

**Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC)**  
**Regular meeting Agenda**  
**March 5, 2026, 1-3:00 pm**

**Los Angeles City Hall - Room 361**  
**(In person attendance required for CFAC member quorum)**

**Zoom Video Conference 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. (Pacific)**

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**Community Forest Advisory Committee | Department of Public Works**

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Representatives: CD 1 Angelic Perez; CD 1 Alternate Lynnette Kampe, Secretary; CD 2 Joanne D'Antonio, Chair; CD 2 Alternate Kathy Schreiner; CD 3 Mihran Kalaydjian; CD 4 Deanne Paul; CD 4 Alternate Adele Slaughter, Vice Chair; CD 5 Charles Miller; CD 5 Alternate Mindy Mann; CD 6 Vacant; CD 7 Vacant; CD 8 Robin Gilliam; CD 9 Vacant; CD 10 Brent Green; CD 10 Alternate Theresa Maysonet; CD 11 Isabelle Duvivier; CD 11 Alternate Carolyn LoBuglio; CD 12 Marianne King; CD 13 Scott Fajack; CD 13 Alternate Cyndi Hubach; CD 14 Jack Smith; CD 15 Gwendolyn Henry; Mayor's Representative Sejal Patel; Mayor's Alternate Representative Michael Bircumshaw

**Members of the public are invited to participate.** Under the Brown Act, the Committee is prevented from acting on a matter that is brought to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, issues raised by a member of the public may be added to the agenda for future meetings. Members of the public can also provide comments on an agenda item when it is being considered.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

A. Call to Order - Chair Joanne D'Antonio **(1 minute)**

B. Roll Call and Determination of quorum (9) - (Lynnette Kampe) **(1 minute)** *In the event there is no quorum present, Motion items and discussions of motion items will be tabled until the next meeting.*

**2. ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS** - We acknowledge the original stewards of what is now Los Angeles County: the Kizh-Gabrieleño, Tongva, Chumash, Tataviam, Kitanemuk, Serrano, Luiseño and Cahuilla people. We commit to uplifting the names of these lands and the community members from more than 200 California First Nations who reside among us, and we honor their traditional ecological knowledge. **(1 minute)**

**3. WELCOME COMMENTS - Joanne D'Antonio, Chair (1 minute)**

Report/Announcements - Joanne D'Antonio **(5 minutes)**

A. CF 25-1428 State Codes (1299.05 and 1299.06) expressly give the City the authority to choose to develop alternative practices for Zone 0 compliance that account for local variations such as lot size, structure density—so long as the alternative practices provide, *at minimum, substantially similar practical effects* as the state regulations. Council File 25-1428 leans into these codes.

B. SB 707 and CFAC status

C. Poppy Peak letter status

D. Protected Tree Ordinance Ad hoc Subcommittee - Protection during construction and Pruning

E. Board of Forestry Zone Zero Committee not meeting until April

F. Jack Cohen presented at Defensible Space Working Group – issue is dead material in Zone 0

G. Status of feedback to UFD tree removal changes (presentation at last CFAC meeting)

H. Status of letter regarding 62 replacement trees (Miller/Bircumshaw)

- I. Purview of CFAC is the urban forest and no other matters
- J. Possible motion to postpone May 7 meeting that is in conflict with a wildfire symposium:
  - [w](#) The Catalyst .docx Please indicate if you plan to attend this event that conflicts with CFAC. (alternate May CFAC dates would have to be checked for room availability)

**4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES of CFAC Meeting February 12, 2026.** (Lynnette Kampe) (2 minutes) Link: [☰ CFAC draft minutes 2.12.2026](#)

**5. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.** (Limited to 2 minutes, per person, 16 minutes maximum.)

**6. DEPARTMENT ORAL UPDATES (10 minutes)** Urban Forestry Division

- A. City Forest Office - Rachel Malarich - UFMP Update on current progress
- B. CityPlants - status update Rachel Malarich, Commonwealth nursery care
- C. Recreation & Parks - Rio de Los Angeles Park meeting took place
- D. LASAN
- E. LADBS Department of Building & Safety
- F. Bureau of Engineering
- G. Dept. of City Planning

