

Minneapolis Tree Advisory Commission (MTAC)

Thursday, December 19, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.

Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, 2117 West River Road, Minneapolis MN

Virtual by Zoom Video Call (See Below for ZOOM Link)

AGENDA

- 5:30 **MTAC December 19, 2024: MTAC Co-Chair Marrari.**
-Call to Order. Roll Call & Welcome MTAC Guests.
-Acceptance of November, 2024, MTAC Minutes by Secretary Sersland.
- 5:40 **MPRB Forestry Update: Sustainable Forestry Coordinator Philip Potyondy**
- 6:00 **City Trees Update: City Trees Sydney Schaaf**
- 6:15 **Green Cities Accord Presentation: Michaela Neu, Director of Programs & Operations**
- 6:35 **New & Future MTAC Business: MTAC Co-Chair Marrari**
 - Desires for 2025-2027 Appointment Season
- 7:00 **MTAC Adjourn: MTAC Co-Chair Marrari**

Proposed MTAC Meeting Dates in 2025 (3rd Thursday of Month)

January 16	July 17
February 20	August 21
March 20	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18

MTAC MEETING ZOOM LINK

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1. Citizen Representative – At Large: **Tim Keane***
2. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 1: **Chris Linde**
3. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 2: **Giuseppe Marrari***
4. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 3: **John Kruse**
5. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 4: **Mary Bolla**
6. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 5: **Carol Sersland**
7. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 6: **Barb Schlaefer**
8. MPRB Commissioner – District 1: **Billy Menz**
9. City Council Member or designate: **Katie Cashman** – City Council Member / Ward 7
10. Tree Care Professional member: **VACANT**
11. Minnesota Shade Tree Advisory Committee member: **Steve Nicholson**
12. City Trees Program Coordinator: **Sydney Schaaf**
13. Business / Development representative: **VACANT**
14. MPRB Director of Forestry: **Ralph Sievert**
15. City Public Works representative: **Steve Collin**
16. Mayor or designee: **Don Willeke**
17. University of Minnesota representative: **Peter MacDonagh**
18. Minneapolis Public Schools representative: **Curt Hartog**

Detailed Questions:

- Carbon Credits Update and status, MPLS Green
- How do we understand the number of trees planted in 2022 survived in 2023/4
- More discussion on what is considered native (is shagbark hickory or KY coffee tree native?)
- Specifics on the Cargill distribution status: #of property owners/trees/dollars remaining in the fund
- Details on IRA/US Forest service grant. date proposal response submitted, application process for property owners, limits on the fund distribution, 2700 is the number of trees - any estimate of the number of properties?

Parking Lot:

- How does Forestry handle
 - o Tree Pruning
 - o Tree protective wraps
 - o Soil condition changes in various areas of MPLS.
- Park board appointing an arborist available to citizens in need (unmotivated by financial gain)
- Advice/guidance on tree watering and the upcoming growing season.
- Becca Nash (becca.nash@lccmr.mn.gov), invitation to discuss trees with her (651 296-6264).
- UPDATE: Green Minneapolis Carbon Offset tree planting and funding program
- Moving the meetings to the South Side Operation Center?
- Arbor Day planning