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*100 W. Rock St, Suite 246
Fayetteville, AR 72701*

Urban Forestry Advisory Board Agenda

**Rock St. Meeting Room / Virtual Meeting Via Zoom
Wednesday, March 4, 2026
4:00 PM**

Members

Land Development Rep. Devin Spears (Exp: 12/27)
University of Arkansas Rep. Caroline Wahlgreen (Exp: 12/27)
Tree Service Rep. Joseph Fox (Exp: 12/26)
Resident at Large Rep. Carlo Bertani (Exp: 12/27)
Resident at Large Rep. Joe Donahue (Exp: 12/26)
Resident at Large Rep. Kate Shirley (Exp: 12/26)
Resident at Large Rep. Taz Zinck (Exp: 12/26)

City Staff

Urban Forester John Scott
Urban Forester Willa Thomason
Urban Forester Bethany Douglas

Zoom Information

Webinar ID: 811 2231 9345

Registration Link: https://fayetteville-ar.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ph0cKeVWQjKydFQuq_fhfg

Call to Order

Roll Call

Minutes

Approval of the February 4, Urban Forestry Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.

Reports and Presentations

We need to assign reports for the next several months.

April

May

June

July

February Development Review

A brief overview of the projects requiring urban forestry review that will be seen at the upcoming Planning Commission meetings.

Unfinished Business

Planting Project 2026 Updates

- **Park Meadows** – Plans are complete, sent to our subcontractor, and scheduled for installation.
- **Sang Detention Pond** – Plans are currently being drafted.
- **Cottages at Old Wire** – Meeting with the POA prior to installation.
- **Ozark Chinquapin Pilot** – Coordinating with Tas to organize and launch this project.
- **Sloanbrook on Broyles** – Scheduled as a fall project.
- **Covington Street Trees** – Plans drafted; resident notification letter prepared.

- Possible new project with adding street trees on Bunting Street in Creekside Meadows.

Bylaws Update -

Events and Outreach

Tree Trimming at Sloanbrook concludes on March 7th. From 9-11
Hiking with the Forester, April 4th at Lake Fayetteville
Fayetteville Community Forester Class — Invasive Plants — March 10th and 14th
Earth Week - Details
Amazing Trees is happening as well, and voting has started.
Invasive Plant Removal at Clabber Creek on March 21st.

Invasive Bounty

Judging Panel & Criteria

The judges will include UFAB members, and I'll also invite Fayetteville Community Forester graduates to participate.

Photos will be judged on a **10-point scale** in the following categories:

- 1. Biggest Site Impact / Improvement**
 - How dramatic is the change from before to after?
 - Did they remove a significant amount of invasive plants?
- 2. Creativity**
 - Participants can have fun with this! Meme-style photos, humorous captions, or artistic approaches are all welcome.
 - For example: "Kristina! Bring me my axe!" followed by a playful scene of someone chopping down a shrub, then enjoying a mimosa in the cleared area.
 - Photoshop, props, and storytelling are allowed—let's see what our creative community comes up with!
- 3. Photo Quality**
 - Is the image clear and well-composed?
- 4. Effort**
 - Does the photo reflect significant time and work invested in the removal process?

I like keeping the guidelines a little open-ended to encourage creativity. Fayetteville is full of imaginative people, and it'll be exciting to see what they

produce!

Prizes:

- **Best overall before-and-after photo:** Bird feeder with camera plus an extra tree or shrub
- **Runner-ups (4):**
 - Book: *Trees, Shrubs, and Woody Vines of Arkansas* by local authors Jennifer Ogle, Theo Witsell, and Johnnie Gentry plus an extra tree or shrub
 - Birdhouse plus an extra tree or shrub

New Business

Announcements

Adjournment

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Urban Forestry Advisory Board meetings may be attended in-person or virtually. Community members have the opportunity to address the board at a designated time during the meeting.

Citizens may propose items to be included in the board's agenda. To submit an item for consideration, e-mail the [Urban Forestry Advisory Board team](#) at least one week prior to the meeting.

As a courtesy, please turn off all cell phones and pagers.