



**City of Pass Christian Tree Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2025**

Board Members Present: Terry Gibson, Avra O'Dwyer, Melinda Taylor, Lolita Welch, Brandi Viator, Mariah Furtze

Board Members Absent: Chris Daniels (alternate)

Staff Members Present:

Melodie Hayes, City Planner

Brad Manus, Beautification Director & City Arborist

Audience Present: Jeremy Herring

1. Call To Order

Board Chairman Terry Gibson at 10:04 a.m.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

A quorum was determined with the above-mentioned board members present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Chairman Terry Gibson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Agenda

Board Member O'Dwyer made a motion to approve the agenda for November 20, 2025. Board Member Taylor seconded the motion.

All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Minutes Approval

Board Member Taylor made a motion to approve minutes from September 18, 2025 meeting; Board Member Furze seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Applications

a. Consideration to approve removal of one Live Oak tree and pruning of three other Live Oak trees with one tree to be replaced at the property located at 1012 W. Beach Blvd. Rick Loth, Owner; Taylor Trees, Applicant.

City Planner Melodie Hayes reviewed the application.

Jerney Herring of Taylor Trees was invited to the podium to speak regarding the application.

After a brief discussion regarding the application, Board Member Taylor made a motion to approve the application for removal of one Live Oak tree, pruning three other trees and amended the application to replace tree trees rather than one from the original application submittal. Board Member Viator seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussions

a. Welcomed new board members Mariah Furze and Brandi Viator. Chris Daniels is named as an alternate to accommodate his schedule.

b. City staff reviewed board member responsibilities, duties and expectations for attendance for the Tree Board.

c. Tree replacement fees, amounts, styles, widths were discussed to add in with potential ordinance revisions

d. Ordinance revisions need to be given to staff in January for staff and the city attorney to work through to the Board of aldermen for consideration of revisions.

8. Adjournment

Board Member Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Member O'Dwyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 A.M.

Passed and approved on the 15th Day of January 2026.

Melodie Hayes

City Planner

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