Urban Forestry Commission/IDT Annual Meeting Meeting Notes

Wednesday, November 8 12:00 noon - 4:30 p.m. Camp Long

Attendees

<u>Urban Forestry Commission:</u> Craig Johnson, Joanna Nelson de Flores, Megan Herzog, Sarah Rehder, Steve Zemke, Tom Early, and Weston Brinkley

<u>Urban Forest Interdepartmental Team</u>: Art Pederson, Ben Roberts, Darren Morgan, David Bayard, David, Mutchler, Deb Brown McGarry, Deb Heiden, Heidi Narte, Jana Dilley, Josh Meidav, Lou Stubecki, Maggie Glowacki, Nolan Rundquist, Patti Bakker, Sandra Pinto de Bader, Sherry Graham, Stephen Socie,

Facilitator

Andrea Petzel

Members of the Public

Michael Oxman

Meeting Notes

- 1. Welcome, Agenda Overview, Introductions
- 2. Review Meeting Goals:
 - 1. Strengthen the partnership between the Urban Forestry Commission and the Urban Forest Interdepartmental Team in order to accomplish the goals of the Urban Forest Stewardship Plan (UFSP).
 - 2. Work together to seed thoughts, set expectations, strategize, and build momentum for updating the UFSP.
- 3. Presentation Linden Lampman:
 - Urban + Community Forestry Manager with Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR).
 - A complete handout of Linden's presentation is attached to these notes.
 - For more information contact: <u>Linden.Lampman@wa.dnr.gov</u> or (360) 902-1703 or visit: http://www.dnr.wa.gov/urbanforestry
- 4. Feedback on Proposed Plan Structure, Values, and Goals
 - Prior to the annual meeting, attendees were sent a link to an online survey to answer a series of questions related to the current UFSP. During a facilitated conversation, meeting participants provided further feedback on the questions asked. A compilation of survey answers is included with these meeting notes.
 - Are the plan elements still relevant?
 - o Include outcomes, or information on the effect of actions.
 - Where do we evaluate impacts of this plan, specifically the impact of development?

- o Breakout the timeline by near, mid, and long-term.
- o In the plan, identify who is responsible for an objective.
- Is the current UFSP vision still relevant?
 - o Too wordy, needs better construct
 - o Make it easier to understand for people not involved so heavily in urban forestry issues.
 - Write it for the collective
 - o Involve the community for crafting the vision.
 - o Do we want to frame it as community as the co-manager?
 - o Do we write a plan with clearly defined roles and responsibilities?
- Are the current UFSP goals still the most important?
 - o The first three are measurable but the 4th really isn't.
 - o Needs to have community health indicator.
 - o Maintenance is missing and needs to be specifically stated.
 - o 2037 is too far a time horizon shorten to 2025.
 - o Think about the composition of the urban forest native species.
 - o Link a healthy urban forest and a healthy watershed.
 - o Include habitat, flyways, the goals are too human-centered.
 - o Function of the forest should be included.
 - o Take the things that are manageable (actionable) and separate them from the benefits.
 - o Equity and the equitable distribution of the resources.
- What about the stewardship element of the goals?
 - o Hard to measure.
 - o Maybe buy-in from stakeholders is an offshoot of stewardship.
 - o It should be included.
 - o Perhaps it's a measurement of the effectiveness of the plan itself.
 - o Canopy cover versus canopy volume should be more defined, or changed to include maintain canopy volume.

