

2025

Landscape Advisory Committee

Annual Summary of Activity



Alvernon/22nd Smart Bus Stop



Fairview/Prince Smart Bus Stop

2025 Summary of Landscape Advisory Committee Activities

I. Committee Members

a. Comprised of the following 11 members appointed to their respective categories

Petr Chylik	Landscape Contractor
Darbi Davis	Neighborhood Representative
Teresa Dekoker	Other
Erick Dhruv (resigned 9/2025)	Educator
Bo Yang (appt.10/8/2025)	Educator
Rebeca Field	Landscape Architect
Jenni Moscato	Neighborhood Representative
Flor Sandoval	Water Conservation Specialist
Kasey Schug	Horticulturist/Arborist
Nick Shipley (term exp, 9/27/2025)	Business Community
Vacant	Business Community
Vacant	Ecologist/Wildlife Habitat Specialist
Ryan Stevenson (appt 9/23/2025)	Architect/ Urban Planner

b. Membership changes:

1) Member resignation:

- Eric Dhruv, Educator representative, Sept. 2025

2) New Appointments:

- i. Ryan Stevenson, Urban Planner, September 23, 2025
- ii. Bo Yang, Educator, October 8, 2025

II. The Committee met quorum and conducted hybrid meetings in the Mesquite Conference Room, 900 S. Randolph Way, on the following dates:

- a. January 15, 2025
- b. February 19, 2025
- c. March 19, 2025
- d. April 17, 2025
- e. May 21, 2025 – Social Field Trip, Tucson Water SHARP facility, no business
- f. June 20, 2025 - summer recess
- g. July 17, 2025 – summer recess
- h. August 20, 2025
- i. September 17, 2025
- j. October 15, 2025
- k. November 19, 2025
- l. December 17, 2025

- III. Ad-Hoc Subcommittees:
- a. Plant List Subcommittee – continues to work on Tucson Region specific plant list recommendation
 - Review by LAC in Mar (Trees), Sept (Grasses), Oct (Shrubs & Perennials, Groundcovers), Nov (Succulents)
- IV. Summary LAC activities
- a. Jan.:
 - Tucson Clean & Beautiful on AAPP (Adopt A Park & Public Areas): presentation, including input from program graduates
 - Goats at Sweetwater: presentation Tucson Water Jalal Mohmoudi of vegetation management using goats
 - b. Feb.:
 - Tucson Residential Water Audits: presentation by Tucson Water Zanjero Supervisor Angel Vega
 - c. March:
 - Meet & Greet Cody Wooden: Tucson Water Commercial Rebate Manager
 - Decision for Summer hiatus to be June & July
 - Social Field Trip to Tucson Water SHARP facility; no business to be conducted; tour by Tucson Water Hydrologist
 - Discussion to move UHI workshop topic to emphasize Tree Care
 - d. April:
 - Wildlands Urban Wildfires: presentation by KP Maxwell, recommendations on protecting urban residential areas
 - Flow Forward: Re-Imagining Water Quality on SW Campus: presentation by student Raul F. Berrellez on UA Sierra Vista Campus
 - Soil Health in GSI: presentation by UA Vanessa Buzzard, research being done at UA Campbell Farm and Gunny B Park.
 - e. May:
 - Social Field Trip to Tucson Water SHARP (South Houghton Area Reclaim Project): tour by Beth Scully, hydrologist, met on-sight 8 a.m.
 - f. June:: summer hiatus
 - g. July: summer hiatus
 - h. August:
 - Meet & Greet: Ryan Stevenson applicant for Architect/Urban Planner representative
 - Landscape Regulations: Amanada Smith, COT PDSO Planner presented Middle Housing proposal going to Mayor and Council, potential to include plant list requirement
 - i. Sept:
 - Tucson Water Reclaim Program: presentation by Asia Philbin, Chief Hydrologist
 - Meet & Greet Bo Yang: applicant for Educator representative
 - j. Oct.:
 - LAC concentrated to review plant list

k. Nov.:

- Heat Mapping by MaRTy: presentation by 3 UA students in CAPLA, studying under Dr. Kristi Curans

l. Dec.:

- COT Smart Bus Stops: presentation by Jenny Moscato, Wheat/J2 Design; initial pilot project, 3 locations implemented (out of 6 – one designed for each Ward)
- Partners in Community Forestry Conference Recap: by Teresa Dekoker, attended in Nov in Nevada