

MINUTES

University Lakes, Vegetation and Landscape Committee

July 2, 2026, 9:00 AM

Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive

Members attending:

Adam Dale – Assistant Professor, Entomology and Nematology Department – Chair
Gregg Clarke – Director of Operations, Facilities Services
Jason Kruse – Associate Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Jordan Benton – Assistant Director of Business Operations, Facility Services
Kevin Korus – IFAS
Latrell Simmons – UFPD, Major, Support Services Division & Community Service Division
Lisa Strange – Extension Agent II
Nancy Chrystal-Green – Assistant Vice President, Student Engagement
Ryan Vaughn – Interim City Arborist, City of Gainesville

Members not attending:

Asena Goren – Post Doctoral Associate
Brandi Renton – Vice President of Business Affairs
Bruce Daley – Assistant Vice President, Planning, Design & Construction
Colt Little – Vice President for Construction, Facilities, and Real Estate
Cydney McGlothlin – University Architect, Planning, Design & Construction
Gail Hansen De Chapman – Environmental Horticulture
Gerardo Nunez – Assistant Professor, Horticultural Services
Grace John – Assistant Professor, Biology
Monika Oli – Master Lecturer, Microbiology and Cell Science
Richard Dolson – Student
Ryan Klein – Assistant Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Tom Schlick – Assistant Director of Grounds, Facilities Services

Visitors attending:

Charles Kammin – Utilities & Energy Services	Jarrett Pearson – NV5
Cole Menhennett – NV5	John-Michael Simpson – NV5
Daniel Young – NV5	Kevin Korus - IFAS
Heather Rohrer – Planning, Design & Construction	Mark Helms – Facilities Services
Jamie Lindsey – Planning, Design & Construction	

Robert Drumheller – Operations
Rick Falcon – Planning, Design & Construction
Tamera Baughman – Planning, Design &
Construction
Tom Feather – Planning, Design & Construction

I. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

Motion: Kevin Korus made a motion to adopt the agenda and approve the March minutes.

Second: Nancy Chrystal-Green

Motion carried unanimously

II. MAJOR PROJECTS

UF-672 New Music Building

PRESENTING: Milo Zapata

- Goal: proposing to remove tree for new classroom trailer
- Net increase of 503 square feet
- Newly proposed removal: 1 3-trunk red mulberry tree = technically 21” heritage
- Mitigation fee: \$12,000 total for the project, \$3,000 added with additional tree loss (?).
- Committee advised considering a replacement mulberry tree to replant in place once the temporary trailer is gone.
- Committee discussed impact on mitigation payment if replanting is intended, since the mitigation fund is intended for replanting.
- Gregg Clarke suggested tying specific tree planting to a (this) specific project rather than deferring to facilities to keep track of a single replanting.

Motion: Nancy Chrystal-Greene motioned to approve the project’s latest request as presented, with the addition of asking the project to plant a red mulberry back at the conclusion of the project; with the addition to satisfy the mitigation requirement of two additional trees for a 3-trunk heritage tree.

Second: Jason Kruse.

Motion Carried Unanimously

III. MINOR PROJECTS

None

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Landscaping & Natural Resource Projects

- Radio Rd and 34th landscaping project
- Tree removal report will be presented next month and will combine 2 months of data
 - The committee asked that the report be presented monthly in future
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V. Chair’s Report

Adam Dale

- Adam requested reports of tree removals for next meeting
- Replacement members have been invited and are awaiting confirmation
- The Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.