"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, June 11, 2025 City Hall, Conference Room A and via Zoom

To register in advance for this webinar via Zoom: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_3N7pbbuqRgOEzXFYaQhJIw</u> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

- 1. Acceptance of Minutes for May 14, 2025 meeting
- 2. Removal requests:
- **548 Broad St:** 1 Red maple, fair condition, resident request. The resident is requesting the removal of this tree out of concern for failure caused by the structural defects. The tree presents some cavities and necrotic bark. There is good reaction wood forming around these defects and the tree is generally vigorous. The urban forestry crew can make reduction prunes to help alleviate limb weight.
- **215 Richards Ave:** 1 Norway maple, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by the City. This tree is of low vigor with uniform decline present throughout the canopy.
- **139** Cass St: 1 Norway maple, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by the City. There are large dead leaders in this tree, and there is uniform decline throughout the canopy. The urban forestry crew has pruned this tree twice in the last 6 years and the decline of this tree has persisted.
- **149 Cass St:** 1 Norway maple, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by the City. There is moderate decline throughout the canopy. The urban forestry crew has pruned this tree twice in the last 6 years and the decline of this tree has persisted.
- **870 Woodbury Ave:** 1 Norway maple, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by the City. There are large dead leaders in this tree, and there is decline throughout the canopy.
- Pease Wastewater Treatment Plant (135 Corporate Dr): 1 Red maple, poor condition, City request, removal recommended by the City. The tree is significantly declined, and the future renovation to the facility will result in root damage.

See Meeting Packet for images of the trees or review using the <u>Portsmouth Public Tree Viewer</u> to sort for trees proposed for removal.

- 3. New Business
- 4. Old Business
- Update on 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. The request for variance at the Zoning Board of Adjustment was denied at the May 27, 2025 meeting. As such, construction will not occur as presented at the TPGC meeting in April. The tree may be requested for removal separate from the necessity of construction, or if an updated plan calls for the tree to be removed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Bagley, Chair