Freight Advisory Board
Urban Forest Management Plan Update Listening Session
10/16/18

Staff present:

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1. Background presentation
2. Questions on process / timeline for plan update
   a. How does the City deal with diseased trees?
   b. Does the City have any concerns about trees being impacted by pollution from motor vehicles?
   c. Does the City focus on planting native trees?
3. What is the most critical challenge or issue that you believe this update needs to address?
   a. Visibility along streets
      i. Visibility = safety
      ii. Types of trees that are planted impacts visibility
          1. Request for columnar trees where there are large vehicles
   b. Canopy covering signs
4. What specific actions do you believe this plan needs to include?
   a. Leaf removal for bike safety
      i. Any proposals to close streets for sweeping?
      ii. Any night sweeping proposals?
      iii. City is testing smaller sweepers for bike lanes
   b. Port of Seattle / Geri Poor would be happy to connect with the City around joint maintenance issues
   c. Analysis of setbacks on tree planting to increase visibility at freight corridor intersections
      i. Emphasis on sightlines
      ii. Think of turning radius
      iii. Trees in the middle of roundabouts create sight / visibility safety issues
5. Board would like to see draft plan when it is available