



BOROUGH OF HATBORO

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AGENDA

*Shade Tree Commission
Wednesday, August 20, 2025*

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment (Agenda Items Only)**
4. **Welcome and Announcements**
5. **Secretary's Report**
6. **Approval of Minutes**
Motion: Motion to approve the July 17, 2025 Shade Tree Commission Minutes.
7. **Old Business**
 - a. **Heritage Tree Ordinance**
Motion: Motion to approve the draft Heritage Tree Ordinance (HTO) for the Borough of Hatboro and recommend Borough Council approve the Ordinance with the following updates:
 - i. Hatboro Heritage Tree definition: dbh of 30 inches, age of 75 years or more, plus an option to preserve a tree that is large for its species, rarity or otherwise important.
 - ii. An option for Groups of trees would also be considered for preservation under the above parameters.
 - iii. An option for Specific tree (or group of trees) review, and case by case determination by the Shade Tree Commission for inclusion or exclusion – including whether a designation of “Heritage Tree” enacts a “hardship” on property owner.
 - iv. Areas to be under the HTO include all shade trees within a Borough designated.
 - v. Right-of-Way, all trees within public parks and community areas.
 - vi. HTO will be administered through the STC under the guidance of Hatboro Borough.
 - vii. Inclusion of an adoption of a Heritage Tree Nomination form for residents with approval of designation by Shade Tree Commission.
 - b. **Shade Tree Commission Informational Flyer Update**
 - c. **Shade Tree Commission Mulch Flyer Update**
 - d. **York Road Tree Survey Update**
8. **New Business**

a. **Creation of Shade Tree Public Presentation for Borough Council**

Motion: Motion to create and present Shade Tree PowerPoint presentation to Borough Council and residents, Business owners for Sept Borough Council meeting.

b. **Memorial Park Shade Tree Permits**

Motion: Motion to approve to approve the Shade Tree Permit authorizing the removal of the white ash Shade Tree in Memorial Park behind 115 Broad Street.

Motion: Motion to approve to approve the Shade Tree Permit authorizing the removal of the silver maple Shade Tree in Memorial Park behind 109 Broad Street.

9. Public Comment

10. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 7 PM

11. Adjournment