

URBAN FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

TREE BOARD DISCUSSION – November 7, 2022

Contents

Background	1
Current Situation	1
Next Steps	2
Staff Contact	3

Background

The City Council adopted the Urban Forestry Management Plan (UFMP) on March 2, 2021, by Ordinance No. 2020-004. We are now in the implementation phase.

Action B in Plan Section 3.05(E) – *Engage*, Goal 6: *Promote community and urban forest stewardship, education, and achievement*, Objective 6.4: *Improve communication and coordination regarding the community and urban forest*, calls for City department staff to meet on an annual basis with the Tree Board to discuss implementation of the Plan.

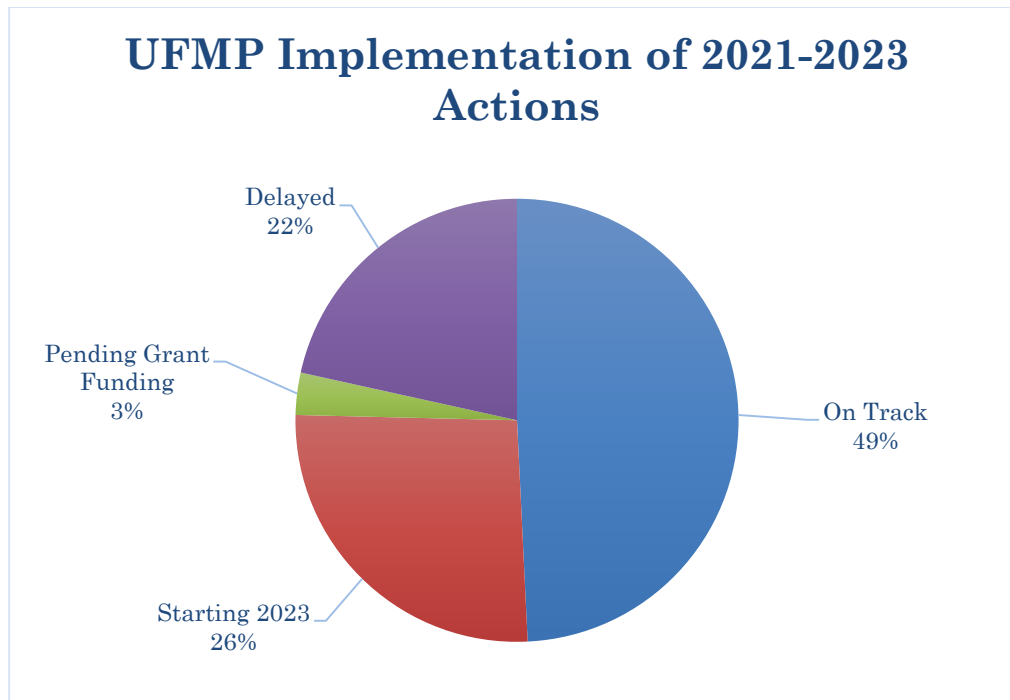
The directors or representatives of the City’s Community Development, Parks and Recreation, Transportation and Engineering, and Water Resources and Sustainability departments will be attending the Tree Board’s November 7, 2022 meeting to review implementation of the Plan’s actions and answer questions.

Current Situation

Implementation Progress

Attachment B *Urban Forestry Management Plan Action Implementation Table Sorted by Start Date* contains the 2021-2023 actions in the Plan sorted by start date with notes on the progress of implementation.

The UFMP as adopted includes sixty-six actions scheduled to begin implementation between 2021 and 2023. To report on the progress of implementation, the status of those actions have been separated into actions that are on track, starting in 2023, pending grant funding, and actions that are delayed. Figure 1 below shows the percentage of actions that fall into each of those status categories. 49% of those near future UFMP actions are on-track, 26% are starting in 2023, 3% are pending grant funding, and the remaining 22% are delayed.



Adaptive Management

Following Action 4.4 C, staff has been using adaptive management to approach specific actions in the UFMP. Since the UFMP's initial adoption there have been some changes to City staffing and organization, including splitting the Public Works Department into the Water Resources & Sustainability Department and Transportation & Engineering Department and hiring a Sustainability Coordinator. As such, some actions previously assigned to the Public Works Department have been functionally divvied up between the two new Departments for implementation and many tasks that were previously assigned to Community Development Department are being implemented by the Sustainability Coordinator. Attachment B utilizes these updated assignments. When future revisions of the UFMP are undertaken those new assignments should be included as part of that update.

Sustainability Coordinator Work Program for UFMP

Attachment C *2022-2024 UFMP Implementation Sustainability Coordinator Work Program* outlines the tasks and time that the Sustainability Coordinator proposes to work on in 2023 and 2024 towards the implementation of the UFMP. The amount of time allocated is estimated at .15 to .20 FTE. Attachment C also includes a proposed timeline for this work across the biennial budget.

Next Steps

Staff suggests the Tree Board review the materials in the packet and be prepared to discuss at their November 7, 2022 meeting.

Heritage Tree Memorandum

Staff Contact

Alyssa Jones Wood, LEED Green Associate, Sustainability Coordinator
City of Tumwater Community Development Department

360-754-4140

ajoneswood@ci.Tumwater.wa.us