



## MUNICIPAL BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

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**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, MEETINGS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC VIA ZOOM**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2020**

**1:30 P.M.**

**\*Join via internet: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86290766772?pwd=a21JRzNiV05BNjVqRXBOMkQvakozUT09>**

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**Webinar ID: 862 9076 6772**

### **AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES SEPTEMBER 1, 2020
2. TREASURER'S REPORT
3. TREE REMOVAL REQUEST, 3803-3805 STAUNTON AVE, DAVID SIMMS
4. RUFFNER PARK PROGRESS
5. PUBLIC ARTS REPORT- JEFF PIERSON
6. WAYFINDING REPORT
7. DIRECTORS REPORT
8. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS
9. ADJOURNMENT



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| Date/Place:      | Tuesday, September 1, 2020<br>Meeting held at Ruffner Park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Members Present  | Marlene Dial<br>Tim Forren<br>Donna Graham<br>Bobbi Holland<br>Otis Laury<br>Amy McLaughlin<br>Bruce Severino<br>Tom Vasale                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Members Absent   | Sarah DeBarr (not excused)<br>Lynne Sandy (excused)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Staff and Guests | Kevin Baker, City Attorney<br>Lori Brannon, City Planner<br>Mike Davis, City of Charleston, Public Grounds Director<br>Mary Beth Hoover, City Council Representative<br>Jackie Lilly, Interested neighbor<br>Carl Maxwell, The Living AIDS Memorial Garden<br>Billie Joe Peyton, Landmark Historian<br>Jeff Pierson, Charleston Public Art Director<br>Brent Webster, Director of Public Works |

The only official business conducted was the acceptance of the proposal for a sculpture to be placed in the Living Aids Memorial Garden.

Without a motion, we agreed to delay releasing the request for proposal until the Historic Landmarks Commission completes its work surveying the park and using non-invasive means of detecting things buried there. Apparently, when it was

converted to a City park, the gravestones were laid flat and covered with soil. There is no desire to do any excavation nor to raise the stones but, once we have an idea of what is there, it will be allowed to impact the redesign.

Where the confederate plaque used to be on the monument will be a plaque that interprets the site and commemorates its history.

**NOTE: If anyone has additions to this list—or the Minutes—  
please comment on this post.**