natural areas will be preserved, the total forest cover of San Francisco, evaluations of density and how cultural value of a forest to the community is factored into the process.

Member Flanagan asked about removals and the use of herbicides.

Member Sullivan asked about whether or not additional details will be added to the management plan, the timeline of the plan and whether or not details about funding will be added to the plan.

Member Lacan asked about the goals for the MA1 and MA2 areas, plans for tree replanting in these areas and tree removal in Mount Davidson.

Member Swae asked about examples other than Glen Canyon for areas that have transitioned from eucalyptus to natural areas, whether or not any amendments have been made to the plan since 2006 and phasing of tree removal.

Member Flanagan asked about 1 to 1 tree replacement in terms of caliber of the tree.

Public Comment:

Ron Proctor discussed the use of herbicides by the management plan.

Nadine discussed the removal of trees in San Francisco.

Michelle discussed the removal of trees in San Francisco.

Michael Balea discussed the removal of trees in San Francisco.

Unidentified speaker discussed renovations in the management plan and registering historic landmark status.

Unidentified speaker discussed access to trails in San Francisco's parks and future plans for natural areas.

Karen Briseland discussed the removal of trees in Mount Davidson.

Dee Seligman discussed statistics used by the natural areas plan and tree density in San Francisco.

Kermit Kubitz discussed the completion of the management plan and the use of herbicides.

Unidentified speaker discussed insecticide use and vendor list for the new trees being planted by the plan.

Unidentified speaker discussed various issues with the natural areas plan.

Brook discussed the use of herbicides on trails and the removal of trees by the management plan.

Jen Doland discussed forest management and the use of herbicides.

Linda Milhoun discussed the definition of native with the management plan.

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

Member Flanagan asked about items in the pipeline for December and January.

Member Swae suggested having the committee discuss the street tree list and street tree census at the December meeting.

There was no public comment.

6. 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.

Unidentified speaker discussed landmarking roads in Mount Davidson.

Unidentified speaker discussed the rules concerning public comment.

Unidentified speaker discussed Proposition E and the removal of trees in San Francisco.

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

The next Planning and Funding Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 4:00 p.m., Offices of the San Francisco Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Room 400.

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