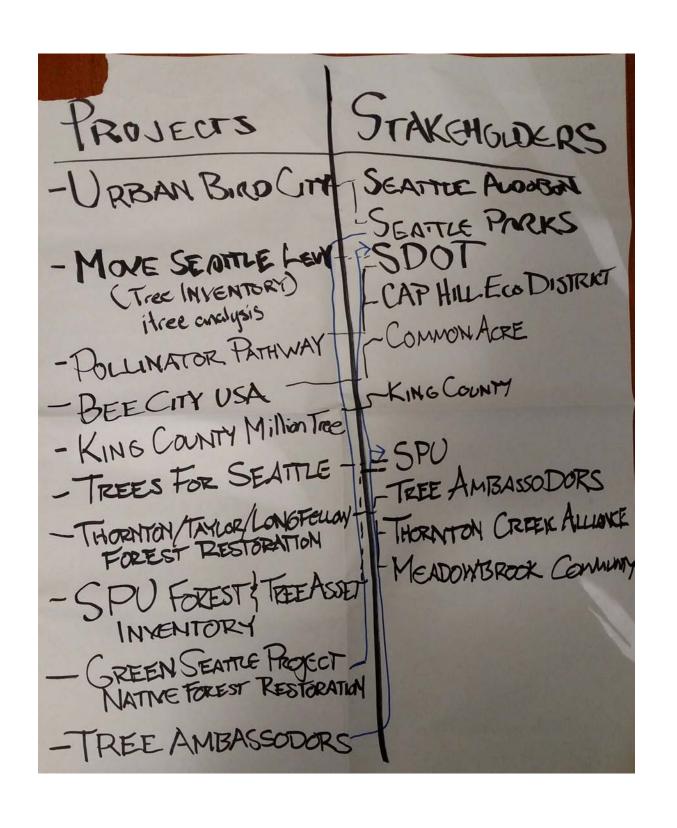
4. Break out exercises

The group broke into four small working group sessions to brainstorm two topics that will help lay the groundwork for the UFSP plan.

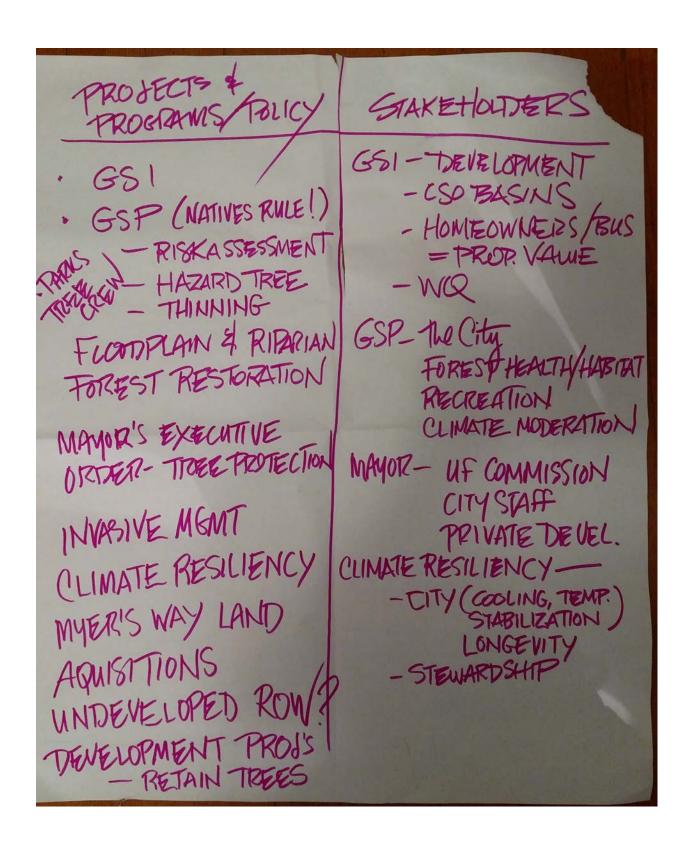
- What projects/policies/actions happening now impact the urban forest, and who are the associated stakeholders.
- Using the stakeholders you identified, map them to the best of your abilities according to the relative power and interest they have in urban forest issues.
- Additional stakeholders the group identified:
 - Elected officials
 - o Commissions
 - City departments
 - Non-profit organizations (Seattle Audubon, Thornton Creek Alliance, Forterra, etc.)
 - o Community organizations

- o Community members
- o Tribes
- o Property owners
- o Renters
- o Tree advocates
- o Open space advocates
- o Volunteers
- o Industrial businesses, freight
- o Developers
- o Regional governments
- o State government
- o Federal government
- o Businesses and business owners
- o People experiencing homelessness
- o Institutions
- o Port of Seattle
- o Tree service providers
- o Tourists
- o Landscape architects
- o School district/teachers
- o CSO basins

Break-out Session 1 Notes:



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Illegal Cutting	publicants, Parks, SDOT

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