



Folly Beach Planning Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2021

7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

Commission Members: Greg Anderson; Kirk Grant; LaJuan Kennedy; Ryan Buck; Michael Norton; Laura Pace; Kate Pratt, Paula Stubblefield; Randy Carter

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1: Call to Order; Roll Call

Present: Greg Anderson; Kirk Grant; LaJuan Kennedy; Ryan Buck; Michael Norton; Laura Pace; Paula Stubblefield

Absent: Kate Pratt, Randy Carter

2: Freedom of Information Statement

3: Approval of Previous Minutes – August 2, 2021

Motion was made by Mr. Grant and seconded by Mr. Anderson for approval of the August minutes. There was no discussion or correction and the motion passed. Minutes were approved.

4. Personal Appearances - None

5. Citizen Comments

Mr. McFarland (1780 Chadwick Circle) spoke to the Planning Commission about Save Folly's Future, short term rentals and possible regulations going forward.

6. Unfinished Business – None.

7. New Business

a) **ORDINANCE 029-21:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 162 (Administration) Section 162.03-10 (Tree Alteration Permit) And Chapter 166 (Development Standards) Section 166.01 (Tree Protection) to Clarify Application Requirements for Tree Alteration Permits and Implement Mitigation Standards for Nonprotected Trees To Increase Stormwater Capacity of The City of Folly Beach.

There was discussion by the Planning Commission on:

- Fee in lieu of mitigation and what fees should be included when averaging quotes.
- Which trees should be protected and for what reasons.
- Who is qualified to submit a letter certifying tree health, etc.
- What replacement trees should be for nonprotected trees.
- Tree protection during construction.

Planning Commission recommends five amendments to the Ordinance with a motion made by Kirk and seconded by Grant, all voted unanimously to recommend to Council.

1. Motion made by Laura and seconded by Paula. 162.03-10 (D) (2) to read “Any application for the removal of a tree that is severely diseased, high risk, dying, or hazardous must be accompanied by a **supporting** letter from an **ISA arborist or landscape architect** certified in the State of South Carolina.”
 2. Motion made by Laura and seconded by Paula. 166.01-03 (C) (1) to read “A protected tree is certified by an **ISA certified** arborist or ~~other qualified professional~~ **SC registered landscape architect...**”
 3. Motion made by Laura and seconded by Paula. 166.01-03 (E) (3) to read “...the average of three written quotes for cost of replacement trees **including labor, installation and delivery...**”
 4. Motion made by Laura and seconded by Kirk. 166.01-03 (E) (2) to read “Replacement of non protected trees shall be from trees listed in Table 166.02 **or as determined by City Staff.**”
 5. Motion made by Kirk and seconded by Laura. 166.01-04 (A) to read “Protective barricades required. **Approved** protective ~~including silt fencing~~ shall be placed around all protected trees and grand trees...”
8. Staff Comments – Staff gave an update on ped paths.
 9. Commission Comments – none.
 10. Adjournment – 8:04pm