

*“There is not a village in America, however badly planned at first,
or ill-built afterwards, that may not be redeemed, in a great measure,
by the aid of shade trees in the streets ... and it is never too late
or too early to project improvements of this kind.”*

Andrew Jackson Downing (1815-1852)

AGENDA
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH
TREES AND PUBLIC GREENERY COMMITTEE
8:00 AM – Wednesday, April 9, 2025 City
Hall, Conference Room A and via Zoom

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1. Acceptance of Minutes of March 12, 2025 meeting
2. Removal requests:
 - 276 Melbourne St: 1 red maple, poor condition, removal requested by resident, removal recommended by the City. A storm in March resulted in the failure and removal of one of the leaders of this multi-stem tree. The remaining stems are now more exposed to external forces which could lead to a similar failure. The leader nearest the house has a lot of end weight with no reduction pruning available.
 - 361 Hanover St: 2 green ash, poor condition, removal requested by landscape architect, removals recommended by the City. The removal of these ash trees will facilitate the renovation of this right-of-way area which will include tree planting. These ash trees have been poorly pruned for utility clearance and are susceptible to emerald ash borer. (See attached landscaping plan for 361 Hanover St.)
 - 205 Broad St: 1 northern catalpa, fair condition, removal requested by resident. The removal of this tree will facilitate the renovation of this property which will create off-street parking for the residents. (See attached tree risk assessment performed by Seacoast Tree Care, and site plan for 205 Broad St.)
 - 328 Colonial Dr: 2 little-leaf linden, poor-to-fair condition, removal requested by resident, 1 removal recommended by the City. These two trees have been poorly pruned for utility clearance. Each tree has a cavity on the house-facing side of the trunk, with one tree exhibiting a hollow main stem.
3. Landscaping requests:
 - 361 Hanover St: replacing the two ash with 3 Acer rubrum 'Blowhall,' 4 Juniperus virginiana 'Emerald Sentinel' and Rhus aromatica 'Gro Low.'
4. Arbor Day 2025:

5. Tree planting 2025

6. New Business

7. Old Business

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Bagley, Chair