**7. PRELIMINARY DRAFT of the OPEN SPACE ELEMENT and POSSIBLE MOTION - Open Space Project Team** This draft addresses environmental justice, climate resilience, and rewilding opportunities in alignment with City priorities and Senate Bill 1425 (2022). (15 minutes plus 15 minutes Q & A) [Open Space Element Preliminary Draft Feedback Form - English](#)

**8. CUTTING NON-NATIVE TREES IN SEPULVEDA BASIN and GOAT GRAZE: Presentation and possible motion - Pat Bates, San Fernando Audubon Society - Pat Bates, San Fernando Valley Audubon Society** - The ultimate objective will be to gradually remove the invasive trees with re-introduction of appropriate California-native vegetation. (10 minutes)

**9. “BRUSH” CLEARANCE SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATE AND POSSIBLE MOTION** (Cyndi Hubach) (6 minutes)

**10. UPDATE ON CFAC BROCHURE & POSSIBLE MOTION TO APPROVE** - Angelic Perez (5 minutes)

**11. SMALL LOTS BIG IMPACTS CF 25-1259 POSSIBLE MOTION.** The Small Lots, Big Impacts initiative involves development on City-owned parcels that will intersect with adopted urban forest policies. Motion to transmit a Community Impact Statement to Councilmember Nithya Raman, the Los Angeles City Council, the Mayor’s Office, LAHD, and SLBI partner agencies advising on matters within CFAC’s scope related to the community forest. Michael Bircumshaw (6 minutes)

**12. EARLY PLANNING NOTIFICATION - Need to subscribe and track for trees.** Marianne King  
Instructions to subscribe: [self-register-DCP-early-notification-reports.pdf](#) SB 79 takes effect in July – effect on trees. (3 minutes)

**13. CHARTER REFORM - Adele Slaughter Update.** (3 minutes.)

**14. SIDEWALK REPAIR COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** January meeting report - Adele Slaughter (3 minutes)

**15. CFAC REPRESENTATIVES’ ORAL UPDATES** (limited to 1 min. each, Total 10 minutes)

**16. VERIFYING 9As ON PROPERTY SALE PAPERWORK.** Have received reports that sellers are not accurately revealing the existence of protected trees on property sale documents. How can these be checked? **Joanne D'Antonio (2 minutes)**

**17. PENDING ITEMS - (time permitting)**

- A. Tree Guarantee Fee plantings maps and new fee structure
- B. Status of grants for biodiversity medians (LASAN & UFD)
- C. ROW (Right of Way) tree protection during construction draft guidelines - CFO
- D. ROW Master Species List implementation - UFD
- E. Viability of CFAC BPW tree removal transmittal info through requests to UFD, or by Public Records Request (to be fast-tracked by Dep. City Attorney)
- F. Update on Proposed median Survey - StreetsLA
- G. SB 1425 – Open Space Elements of General Plan to be updated by 2026
- H. Negative impacts of Artificial Turf - advocacy
- I. No tree removal notifications to CFAC and DONE - ways to deal with lack of notices
- J. Tree over-trimming by billboard companies - possible action?
- K. CF 24-1312 Withhold Certificate of Occupancy until mitigation trees are planted
- L. CF24-1228 amendment - tree spacing guidelines review
- M. Landscape and Site Design Ordinance and Point System - pending City Attorney
- N. BOE Street Design Manual
- O. PTO revision
- P. Request for representation on Mayor's ED 9 Group - no response
- Q. How DCP determines environmentally sensitive park areas
- R. CF 25-0600-S111 5-year pruning cycle cost report (Heather Hutt) CIS to be filed
- S. Street spacing guidelines
- T. 500-600 tree removals on Van Nuys Blvd for East SFV Light Rail
- U. CFAC website revisions
- V. Council File: 25-1363 (CFMS) CFAC CIS opposing unless amended filed.
- W. Replanting of trees at Rio de Los Angeles Park

**18. ADJOURNMENT Next Meeting Date - April 2, 2026**

For questions regarding agendas, please contact Lynnette Kampe at [CFAC.CD01@gmail.com](mailto:CFAC.CD01@gmail.com). CFAC regularly meets on the 1st Thursday of every month. You may subscribe to receive future meeting agenda notification at: <https://lacity.gov/government/subscribe-agendas/boards-commissions-committees> (Select the 4th box down.)