

Lancaster City Shade Tree Commission  
 MINUTES – April 19, 2016  
 City Hall, Commission Room - 120 N. Duke St.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting were approved.

Old Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	ACTION
42-15	321 W Chestnut St.	Remove Sycamore for construction of new accessible entrance	Tabled for additional information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering drawings of the proposed addition showing how it will impact the tree</li> <li>• A letter from the Church's insurer stating the reasons it will no longer insure trees.</li> <li>• A letter from an expert that the gas line is a risk of being ruptured by the tree</li> <li>• A letter from a certified arborist attesting that the tree is a hazard.</li> </ul>

New Business:

ITEM	ADDRESS	REQUEST	RECOMMENDED ACTION*
14-16	134 W Walnut.	Remove Sycamore because it costs a lot to maintain and fix damage and not appropriate for historic block	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species suitable for under power lines and location.
15-16	741 E Madison St.	Remove Cherry Tree because it keeps pulling up sidewalk.	Denied. Recommend that sidewalk contractor determine cause of sidewalk problems.
16-16	27 N Charlotte St.	Remove Bradford Pear because it gets hit by trucks, is pushing up sidewalk and hanging on power lines.	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species suitable for under power lines and location.
17-16	241 W Chestnut St.	Remove Linden because lifting sidewalk and tree in poor health	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species suitable for location, repair sidewalk and enlarge tree well.
18-16	836 E Madison St.	Remove Scholar tree because lifting sidewalk.	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species suitable for small tree lawn, repair sidewalk prior to planting.
19-16	445 N. Queen St.	Remove Sweetgum tree due to sewer, sidewalk and roof damage and hazardous conditions.	Approved. Arborist will advise on replacement species.

Discussion Items:

1. Arborist Report

- 930 E. Walnut St. tree has not been removed to date
- 517 W. Frederick St. tree has been removed and new utility pole installed
- 211 Fairview Ave. tree has not been removed to date

2. Update on Lancaster Tree Volunteer Group (Lancaster Tree Tenders).

- Next planting is scheduled for May 7 in the Southwest

3. Update on Street Ash tree removal.

- One bid received and will be awarded

4. Shade Tree Commission Annual Report

- Douglas and Jim will coordinate pulling together statistics for the past years plantings and removals

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Next meeting May 17, 2016, 7:30 PM