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MEMORANDUM

RULES COMMITTEE

SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO:

Supervisor Norman Yee, Chair

Rules Committee

FROM:

Alisa Somera, Clerk, Rules Committee

DATE:

September 19, 2014

SUBJECT:

COMMITTEE REPORT, BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

The following file should be presented as a **COMMITTEE REPORT** at the Board meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2014. This item was acted upon at the Regular Rules Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., by the votes indicated.

Item No. 27 File No. 140968

[Appointment, Urban Forestry Council - Michael Sullivan]

Motion appointing Michael Sullivan, term ending November 18, 2016, to the Urban Forestry Council.

Prepared in Committee as a Motion RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT

Vote: Supervisor Norman Yee - Aye Supervisor Katy Tang - Aye Supervisor David Campos - Aye

c: Board of Supervisors
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Rick Caldeira, Deputy Legislative Clerk
Jon Givner, Deputy City Attorney

File No.	140968	Committee Item No.	3
		Board Item No.	27

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	Completed by: Alisa Miller Date September 12, 2014 Completed by: Alisa Comera Date Ceptember 19, 2014					

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MOTION NO.

Motion appointing Michael Sullivan, term ending November 18, 2016, to the Urban Forestry Council.

[Appointment, Urban Forestry Council - Michael Sullivan]

MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby appoint the hereinafter designated person to serve as a member of the Urban Forestry Council, pursuant to the provisions of the San Francisco Environment Code, Section 1200, for the term specified:

Michael Sullivan, seat 6, succeeding William Most, resigned, must be a representative of the community, for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.



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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces					
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: San Francisco Urban Forestry Council					
Seat # or Category (If applicable): District: Name: Michael J. Sullivan					
Home Address: Woodland Avenue, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94117					
Home Phone: 415 Occupation: attorney					
Work Phone: 415 983-1064 Employer: Pillsbury Winthrop					
Business Address: 4 Embarcadero Center, 22nd Floor, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94111					
Business E-Mail: michael.sullivan@pillsburylaw.com Home E-Mail: michaelsullivan415@					
Pursuant to Charter Section 4.101 (a)2, Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of electors (registered voters) of the City and County of San Francisco. For certain other bodies, the Board of Supervisors can waive the residency requirement.					
Check All That Apply:					
Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes 🔳 No 🗌 If No, where registered:					
Resident of San Francisco Yes No If No, place of residence:					
Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:					
I am a member of the LGBT community, and by some definitions, I am considered a "senior". I live in Supervisorial District 5.					

Business and/or professional experience:
I am an attorney by profession, specializing in the representation of small businesses and entrepreneurs.
My experience relating to the UFC is really outside of my work life as an attorney. I have been a volunteer with Friends of the Urban Forest for 25 years; I served on the Board of Directors of FUF for 12 years, including a stint as Board Chair. I served on the Urban Forestry Council for two years (2003-2005), and on the Recreation and Park Commission from 2007-2010. I was certified as an arborist by the State of California and passed the certified arborist exam. Finally, I maintain a website at www.sftrees.com concerning the trees of San Francisco, and I am the author of Trees of San Francisco, which came out in a 2nd Edition in 2013.
Civic Activities:
See above regarding Friends of the Urban Forest; Urban Forestry Council; Recreation and Park Commission. I am a member and frequent volunteer with the Mt. Sutro Stewards, a group that builds and maintains trails and restores native plants on San Francisco's Mt. Sutro. I am a member of the San Francisco Parks Alliance, and a member and board member of SF Moderates.
Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes No
For appointments by the Board of Supervisors, appearance before the RULES COMMITTEE is a requirement before any appointment can be made. (Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)
Date: 9/0/14 Applicant's Signature: (required) (Manually sign or type your complete name. NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)
Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year. Once Completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.
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Application for Board	ls, Commissions, Committees,	& Task Forces
Name of Board, Commission, Co	ommittee, or Task Force: Urban Fo	restry Commission
	_{0:} 4, 5, 6, 7 or at large	
Name: Carolyn Johnst	ton	
Home Address: Dorc	hester Way	Zip: 94127
Home Phone: 415-	Occupation: Retired	
	Employer:	
Business Address:		Zip:
Business E-Mail:	Home E-Mail:	nnston@
Pursuant to Charter Section the Charter must consist of	n 4.101 (a)2, Boards and Commissic electors (registered voters) of the other bodies, the Board of Supervi	ons established by City and County of
Check All That Apply:		
Registered voter in San Fran	cisco: Yes No If No, where r	egistered:
Resident of San Francisco	Yes No If No, place of residence	ce:
Pursuant to Charter section 4.	101 (a)1, please state how your qua	lifications

Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:

I have owned two homes in the West Portal neighborhood of San Francisco since 1986. I am a mother of two boys who have attended San Francisco public schools: West Portal Elementary School, Claire Lilienthal School, Herbert Hoover Middle School, and Lowell High School. We are practicing Catholics. Weregularly attend Mass at three churches in the City: St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Dominic's Church, and St. Stephen's Church. We enjoy using San Francisco's urban forests for recreational purposes. For almost thirty years we have hiked with our dogs on Mount Davidson. My parents live in the Cathedral Hill neighborhood of San Francisco. My father and my sons have volunteered for the GGNRA and the SFRPD, restoring native plant habitats.

Business and/or professional experience:					
I am a retired attorney. I worked from 1985 to 1996 at Moroffice in the litigation department. During my tenure at Morbono representation to various individuals and non-profit o land use and other matters. I worked from 1998 to 2002 a class-action civil rights case at JAMS in San Francisco. Francisco. Cannata, Ching & O'Toole in San Francisco.	rrison & Foerster, I provided pro rganizations in environmental, s a neutral in a nationwide				
Civic Activities:					
I am a docent at the California Academy of Sciences. I am Committee chair of the Greater West Portal Neighborhood the San Francisco Forest Alliance. I am an active member Society and the local chapter of the Sierra Club.	Association. I am the president of				
Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which yo	u wish appointment? Yes No				
For appointments by the Board of Supervisors, appearance before the RULES COMMITTEE is a requirement before any appointment can be made. (Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)					
Date. March 29, 2014 Applicant's Signature: (required) Carolyn A. Johnston					
Date: March 29, 2014 Applicant's Signature: (required)	(Manually sign or type your complete name. NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)				
<u>Please Note</u> : Your application will be retained for one year all attachments, become public record.	Once Completed, this form, including				
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Appointed to Seat #: Term Expires: Date	Seat was Vacated:				

From:

janet kessler <jannyck@aol.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:18 AM

To:

Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)

Cc:

Miller, Alisa

Subject:

Recommending Carolyn Johnston for the San Francisco Urban Forestry Council

Hello Chairman Yee, Vice Chair Tang and Supervisor Campos --

I'm writing to recommend Carolyn Johnston to fill the vacant seat on the San Francisco Urban Forestry Council. She has dedicated huge amounts of time and effort to this issue, cares tremendously about our urban forest and cares greatly about the trees. She does her homework and knows the issues. She would be a great addition to the San Francisco Urban Forestry Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Janet Kessler San Francisco Resident for 40 years

From:

Ron Proctor <ron@ronproctor.net>

Sent:

Thursday, September 18, 2014 9:42 AM

To:

Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); norman.yee.bos@sfgov.org; Miller, Alisa

Subject:

Carolyn Johnston for Urban Forestry Council appointment

Greetings to Supervisors, Yee, Tang, and Campos:

I thank you for the opportunity to recommend the appointment of Carolyn Johnston to the Urban Forestry Council. I have known Carolyn for many years (*we are neighbors in the Mt. Davidson - Glen Canyon Park neighborhoods*) and know she is qualified and experienced with forestry matters.

She would be a valuable addition to the Council because she cares for the environment and urban forestry here in San Francisco, as well as the appropriate use of public funds.

I recall a statement of hers' recently, which resonates with me, as should you:

"I walked around Glen Canyon Park two days ago, and I was pleasantly surprised. I think it looks very nice, ... I think people ought to go and take a careful look at it before criticizing it publicly."

Hers voice is that pragmatism, balance with a keen respect for facts and data. Carolyn will be a balance for you on the Urban Forestry Council; please vote her in. Your support of Carolyn Johnston will reap major benefits to our beautiful city and she will represent the broader public and value the input and engagement for all involved.

Many thanks, and go walk in a city park!

Ron Proctor

San Francisco, CA

From: Sent: Nancy Wuerfel <nancenumber1@aol.com> Wednesday, September 17, 2014 4:36 PM

To:

Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)

Cc:

Miller, Alisa

Subject:

RE: Support for appointment of Carolyn Johnston,

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FILE # 140968 UFC vacant seat 6 community representative

Dear Supervisor Yee, Tang, and Campos:

Please support the appointment of Carolyn Johnston for the Community Representative seat 6. Mrs. Johnston has the diversity of qualifications necessary to be an effective and knowledgeable spokesperson for the people of San Francisco on the topic of preserving and enhancing our tree canopy.

