

Nyack Tree Committee Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2022

Attending: Kathleen Johnson, Phil Berg, Marcy Denker, Steve Cea, Jennifer Pfeiffer, Ric Plaisance

2022 Tree Planting

Nice Pak is collaborating with American Forests on a tree planting initiative in our area. They have identified Nyack's downtown as having low canopy cover, and given that the Nyack Tree Project is well-established, they are interested in providing funding and volunteers. They are offering \$18-\$24k. Looking to plant this Spring with volunteers (employees with basic skills.) Would like to use balled and burlapped trees so they don't have to worry about the scheduling uncertainty with bareroot.

Next step: present to them what we can do at a meeting in February.

We would like to include areas where a bigger tree is better and locations that need sidewalk work—Business District and North Broadway north of 5th. This would mean work that would be done by a contractor or DPW. Catherine St. Lot would be a nice project. We have three stretches on residential streets that would work well for volunteers.

Schichtel's Order—TBD after meeting about the NicePak project early February.

Supplies

Kathleen confirmed with Lise that TC can order supplies (through Ann Marie) with a \$300 budget. She identified a good wrap to protect tree trunks from deer rubbing.

Website - Ann Marie has offered to help. We need to schedule work to upgrade.

Route 59 gateway. Kathleen to email the landscape architect at DOT to get the application for projects for reference.

NEXT MEETING Commenting on Open Site Plan Applications