## Draft Seattle Urban Forestry Commission 2018 Work Plan (Adopted on 3/7/18)

## **2018 Priority Actions:**

- 1. Internal engagement of City Departments on UFSP update
- 2. SDCI Tree Protection Ordinance
- 3. Provide input to Tree Protection Executive Order implementation
- 4. Advising on City Decisions that impact the 30% canopy cover goal
- 5. Increase outreach and engagement

	Topic Area / Action	UFC Lead Responsible	Parties Involved	Start Date	UFC Agenda Date	Key Outcome /Deliverable	
I.	Urban Forest Stewardship Plan						
1.	Participate in and support work to advance plan implementation						
a)	Work with City Departments to update the UFSP	Weston/PdB	UF IDT, OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing input	
b)	Urge City to engage diverse communities on 2018 UFSP update	Tom/PdB	UF IDT, OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Recommendation	
II.	Tree-related City Regulations/Policies						
1.	Advise the City on its urban forestry policies						
a)	Seattle Parks & Rec tree and view policies including: - Supplemental Use Guidelines for Natural Areas/Greenbelts - Cheasty Greenspace Mountain Bike Trail Pilot	Joanna/Sarah	Parks	Ongoing	Ongoing	Monitor	
b)	Explore opportunities for tree planting in industrial areas: Port of Seattle, Freight Advisory Board; SDOT	Tom/Craig	Port of Seattle	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship	
c)	Follow up on recommendation for increased coordination between SDOT and SCL on tree maintenance and pruning cycles.	Tom	UF IDT	Ongoing	Ongoing	TBD	
2.4	2.Advise SDCI on Tree Regulations update						
a)	Track the proposed regulatory changes process	Tom/Steve	SDCI/OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Recommendation	
b)	Develop UFC principles and priorities for future, revised tree ordinance	Steve/Tom	SDCI/OPCD/ OSE	October	November	Position Paper	
c)	Discuss with Council representative encouraging allocation of staff time and start of a new private parcel tree ordinance	Andrew	SDCI/OPCD/ OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Recommendation	
d)	Develop recommendations for revising Director's rules relevant to clarify the interpretation of the tree protection ordinance (Driven by SDCI's ordinance timeline)	Tom/Andrew/ Sarah	UF IDT, SDCI/OPCD, OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Recommendation	
e)	Formalize recommendations for code enforcement of existing SDCI tree ordinance	Weston/Steve	SDCI/OPCD	Ongoing	Ongoing	Recommendation	

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III.	Outreach and Engagement					
1.	City Council and Mayor's Office interaction					
a)	Present 2017 Annual Report and 2018 work plan to Council and Mayor	Weston/PdB	CC, OSE	Q1	Q1	Presentation
b)	Hold quarterly meetings with Council and Mayor's Office	Weston/Joanna	CC, OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Build relationships
c)	Plan urban forestry outreach and engagement and attend events such as Arbor Day, Green Seattle Day, and Trees for Seattle events	Joanna/Sandra	UF IDT	Ongoing	Ongoing	Presentation, Activity, Participation
2.	Internal Engagement					
a)	Develop annual calendar for invited speakers, guests, topics, and tours (particularly invite industrial groups, SSD, WSDOT to visit with UFC)	Weston/All	UF IDT	January	Ongoing	Discussion
b)	Introduce the UFC at commission meetings (Planning, Pedestrian, Bike, Parks, MPD Oversight Committee); Neighborhood Council meetings; and public meetings	Weston/Sandra/ UFC	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	UFC promotion and coordination
c)	Align UF IDT and UFC's work plan - Hold annual joint UFC/IDT meeting - Attend an IDT meeting	Weston/Andrew	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Coordination
3.	Engagement with Community Organizations and Urban Forestry Partners	5				
	Seattle School District. Explore ways to view trees as learning opportunity (vs. liability)	Tom/Weston/ Andrew	SSD, DON, OSE, Assoc's	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	b) Washington State Urban and Community Forestry Commission	Weston	TBD	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	c) UW and community colleges with horticulture programs and landscape architecture.	Megan	TBD	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	d) WA State Department of Transportation	Craig	SDOT, Parks	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	e) Washington State DNR	PdB	DNR	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	f) Sound Transit – project tree removal	Sandra W	ST	2018	2018	Recommendation
	g) Tilth Alliance	Weston	TBD	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	h) Seattle Green Ways	PdB	SDOT	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	i) KCD iTree	PdB	KCD	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship
	j) Mountain to Sound	Craig	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing support
	k) Nature Conservancy	Joanna	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing support
	I) Native Plant Society	Sandra W	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing support
	m) Plant Amnesty	Joanna/PdB	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing support
	n) Plant for the Planet	Joanna/Andrew	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing support
	o) Forterra	Joanna	TBD	TBD	TBD	Build Relationship

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4.	Race and Social Justice Initiative					
a)	Continue exploring ways to incorporate RSJI principles into UFC work	Megan	OSE	January	Ongoing	Outreach
IV.	Funding for Urban Forestry					
1.	Issue a letter about departmental funding levels based on 2016 briefings.	Weston	OSE	Ongoing	Ongoing	TBD
2.	Encourage City to allocate necessary budget to implement new tree ordinance	Steve	SDCI, MO, CC	Ongoing	Ongoing	Letter of recommendation
3.	Green Seattle Partnership ongoing briefings on use of funds	Weston/PdB	OSE	TBD	TBD	TBD
4.	Transfer of development rights for protection of tree groves (Seattle Times building example)	Weston	SDCI	TBD	TBD	TBD
5.	Trees for Seattle program update	Weston/PdB	OSE	Q1	Q1	Ongoing support
6.	Carbon Economy (State, County, City levels)	PdB	OSE	TBD	TBD	TBD
V.	Internal Operations					
1.	Issue 2018 Annual Report	Weston/PdB	OSE	Dec/Jan	Nov/Dec	Annual report
2.	Create 2019 work plan	Weston/PdB	OSE	Dec/Jan	Nov/Dec	Annual work plan
3.	Hold Chair and Vice-chair elections	Weston/PdB	OSE	Dec	Nov/Dec	New leadership