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CFC Meeting Minutes May 11, 2022

<i>Approved on June 8, 2022</i>
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- A. **Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Mark Nakajima at 5:34 pm. A quorum was not present.

Present: Chair Mark Nakajima, Bruce Countryman, David Hunger, Councilor Kottkey

Absent: Vice Chair Michael Howell, Jeremy Sapp, Jen Warren

Staff Present: Dan Riordan

Guests Present: None

- B. **Public Comment:** None

- C. **Additions/Deletions:** None

- D. **Action Items:**

Approve meeting minutes of April 13, 2022: The meeting minutes were accepted by consensus of the members present.

Move meeting day back to the third Wednesday of the month: Discussion of moving the monthly meeting day back to the third Wednesday was deferred due to lack of a quorum.

- E. **Discussion Items**

Giant Sequoia sesquicentennial tree tag mock-up review. Dan presented a mock-up of the tree tag for placement at the Giant Sequoia locate at the corner of Pacific Avenue and B Street. The tree was planted about the time the City was incorporated in 1872. The tree includes a brief history of the tree, diameter, height and estimated amount of rain runoff absorbed annually and estimated amount of atmospheric carbon reduced annually.

Arbor month tree planting debriefing: The Commission members present discussed the Arbor Month tree planting held at Thatcher Park in April. Two trees were planted in the playground area. The Parks and Recreation Department provided support by helping with selecting a location, and digging the holes prior to the event. Chair Nakajima commented that event was successful. The Commission members

discussed dedicating one tree to former late-City Councilor Ron Thompson who was the long-time Council liaison to the Community Forestry Commission. The Commission members present agreed that more direction is needed from City Council about planting commemorative trees for other City Councilors that have passed away.

- F. **Council Liaison Report:** Councilor Kottkey update the Commission members in attendance about recent City Council business including the annual budget process. Councilor Kottkey mentioned there could be a one-time allocation of American Recovery Act funds for conducting an inventory of hazard trees. The inventory could include the Oregon white oaks in the City and all trees located in parks. Forest Glen Park was mentioned by Bruce Countryman has a high priority for assessment. Bruce also noted that the Urban Forestry Management Plan identifies safety in parks as an issue to address as well as hazard trees generally. David noted that more than a visual assessment is needed.
- G. **Commissioner Communications:** David mentioned that he shared a photo of the Arbor month tree planting on the American Society of Consulting Arborists' Facebook page.
- H. **Announce next meeting and adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm. The next meeting will be on June 8th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Riordan, Senior Planner
Staff Liaison to the CFC