



AGENDA
ATHENS SHADE TREE COMMISSION
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 - 7:00 PM
Streaming is available at www.ci.athens.oh.us/video

- 1. Establish Quorum**
- 2. Disposition of Minutes**
 - July 13, 2023
- 3. Title 33: Tree Permit, Right of Way Issues, Public Land**
 - Morris Avenue investigation update
- 4. Title 37: Landscape Ordinance Issues**
- 5. Maintenance of Tree Canopy**
- 6. New Business**
 - Neighborhood plants/Tree Bank
 - Arbor Day application and day
 - Large ODNR grant
- 7. Old Business**
 - Tree talk by Xan (summer work study student)
 - Bylaws Discussion
- 8. Announcements & Other Business**
 - Next Meeting: October 12, 2023
- 9. Adjournment**

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**Shade Tree Commission
minutes
July 13, 2023 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers**

1. Establish quorum

Ben

2. Approval of May 9, 2023 Minutes

JD motioned, RMB 2nd. Approved

3. Title 33: Tree Permit, Right of Way Issues, Public Land
5 Ring Street Tree removal discussion

RMB visited, the tree is not unhealthy but is close to a structure. City suggests that the tree be removed at the owner's expense and the city will plant a tree, but on ROW. JD motioned, RMB 2nd, Approved

21 Elmwood tree removal permit update

Morris Ave ROW tree removal investigation update is stuck in the transition between police chiefs.

4. Title 37: Landscape Ordinance Issues

- Sonic Discussion concerning the requirements of when to consult the STC. There was some discussion of this but tabled any action for a while.

5. Maintenance of the Tree Canopy

- No tree canopy maintenance items

6. New Business

Discussion about the uptown improvement project and tree protection. STC will provide recommendations on tree species and such.

7. Old Business

Work Study Student update and presentation: Please see attached.

Report from RMB about Pollinator Pathways—*Rox can you fill this part?*

By-Laws Oops

Calendar

Need a day for Arbor plantings. CF will contact Andrew about dates.

8. Opportunity for citizens to speak on items not covered on the agenda.

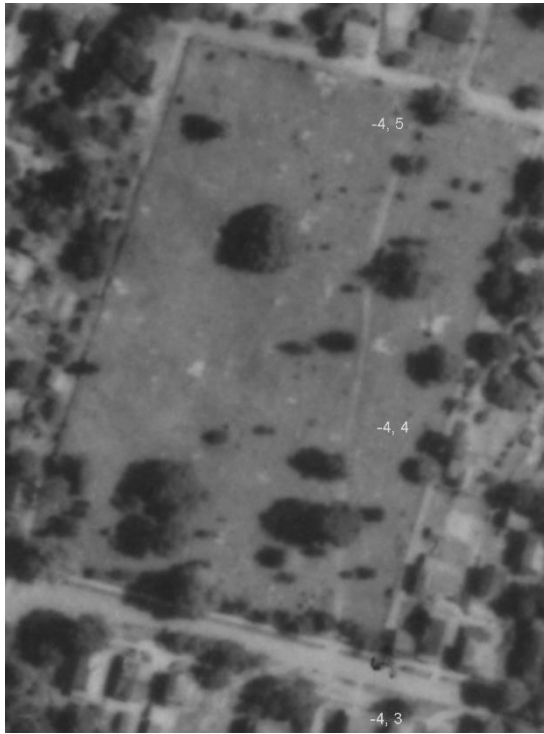
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9. Adjournment JD motioned RMB 2nd, all in favor.

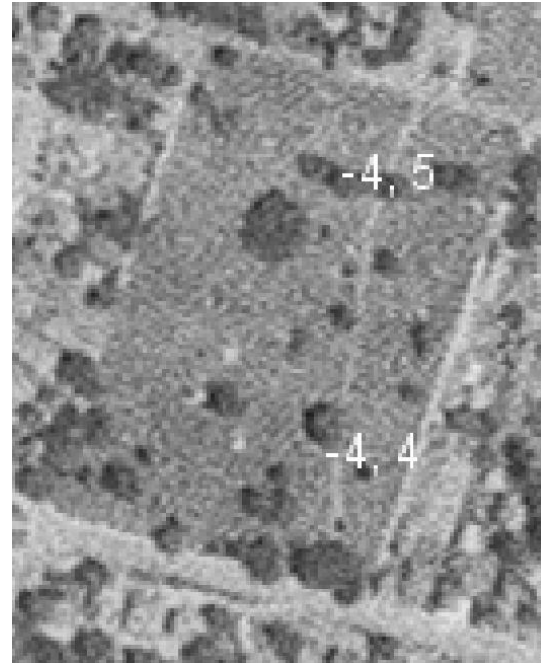
Note the next meeting is canceled. We will meet September 14, 2023.

