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**City of Bristol - Tree Hearing
Meeting Minutes December 17, 2025**

1. Call to Order

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Tree Warden called the meeting to order.

2. Presentation of Request to Remove Tree – 277 West St

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Tree Warden stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the tree located at 277 West Street. A memo from Craig Kasparian, Superintendent of Streets, on December 10, 2025 was read into the record regarding the condition of the tree.

3. Information on Health of Tree – 277 West St

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E. Director of Public Works, stated that included within the packet is a site location map and the property, which is referenced as 277 West Street, but it should be noted that the tree itself is located along Jacob Street west of the property driveway apron entering 277 West Street. There is a picture contained within the packet of the tree in question that indicated the canopy is deteriorated. He stated the purpose of today's hearing is to hear testimony, a decision is not made at the hearing. This was the presentation of the reasons to cut the tree and information of the health of the tree, along with mitigation measures.

4. Tree Removal Mitigation Measures/Tree Planting Plan – 277 West St

5. Public Participation

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Tree Warden, asked, is there anyone here to speak on the matter as to why the tree should be saved or in agreement with the city assessment.

Jacqueline Tomasiello, Steele Road, stated that she appreciated we are replacing it, and noticed that it looked a little worse for the wear, and stated that if it's dangerous then replace it. She also asked if there would be a bus shelter there.

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Tree Warden, stated that are no plans to install a bus shelter at this point. He stated that the tree would be a zelkova tree that is typically planted on our streetscape projects and is similar to those planted on North Main Street.

Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Tree Warden, stated that generally trees are not planted in pole borders that are small, but this location is a wide pole border so it is an opportunity to plant the tree. The city in general doesn't want to remove trees it is just really the condition of the tree. A decision will be made within 10 days regarding this hearing.

6. Adjournment

Adjournment at 5:07 p.m.

PER ORDER

Raymond A Rogozinski, P.E.
Director of Public Works
City Tree Warden