

CITY OF SILVERTON

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND TREE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Shops 830 McClaine St.

February 20, 2024

I. OPENING CEREMONIES - Call to Order & Roll Call

Present	Absent	
X		Eric Hammond
X		Heather Desmarteau-Fast
X		Susan Carter
X		Elyce Hues
	X	Ronald Thompson
X		Lori McLaughlin
X		Travis Sperle, Ex Officio Member, City of Silverton
X		Travis Comfort, Ex Officio Member, Republic Services

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Cory Misley, Public Works Director Travis Sperle, and Community Development Director Jason Gottgetreu.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member McLaughlin motioned to approve minutes from October 17, 2023, meeting as presented. Member Carter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comments.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION

V. COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 - Water Quality Report- January 2024 Water Quality Report will be sent out by email to committee members and the February report will be provided at the next meeting. Public Works Director Travis Sperle, stated on February 26, 2024, there will be an update on the Silverton Municipal Code Section 13.52 and 13.02 – Restricted Discharges and Pretreatment code amendments to bring them into compliance with the state requirements requested by DEQ.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Travis Comfort Republic Services Representative shared with the committee that he will be presenting the Company Annual Report on services, revenue, etc. to City Council on March 4, 2024. Travis Comfort would like to present the Recycle Motorization Act and gather feedback from the EMC on depot development after presenting the Recycle Motorization Act. The Silverton needs assessment submitted in 2023 suggested The City of Silverton potential to receive funding, education, and public

outreach for depot development with the assistance of a Producer Responsible Organization.

City Manager Cory Misley mentioned Republic Services request prior 2023 to increase rates and would like to revisit at an upcoming City Council meeting. City Manager Cory Misley relayed he would like to have a meet and greet between the City Council and local franchise partners to build relationships.

Member Hues asked about the Producer Responsible Organizations cost and, or consumer cost. Travis Comfort gave a brief overview of the fees and will go into detail at a future meeting.

5.2 - Community Development Director Jason Gottgetreu presented a PowerPoint presentation on section 3.6.150 of the tree code Tree Preservation. Community Development director Jason Gottgetreu discussed tree preservation and retention standards through the development process, significant tree criteria, tree protection/preservation plan, canopy coverage standards, mitigation options, fees, and tree variance.

City Manager Cory Misley shared with the committee one of the City Council goals is to create the first Urban Forest Management Plan for the City. City Manager Cory Misley feels that the Urban Forest Management Plan and Comprehensive Plan will help provide guidance to the EMC to engage with the community and share committee goals. City Manager Cory Misley proposed to work with the legal land use council to receive recommendations for guidance to move forward with adopting code amendments.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Member adjourned meeting at 7: 00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

/s/ Melinda Orozco, Public Works Administrative Assistant