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MINUTES

November 1, 2023 11:00 am
Landscape Review Committee ZOOM Meeting
Special Meeting McMinnville, Oregon

Members Present: Patty Sorensen, Jamie Fleckenstein, John Hall, and Jessica Payne -

Council Liaison

Members Absent: Carlton Davidson and Brain Wicks

Staff Present: Tom Schauer – Senior Planner and Adam Tate – Associate Planner

Guests Present:

1. Call to Order

Chair Fleckenstein called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

None

3. Citizen Comments

None

4. Action Item

A. L 45-23: Tree removal application from Zach Goodman, 2449 NW Alice Kelley Ct. Tax Lot R4417-BA-04000

Associate Planner Tate reviewed the tree removal application for a Maple tree on Alice Kelley Court. It had been planted too close to the sidewalk and community mailboxes. It was actively uplifting the sidewalk. Staff recommended approval and planting a replacement tree further down.

There was discussion regarding replacing the tree with a smaller tree and not replanting with the type of tree the neighbors just had to recently cut down.

Committee Member Sorensen moved to approve L 45-23 with conditions and the replacement tree would not be a Linden tree. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Hall and passed 3-0.

5. Committee Member Comments

Committee Member Sorensen asked about the LRC looking at applications that went to the Planning Commission.

There was discussion regarding the current process and how staff reviewed applications to make sure they met the code, bringing applications to the LRC for comments, modifying the street tree list if a tree was not being successful, addressing street trees whose branches grew to the side instead of straight up, status of code changes to allow staff to approve tree removals, and what to do with the Redwood tree on Fleishauer Lane that had damaged the street.

6. Staff Comments

Senior Planner Schauer discussed upcoming applications.

7. Adjournment

Chair Fleckenstein adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m.