Since this seat is to represent the community, it is important that the applicant demonstrate involvement with neighborhood organizations and is actively promoting healthy trees in the environment. Mrs. Johnston has the background that the authors of the founding ordinance had in mind for this seat:

Civic activities that include being the Chair of he Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association; Docent at the California Academy of Sciences, President of the SF Forest Alliance, member of Golden Gate Audubon and Sierra Club.

She is a homeowner, mother of two boys who attended public schools, and her family has volunteered service in the GGNRA and local parks.

She also has contributed professionally as an attorney for non-profit organizations in environmental land use issues.

Carolyn Johnston has what is needed to be a voice for the rest of us! Though Mr. Sullivan has many qualifications, he represents the establishment not the people. The Urban Forestry Council already has a representative from the Friends of the Urban Forest - a nonprofit seat, and representatives certified by a professional tree management organization. Mr. Sullivan does not bring anything new to the Council, just repetition of the current appointees. Mrs. Johnson brings a broad range of viewpoints from the many stakeholders with whom she associates.

Please support a true Community Representative - Carolyn Johnston.

Sincerely,

Nancy Wuerfel

Park, Recreation, Open Space Advisory Committee member for 9 years

From: marymcallister@comcast.net

Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 5:00 PM

To: Campos, David (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS)

Cc: Miller, Alisa

Subject: Appointment to Urban Forestry Council, Agenda for 9/18/14

RE: Appointment to Urban Forestry Council

Dear Rules Committee,

I am writing in support of the application of Carolyn Johnston for a seat on the Urban Forestry Council. Ms. Johnston is the President of the San Francisco Forest Alliance and a neighbor of Mount Davidson. She and the SFFA have been tirelessly fighting for several years to save 1,600 trees on Mount Davidson from being needlessly destroyed. She has demonstrated her commitment to the trees of San Francisco.

In contrast, the other applicant for the seat on the UFC, Mike Sullivan, has demonstrated his commitment to the native plant movement in San Francisco. Although he knows the trees of San Francisco, he has been a consistent supporter of the projects that are transforming the landscape of San Francisco's parks and open spaces into treeless grassland and dune scrub. He has also expressed his support for the removal of most of the trees in the Sutro Forest owned by UCSF. When he was on the Commission of the Recreation and Parks Department, he was also a consistent supporter of the Natural Areas Program which is responsible for the transformation of San Francisco's public parks to native vegetation, which is virtually treeless.

Although it is appropriate for both viewpoints to be represented on the Urban Forestry Council, native plants are presently well represented on the Council. The Urban Forestry Council recently demonstrated its commitment to the native plant movement by endorsing a revised urban forestry master plan for San Francisco which redefines the "urban forest" to include "other vegetation." This revision of the original version of the master plan was made in response to the demands of native plant advocates who want native shrubs to replace non-native trees. This redefinition of "urban forest" will ensure that San Francisco will gradually revert to the treeless landscape that preceded European settlement. Here is a link to an article in the West Portal Monthly which reports on this unfortunate revision to San Francisco's urban forestry master plan: http://sfforest.net/in-the-news/

It is in the best interests of the citizens of San Francisco that the Urban Forestry Council represents all San Franciscans, not just one small segment of the population. Therefore, the Urban Forestry Council must include those who value the trees that are capable of growing in San Francisco's unforgiving climate. Carolyn Johnson represents an opportunity to add such representation to the Urban Forestry Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary McAllister

From:

apglk@comcast.net

Sent:

Wednesday, September 17, 2014 11:04 PM

To:

Campos, David (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS)

Cc:

Miller, Alisa

Subject:

In support of Carolyn Johnston for Urban Forestry Council

Dear Supervisors Campos, Tang, and Yee,

I'm writing to support candidacy of Carolyn Johnston for the Urban Forestry Council. She will represent the viewpoint of many people who like trees and want to see more of them. Our urban forests need to be preserved and expended. There is no excuse for cutting trees just because they are "non-native" as the RPD is willing to do and as is currently planned in SNRAMP. Trees are very important. They absorb carbon, reduce air pollution, provide wind and sound barriers, prevent soil erosion.

Carolyn is committed to the natural environment and particularly to trees and urban forests. She has been active in the Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association and in various environmental groups - she will be a terrific community representative.

