



## Urban Forestry Commission Meeting Agenda

April 18, 2026  
10:00 AM

### Water Resource Education Center

WREC Classroom  
4600 Columbia Way  
Vancouver, WA 98661-1995

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Phone Conference ID: 989 890 263#

#### Advance Retreat Prep:

- Watch assigned short videos
- Review UFMP and UF Work Plan 2025-26
- Reflect on: Ideas for engaging the community
- Reflect on: Subcommittees (Policy, Outreach, Pollinator, and Corridors) what excites you

#### Desired Outcomes:

##### Shared understanding of:

- What each person individually brings to the Commission
- Expectations for working together
- UFMP and UF Work Plan 2025-26
- Identification of personal passion and commitment to action for 2027-28 that can focus new Subcommittees
- Shared understanding of Commission roles and goals for 2027-28

- 1. Introductions and Getting to know each other - Facilitator  
10:00 - 10:45am**  
Role/Ground Rules. Icebreaker sharing about yourself and interest in the commission/working with urban forestry.
- 2. Past Success, Programing for 2027-28, UFMP and what is next? Staff and Facilitator 10:45 - 12:00pm**

## Urban Forestry Commission

### Members

Jesse Durfee  
Lucius Shields  
Jamie Beyer  
Ammaar Akhtar  
Clif Barnes  
Lauren Danner  
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Staff provide past successes, programming for 2027-28, UFMP and Grant funding in the future. Group discuss future opportunities

**3. Lunch 12:00 - 12:30pm**

Lunch

a. Prep Work

**4. Neighborhood Liaison role review/improvements. 12:30 – 1:45pm**

Commission and staff participation and discussion. How can the Commission engage further at the neighborhood level?

**5. UFC Subcommittee Assignments- UFC Chair and Vice Chair with Facilitator 1:45 – 2:30pm**

Group discuss are the current Subcommittees still relevant? Should there be new ones? Group organize themselves into Subcommittees (no more than three Commissioners on each) and select Chairs for each.

**6. Wrap up, Parking lot items & Identifying our personal passion and commitment to action for 2027–28 - Facilitator 2:30 – 3:00pm**

How can we engage the community? What do we want to focus on over the next 5 years? Wrap up & closing

**Possible New Business topics:**

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