

NOTICE OF
CANCELLATION OF REGULAR MEETING AND
NOTICE OF CALLED MEETING
FOR THE
TREE ADVISORY BOARD

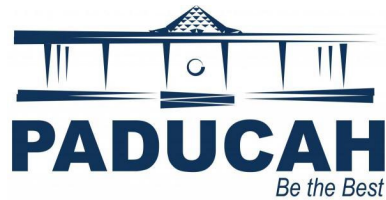
TO: Public and Media

The regular meeting of the Tree Advisory Board scheduled for Thursday October 16, 2025 at 8:30 AM has been cancelled.

There will be a Called Meeting of the Tree Advisory Board beginning at 8:30 AM on Thursday, October 23, 2025 in the Conference Room, Paducah Parks & Recreation Office at 2701 Park Ave., Paducah, Kentucky. All members are urged to be present.

The agenda is attached.

Jonathan E. Perkins, Chairman
Paducah Tree Advisory Board



PADUCAH TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, October 23, 2025

Time: 8:30 PM (local time)

Location: **Conference Room, Paducah Parks & Recreation Office**

Alternate location: N/A

Board Meeting AGENDA (CALLED Meeting)

Establishment of a Quorum of Board

- Introductions/Log Attendance (Chairman)
 - Honorable George Bray, Mayor
 - *Recent Appointees (Bonnie Koblitz, Tyler Sanderson)*
- Accept Minutes – no meeting/no quorum in March

Old Business/Follow-up:

- Ordinance Updates: Updates made to *Section 118-Vegetation*
- Tree Voucher Program (approved September 15, 2025)
- Tree Week 2025
 - a. Took place October 10-19

New/On-going Business:

- Trees for review and/or permit approval:
 - a. Oak on Washington St. (alley) shared with Les Evans – Lightning Strike
- General updates from Board. New events or opportunities?
 - a. WKCTC Earth Week 2026 (Farmer's Market)
 - b. Arbor Day 2026
- Department Updates
- Tree Voucher Program and Responsibilities of TAB and Parks Director:
 - a. TAB members to inspect plantings completed (See "*Additional Notes*")

Next Meeting Dates (as posted on paducahky.gov calendar):

- December 18, 2025, 8:30 AM

OUR PURPOSE:

- (1) To hear all appeals from denials of applications for permits required by this article.*
 - (2) To adopt rules for the conduct of such hearings, which rules shall uniformly apply to all such appeals.*
 - (3) To follow the hearing of such appeal to cause its decision to be reduced to writing.*
 - (4) To advise appropriate municipal agencies on matters of care, preservation, planting, removal, replacement or disposition of trees in parks, along streets and in public areas as needed.*
 - (5) To promote urban forestry.*
 - (6) To provide an annual report to the Board of Commissioners related to the Tree Advisory Board's activities and goals.*
 - (7) To assist the Appointee in the development and implementation of a tree voucher program.*
 - (8) Develop and maintain a list of recommended tree species acceptable for use in public rights-of-way, parks, and public areas.*
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ADDITIONAL NOTES:

Tree Voucher Program Discussion (September 15, 2025)

Director of Parks and Recreation Amie Clark presented to the Board a program to provide financial incentives to property owners to plant shade trees. The proposed Tree Voucher Program would help replenish Paducah's tree canopy, educate the public about the benefits of planting trees, and remove barriers that may exist for residents interested in planting trees on their private property. Applications for the proposed Tree Voucher Program will open to the public November 15 with only one voucher per applicant/household. Applications will be accepted through January 9. After an application review period, vouchers would be issued to approved applicants beginning February 1, 2026.

Below are a few of the program elements:

- Vouchers will be in the amount of \$250 and valid for one calendar year.
- Vouchers will be available until the designated funds are depleted. The City is setting aside \$150,000 for this program.
- Applicant information will be stored for a future tree-mapping project.
- Vouchers can be redeemed at the participating nurseries.
- Vouchers only can be used for the purchase of an approved tree species and size as listed in the guidelines.

The delivery, planting, and long-term maintenance of the tree will be the responsibility of the property owner. Once planted, a member of the Tree Advisory Board will inspect to ensure proper planting.

[\(City Commission Meeting Highlights - September 15, 2025 | City of Paducah\)](#)