I urge you to offer her a place on the Council.

Sincerely, Anastasia Glikshtern (District 7)

From:

Sandy Lawson <sandy.lawson@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 18, 2014 6:18 AM

To:

Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)

Cc:

Miller, Alisa

Subject:

Support for appointment of Carolyn Johnston, FILE # 140968 UFC vacant seat 6 community

representative

Dear Supervisor Yee, Tang, and Campos:

Please support the appointment of Carolyn Johnston for the Community Representative seat 6. Mrs. Johnston has the diversity of qualifications necessary to be an effective and knowledgeable spokesperson for the people of San Francisco on the topic of preserving and enhancing our tree canopy.

Since this seat is to represent the community, it is important that the applicant demonstrate involvement with neighborhood organizations and is actively promoting healthy trees in the environment. Mrs. Johnston has the background that the authors of the founding ordinance had in mind for this seat:

Civic activities that include being the Chair of he Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association; Docent at the California Academy of Sciences, President of the SF Forest Alliance, member of Golden Gate Audubon and Sierra Club.

She is a homeowner, mother of two boys who attended public schools, and her family has volunteered service in the GGNRA and local parks.

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Carolyn Johnston has what is needed to be a voice for the rest of us! Though Mr. Sullivan has many qualifications, he represents the establishment not the people. The Urban Forestry Council already has a representative from the Friends of the Urban Forest - a nonprofit seat, and representatives certified by a professional tree management organization. Mr. Sullivan does not bring anything new to the Council, just repetition of the current appointees. Mrs. Johnson brings a *broad range of viewpoints from the many stakeholders* with whom she associates.

Please support a true Community Representative - Carolyn Johnston.

Sincerely,

Alexander Lawson 2246 28th avenue

Sandy

415 418 6179 h sandy.lawson@gmail.com

From: Sent:

Karl Olson <kolson@rocklawcal.com> Thursday, September 18, 2014 8:48 AM

To:

Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); Miller, Alisa

Subject:

Support for appointment of Carolyn Johnston: File # 140968 Urban Forestry Council vacant

seat 6 community representative

Importance:

High

Dear Supervisors Yee, Tang and Campos,

Please support the appointment of Carolyn Johnston TODAY for the Community Representative Seat 6 on the Urban Forestry Council. Ms. Johnston will be a strong voice on the Urban Forestry Council on the issue of preserving and enhancing San Francisco's tree canopy.

This seat on the UFC represents the community. As such, it is vital that the representative demonstrate involvement with neighborhood organizations. Ms. Johnston, through her tireless work with the San Francisco Forest Alliance and the Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association, has done so. She has also been active in the public schools, having sent her two boys through West Portal Elementary, Hoover (and Claire Lilienthal) Middle Schools and Lowell High School. She has also been an attorney for non-profit organizations on environmental land use issues and has done a great deal of pro bono work for low-income individuals.

Ms. Johnston would be a strong voice on the Urban Forestry Council representing a viewpoint which needs representation on the council. Please support her candidacy.

Best regards, Karl Olson

Karl Olson Ram, Olson, Cereghino & Kopczynski LLP 555 Montgomery Street, Suite 820 San Francisco, CA 94111

Tel: 415-433-4949 Fax: 415-433-7311

From:

Avrum Shepard <ashepard@well.com>

Sent: Wednesday To: Tang. Katy (

Wednesday, September 17, 2014 10:31 AM Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)

Cc:

Miller, Alisa

Subject:

Carolyn Johnston - Urban Forestry Council

Supervisors, Yee, Tang, and Campos,

I write to you to ask you to appoint Carolyn Johnston to the Urban Forestry Council.

The Council desperately needs a variety of voices, if it is to represent the people of San Francisco. Right now, it's mostly one viewpoint. The Council should represent ALL the people of San Francisco, not just those who share a narrow viewpoint.

Carolyn has been active in our Greater West Portal Neighborhood organization for many years. She is currently serving as secretary of the organization and is a past vice-president. She has heard the concerns of neighborhood residents. One of their major concerns is the planned elimination of thousands of trees from a very sparse tree canopy in San Francisco despite all we now know about how important trees are to combat the climate change crisis. Her service on Urban Forestry Council is desperately needed.

Your support of Carolyn Johnston will reap major benefits to our beautiful city.

Thanks.