Athens Citywide Arboretum

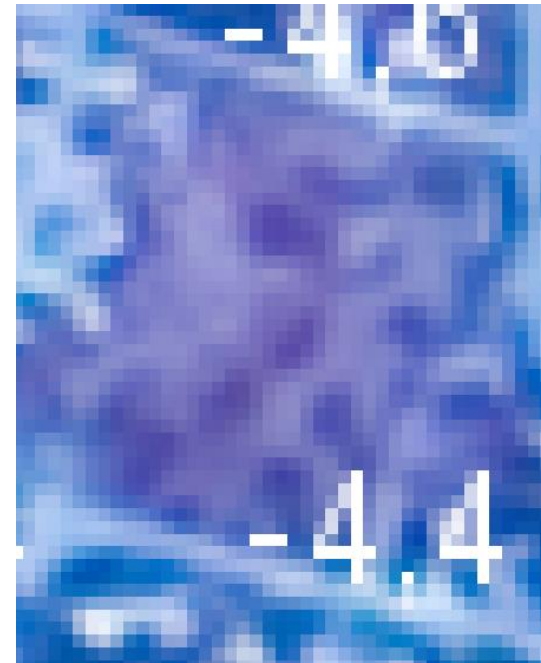
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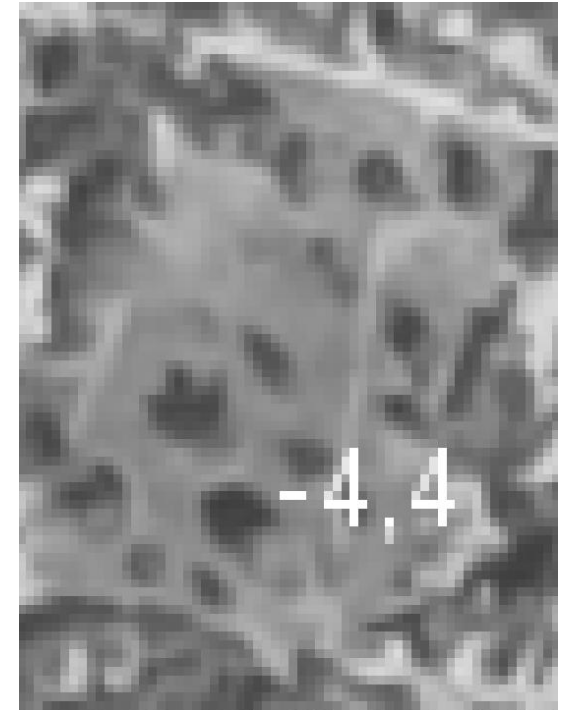
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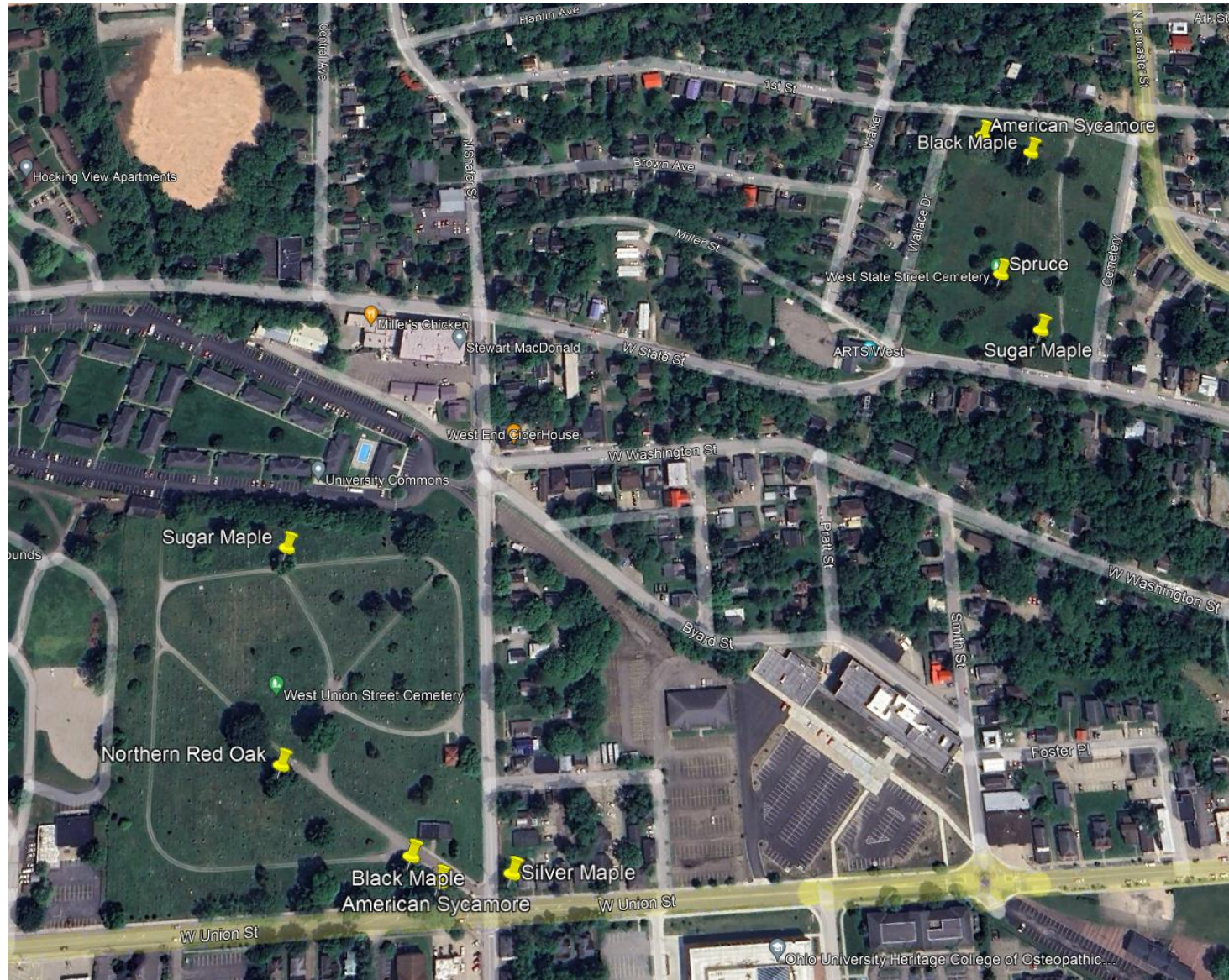
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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
	Latitude	Longitude	Area	Common Name	Species	Approximate Age	Circumference (feet" inches)	Health	Additional Notes
1	39°19'47.10 N	82°06'40.08 W	West Union Street Cemetary	American Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis	84+, visbile in 1939	15"1/2	Good	
2	39°19'49.76 N	82°06'43.82 W	West Union Street Cemetary	Nothern Red Oak	Quercus rubra	84+, visbile in 1939	14"2	Good	
3	39°19'54.18 N	82°06'43.34 W	West Union Street Cemetary	Sugar Maple	Acer saccharum	84+, visbile in 1939	10"1	Good. Covered with Ivy	Re-check in fall for color
4	39°19'47.66 N	82°06'40.72 W	West Union Street Cemetary	Black Maple	Acer nigrum	23+, visible in 2000	8"7	Good	A juniper is grown into it,
5	39°19'47.06 N	82°06'38.25 W	Intersection of W Union and S Shafer	Silver Maple	Acer saccharinum	43+, visible in 1960, maybe 1939	12"10	Pressure from road has distorted roots	
6	39°19'56.38 N	82°06'22.33 W	West State Street Cemetary	Sugar Maple	Acer saccharum	43+, visible in 1960, maybe 1939	10"9	Good	
7	39°19'57.85 N	82°06'23.01 W	West State Street Cemetary	Norway or Red Spruce	Picea abies or Picea ru	84+, visible in 1939	9"2	Good, covered with Ivy	Double check in fall for sp
8	39°20'0.58 N	82°06'21.43 W	West State Street Cemetary	Black Maple	Acer nigrum	43-84, visible in 1960 but not 1939	9"3	Good	
9	39°20'1.18 N	82°06'22.66 W	West State Street Cemetary	American Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis	84+, visible in 1939	10"11	Good	

