MINUTES
University Lakes, Vegetation and Landscaping Committee
September 3, 2026, 9:00 AM
Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive

Members attending:
Adam Dale, Associate Professor, Entomology & Nematology – Chair
Angie Price, Assistant University Librarian, Marston Science Library
Cydney McGlothlin, University Architect, Planning, Design & Construction
Gregg Clarke, Senior Director, Facilities Services
Heather Rohrer, University Planner, Planning, Design & Construction
Jason Kruse, Associate Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Jordan Benton, Director, Facilities Services
Kevin Korus, Extension Agent III, UF/IFAS
Ryan Klein, Assistant Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Ryan Vaughn, City of Gainesville Interim City Arborist
Tom Schlick, Director, Facilities Services

Members not attending:
Burton Litman, Student
Gail Hansen de Chapman, Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Grace John, Assistant Professor, Biology
Kevin Sowers, Associate Vice President, Business Affairs
Latrell Simmons, Major, University Police Department
Lisa Strange, Extension Agent II
Nancy Chrystal-Green, Associate Vice President, Student Life
Tonya Ashworth, Extension Agent II, Ag and Life Sciences

Visitors attending:
Bruce Daley, Planning, Design & Construction
Elisabeth Manley, Kimley-Horn
Daphney Milian, Planning, Design & Construction
Jamie Lindsey, Planning, Design & Construction
Laura Scott, Planning, Design & Construction
Mark Helms, Facilities Services
Paul Shamp, Planning, Design & Construction
Taylor Mott Elton, Facilities Services

I. Adoption of Agenda & Minutes

Motion: Jason Kruse made a motion to adopt the agenda and approve the minutes.

Second: Kevin Korus

Motion carried unanimously

II. Major Projects

None

III. Minor Projects

MP06773 Lake Wauburg Recreation Facilities Enhancement, North Shore
Presenting: Paul Shamp and Elisabeth Manley

- This project includes the first four phases of the Lake Wauburg Master Plan.
- Goals: improve entry and parking, enhance beach area, address erosion issues, improve stormwater management and construct a new picnic pavilion
- Tree removals: 53, 0 high-quality natives, 0 heritage trees
- The committee noted their appreciation that the project aims to preserve live oaks and relocate up to 50% of removed trees and asked that an updated landscape plan be presented later.

Motion: Kevin Korus motioned to forward the project to the VP for Construction, Facilities and Real Estate with a recommendation to approve as presented.

Second: Jason Kruse

Motion carried unanimously

IV. Other Business

Landscaping & Natural Resource Projects

- Jordan and Tom reviewed native plant landscape projects and the list of dead, diseased and hazardous trees removed, noting that most tree decline was due to drought
- Facilities will conduct interviews for an arborist/landscape architect

Member Comments

None

Public Comments

None

Chair's Report

- Adam noted that committee membership has been updated for 2026-2027

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 am.