

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE-TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES -REGULAR MEETING

Date: August 20, 2025

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Conference room A, East Providence City Hall
145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914

Agenda:

1. Call to Order: 7:15 pm
2. Roll Call: Present: Carol Auer (chair), Jenn Tierney (co-chair), Joe Gibson, Elska Alario (Tree Intern), Dominic Leonardo (Planning Department), Molly Ahern (Planning Department). Absent with notification: Meg Robinson, Elizabeth Kinder, Anna Sousa. Absent without notification: City Tree Warden
3. Approval of Minutes: Tabled to the October meeting.
4. Public Comment: no public comment
5. New Business:
 - A. Three high school students completed their summer internships under the direction of Molly Ahern and the Parks Department. Each of the Tree Interns did a special research project related to urban forestry. Ms. Elska Alario presented her research on the Emerald Ash Borer and its effects on the East Providence urban forest. Commission members congratulated her on an excellent project and presentation. The group expressed strong support for the Tree Intern program funded by the federal grant.
6. Liaison Report from the Conservation Commission: Tabled to the October meeting.
7. Liaison Report from City Staff: Tabled to the October meeting.
8. Adjournment. 8:30