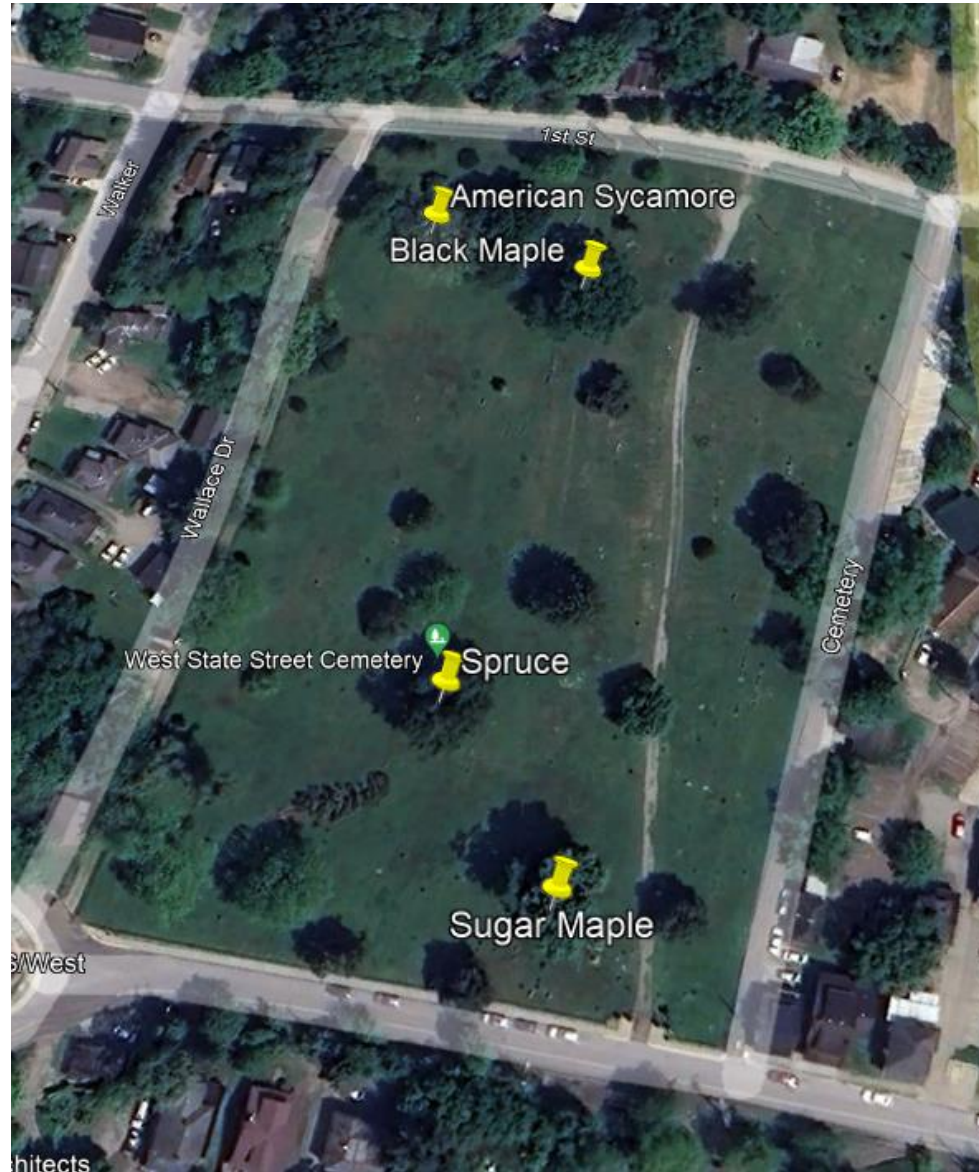
Document Notes:

- . This excel worksheet is a template to use for geotagging trees.
- . Mark the coordinates of the tree down to the most specific point you can get - this will be upwards of 5 decimal points
 - . Put these coordinates in the "X" and "Y" columns.
 - . "X" for latitude and "Y" for longitude
- . The "Area" column will specify what region of Athens you are working in. This may be replaced by coloration for simplicity
- . Note the tree's species and any comments about the tree's health
- . Measure the circumference of the trunk of the tree at chest height (about 4-5 feet off the ground)
- . Using satellite imagery, give a rough estimate of the tree's age
 - . For example, if a tree was present in 1983 photos but not 1963 photos, we would know it is anywhere from 40-60 years old
- . Note any other things, such as difficulty identifying a species for later review
- . Use the Google Earth Pro file to create placemarks for the trees that are surveyed. This can later be used to create a





West Union Street Cemetery



West State Street Cemetery