

MINUTES - ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 11.06.2014

The meeting was called to order @ 5:45 PM, Thursday, November 6, 2014, in the Council Chambers @ 21630 11th Avenue South, Des Moines with the following in attendance:

Council Members

Dave Kaplan, Chair
Melissa Musser
Vic Pennington

City Staff

Tony Piasecki, City Manager
Michael Matthias, Asst City Manager
Dan Brewer, Planning, Building & PW Director
Denise Lathrop, Com Dev Manager
Pat Bosmans, City Attorney
Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II

Citizens:

Anne Farmer
David Toppano
Heather & Charles McCullough
Bud Bohzen
S Whitier
Councilmember Burrage

AGENDA:

1. Approve minutes of 9.18.2014 meeting
2. Tree Ordinance

MEETING:

1. Approve minutes of the September 18, 2014 meeting: Unanimously passed.
2. Tree Ordinance: Denise Lathrop narrated a power point presentation of Substitute Draft Ordinance No. 14-043-A which outlined the key issues for Committee consideration: Critical Areas which include Authority to Protect and Coppicing vs. Best Management Practices; Scenic View Preservation; Potential Amendments to Substitute Draft Ordinance consisting of Council Amendment/s, Liability Waiver, Best Pruning Practices, Scenic View Preservation; and Fees. It also outlined Areas of Consensus which included cutting of trees on developed sites and increased clearing limits. A Public Hearing for this ordinance was held on October 2, 2014.

Committee agreed to move this item to the full Council for second reading on November 13, 2014.

Meeting Adjourned @ 6:35 pm
Submitted by: Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II