CITY OF GRESHAM

URBAN FORESTRY SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

Date:	5-20-2024		
Time:	3:30 – 4:30 pm		
Place:	Virtual Zoom Meeting		
Attending:	UFS: Chair Christine Johnson, Jim Buck, Steve Stevens, Keith Warren, Vice-Chair Thea Hayes Staff: Mary Phillips, Gabby Sinagra PC Liaison: Greg Schroeder Council Liaison: Councilor Hinton Guests: none		
Absent			

Agenda Item #1 – Tree Code Update				
Discussion:	 Mary and Gabby presented the Tree Code Project history, schedule, project vision, outreach plan and the meetings focus on project priorities and goals. The Engage Gresham project website will be used for communicating with the public. Diverse outreach methods and events are planned. Equity Lens tool is being applied to this project. Tree policy peer review conducted looking at jurisdictions of Bend, Eugene, Tigard, and Portland Staff will return to UFS at each stage of the project for updates, discussion, and feedback. Discussion focused on values, principles, and goals for the updated tree code. UFS members provided comments and suggestions including preservation, required space for trees, development's projected future canopy, public education, code alternative, and code enforcement. 			
Decisions:	• N/A			
Action:	Staff will incorporate the UFS comments and recommendations into the Tree Code Project Goals and Priorities			

Agenda Item #9 - Community Observations & Other UFS Business			
Discussion:		•	
Decisions:		• N/A	
Action:		• N/A	
Next Meeting:	June 17, 2024 at 4:30 PM remotely via ZOOM		
Adjournment:	4:43 pm		