Avrum Shepard 1037 Portola Drive San Francisco, CA (415)661-9255

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VACANCY NOTICE

URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL

Replaces All Previous Notices

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following vacancies:

Vacant seat 1, succeeding J. Malcolm Hillan, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must represent an educational organization involved with tree management (University of California Cooperative Extension, etc.), for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Vacant seat 2, succeeding Andrew Sullivan, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must be certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects), for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Vacant seat 3, succeeding Dan Kida, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must be certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects), for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Vacant seat 4, succeeding Dan Flanagan, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must be a member of a non-profit organization involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues, for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Vacant seat 5, succeeding Sandy Sherwin, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must be a member of a non-profit organization involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues, for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Vacant seat 6, succeeding William Most, resigned, must be a representative of the community, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending November 18, 2014.

Vacant seat 7, succeeding Rose Hillson, term expiring on November 18, 2014, must be a representative of the community, for a two-year term ending November 18, 2016.

Report: The Council shall report to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor by September 1st each year regarding the state of the urban forest. The report shall contain a review of the quality of urban forest stewardship and an assessment of how well public agencies and other urban forest managers are implementing the Urban Forest Plan.

Sunset Date: The Council shall continue to operate unless the Board of Supervisors terminates the code section or creates a successor to the Urban Forestry Council.

Additional information relating to the Urban Forestry Council may be obtained by reviewing Environment Code, Chapter 12, or Public Works Code, Section 803 at http://www.sfbos.org/sfmunicodes or by visiting the Council's website at http://commission.sfenvironment.org/urban-forestry-council.

Interested persons may obtain an application from the Board of Supervisors website at http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy application or from the Rules Committee Clerk, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102-4689. Completed applications should be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. All applicants must be residents of San Francisco, unless otherwise stated.

Next Steps: Applicants who meet minimum qualifications will be contacted by the Rules Committee Clerk once the Rules Committee Chair determines the date of the hearing. Members of the Rules Committee will consider the appointment(s) at the meeting and applicant(s) may be asked to state their qualifications. The appointment of the individual(s) who is recommended by the Rules Committee will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

Please Note: Depending upon the posting date, these vacancies may have already been filled. To determine if vacancies for this Council are still available, or if you require additional information, please call the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-4447.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

DATED/POSTED:

September 8, 2014

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Date Established:

February 16, 2001

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Contact and Address:

Monica Fish Commission Secretary Environment 11 Grove Street San Francisco, CA 94102

Phone: (415) 355-3709 Fax: (415) 554-6393

Email: Monica.Fish@sfgov.org

Authority:

Environment Code, Chapter 12 (Ordinance Nos. 171-03; and 210-08), and Public Works Code, Section 803 (Ordinance No. 165-95; and 17-06)

Board Qualifications:

The Urban Forestry Council protects the community interest and ensures that San Francisco realizes the full range of tree benefits into the future. Council members will represent the full range of urban forest stakeholders, including City agencies, non-profit organizations, tree management organizations, and community members.

The Urban Forestry Council shall be comprised of eleven (11) voting members, seven (7) of whom are appointed by the Board of Supervisors, as follows:

- > One (1) member from an educational organization involved with tree management (University of California Cooperative Extension, etc.);
- > Two (2) members certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects);
- > Two (2) members of non-profit organizations involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues; and
- > Two (2) members from the community.

The Mayor shall appoint two (2) voting members, as follows:

- > One (1) member from the tree care industry; and
- > One (1) member at large.

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The following departments shall have voting members:

- > Director of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee (1); and
- > Director of the Planning Department or his/her designee (1).

The Council shall have advisory members comprised of representatives from the following departments: > Recreation and Park Department; and

> Public Utilities Commission.

In addition, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area are invited to send representatives to sit as advisory members of the Council.

Members shall serve for two-year terms and can serve successive terms if reappointed by the body originally appointing the Council member. The Body that appoints Council members also may appoint at-large members to serve any unfilled Council positions.

The Council shall meet at least once each month and establish its own operating procedures, which at a minimum, shall meet the public notice, meeting, voting, agenda and other procedural requirements set forth in local law. Subcommittees shall be created to adequately address other special areas of concern on an as needed basis.

The Department of the Environment, with adequate funding to assist the Council in carrying out its mission, shall provide professional and administrative staff to the Council.

Reports: The Council shall report to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor by September 1st each year regarding the state of the urban forest. The report shall contain a review of the quality of urban forest stewardship and an assessment of how well public agencies and other urban forest managers are implementing the Urban Forest Plan.

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