Urban Forestry Management Plan
Urban Forestry Subcommittee Work Session
Meeting Summary
October 15, 2012 (4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.)

Subcommittee Members Present:	Glenna Borg Greg Bettis Jim Buck Richard Byers Mike Heilman, Chair Keith Warren
Council Liaison:	None
Staff Present:	Tina Osterink (Staff Liaison)
Guests:	Mark Eisenzimmer

1. Introduction and Roll Call
The Urban Forestry Subcommittee (UFS) work session was called to order at 4:35 pm, by Chair Heilman.

2. Minutes
Glenna Borg moved to approve the minutes from August 20, 2012 as presented, Richard Byers seconded the motion. The motion was approved, 6–0.

3. Chair Update
Chair Heilman asked if some members of the UFS could sit in on the staff meetings for the Tree Code Project.

5. Staff Update
Tina confirmed the date of November 16 for the annual Significant Tree Hearing. The UFS members asked her to confirm the Hearing time. Tina also confirmed that Mt. Hood Community College decided not to move forward with de-listing the Spanish Fir grove at this time. Tina also mentioned the Oct. 25 Intertwine Summit that will roll out the Regional Urban Forestry Initiative and take comment regarding ways this 2-year process can help cities within the Metro area. A few UFS members have signed up to attend the event and the group brainstormed the following ways Gresham could benefit:

- Web assistance on the education of trees
- Regional arborist or consortium of arborist cities can consult
- Regional canopy assessment
- Regional tree summit

6. Rotary Club Arboretum Planting
Mark Eisenzimmer, who is a Gresham Rotary Club member and affiliated with both Cascade Meadow Nursery and the Cascade Athletic Club, discussed the Rotary's plans to donate 40 trees to the Arboretum. The Rotary intends to donate trees for the next three years and was hoping they could do the first planting of 40 trees this December. The UFS provided the following feedback to Mr. Eisenzimmer:

- Keep the variety the same
- The size is flexible
- JFS can provide barefoot not balled and burlap trees; Hornbeams are available
- Signature Tree Alley would be a good place for the first year planting
- Fall Tree Collection would also be a good place for the first year planting
- If the Hornbeam trees from JFS are not available, then the Summer and Spring Collections would be a good place to start
- Watering the first season needs to be more often than in the following years

The UFS expressed desire for the next step in the Arboretum planning should be labeling all the trees.

7. New Business
A few UFS members asked why so many maples were removed at Main City Park to accommodate the Springwater Spur trail development. Tina will check with the planner and get back to them on the reason and the replanting plan. They suggested replanting with Hogan Cedars if possible.

The group expressed concern about the health of the Pacific Dogwood that is nominated to be added to the Significant Tree List. Chair Heilman will re-visit and provide a recommendation if this should be included in the final group of trees to take to the Hearings Officer.

The group expressed starting up the Downtown Tree Inventory next spring.

9. Next Steps: Chair Heilman adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.