

Urban Forestry Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting
June 10, 2026

1. Call to Order of the Urban Forestry Commission

Chairperson Lugene Jones called the regular meeting of the Urban Forestry Commission to order at 4:30 PM, Wednesday, June 10, 2026, in Main Street Conference Room B at the City Hall (22 E Main St) in Edmond, Oklahoma. The agenda for this meeting was posted in the City Hall Breezeway, June 04, 2026 at 4:47 p.m.

Members Present: Chair Lugene Jones, Vice Chair Kurt Atkinson, Ed Cunliff, Dena Bleeker, Stefanie Harris, Justin Scott, Andrea Sampley, Mac Kiggins, and Esen Yildirim, Youth Member.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Leigh Martin, Ken Bryan, and Raziel Polach.

2. Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Dena Bleeker, seconded by Ed Cunliff to approve meeting minutes from May 13, 2026.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Introduction of Guests.

John Harkess and Mike Scharrer, Edmond Citizens

4. Urban Forestry Progress Report.

Leigh Martin discussed updates to the activity report template and gave an overview of information in the Urban Forestry Activity Reports from May 2026 and updated the commission on Amanda Thomas transferring into the Urban Forestry Department from Parks and Recreation Department.

5. Presentation of Progress on the Edmond ReLeaf Grant by Raziel Polach, Urban Forestry Project Coordinator.

Raziel Polach gave an update and went over some of the projects the ReLeaf Grant have promoted and completed to help the community in the ReLeaf Grant area.

6. Consideration of Approval of Alternately Qualified Professional Renewal Application.

Kara Dee Mitchell, Studio Concepts, LLC.

Motion by Ed Cunliff, seconded by Stefanie Harris to approve.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion of the Community Forestry Plan.

This was an introduction to this topic for the future. Vice-Chair Kurt Atkinson asked that the members start to think about what opportunities Urban Forestry can add or remove from their goals during the upcoming July meeting.

8. Citizen Comments.

None.

9. Comments from the Urban Forestry Commission Chair and Members.

Chair Lugene Jones thanked Leigh, the Urban Forestry team, and fellow commissioners for all of their participation and hard work this fiscal year.

10. Adjournment.

Motion made by Ed Cunliff, seconded by Dena Bleeker to adjourn the Urban Forestry Commission meeting at 5:08 PM.

Motion passed unanimously.



Eugene Jones

Chair, Urban Forestry Commission



Kurt Atkinson

Vice Chair, Urban Forestry Commission