

## MISSION OF THE COMMITTEE

To provide a forum for discussion of ideas, concepts, and methods to preserve trees and protect the tree canopy,

To make recommendations to County Council to encourage the preservation and replacement of trees which may be lost in the process of residential and commercial real estate development and to propose minimum standards for Council to consider, and

To provide educational and other useful information about historic and significant specimen trees and tree categories and to encourage people to preserve and nurture trees so classified.

## COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Feb 3, 16

March 2, 16, 30

April 13, 27

May 11, 25

June 8, 22

July 6, 20

August 3, 17, 31

September 14, 28

October 12, 26

November 9

Meetings are held at 8:00 a.m. in Conference Room B at Greenville County Square

**All Meetings are Open to the Public**

## PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

**March 30, 6:30 p.m.**  
Travelers Rest City Hall

**April 27, 6:30 p.m.**  
Greenville Tech Greer Campus

**May 11, 6:30 p.m.**  
Location TBA

**May 25, 6:30 p.m.**  
Location TBA

**June 8, 6:30 p.m.**  
County Council Chambers

# Keeping the GREEN in GREENville

March 27, 2006

## Greenville County Tree Policy Advisory Committee Begins its Work

The fourth regular Committee meeting was held on March 16 and was the first of several to which representatives of diverse organizations and groups have been invited to speak to the Committee and share their perspectives about tree protection in Greenville County. The first two speakers were Paul Dulin of the South Carolina Forestry Commission and Bucky Tarleton, President of the Greater Greenville Association of Realtors.

Mr. Dulin discussed the history of Greenville County's timber resources, stating that virtually all of the county's trees were harvested around 1900 and

that the practice of clearcutting began when the pulpwood industry got its start.. He said the majority of the trees we see today are third generation growth.



Mr. Tarleton commented that trees add value to property in neighborhoods and commercial developments. He suggested that incentives be provided to save big trees and that native species should be used whenever possible when replacing trees.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 30. The Committee will hear from Brad Wyche, Executive Director of Upstate Forever; Ann Friedel, President of the Greater Greenville Master Gardeners; and Dan Trout, Executive Director of Friends of the Reedy River.

The public is also encouraged to share their concerns and ideas with the Committee. Please plan to attend one or more of the regular meetings and public hearings (see sidebar).

**It is critically important for the Committee members to hear your point of view. Please attend a meeting!**

**First Public Hearing — March 30 at 6:30 pm — Travelers Rest City Hall**

## Tree Advisory Committee Members

### Diane Eldridge

Conservation Planning Consultant, at-large appointee by Council Chair

### Sandra Hamann

Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, PSPD Committee appointee

### C. Doug Harper

Commercial Developer, Council Chair appointee

### David Holmes, Chair

Attorney, at-large appointee by Council Chair

### Kim Kauffman

Landscape Architect, Advisory Committee appointee

### Tom Keith

Landscape Architect, PSPD Committee appointee

### Dan Rawls

Greenville County Planning Commissioner, PSPD Committee appointee

### Gordon Seay

Greenville Association of Realtors, PSPD Committee appointee

### Coleman Shouse

Home Builders Association of Greenville, PSPD Committee appointee

### Steven Smith

Forester, PSPD Committee appointee

### Todd Ward

Greenville County Planning Commission staff, PSPD appointee

### Jimmy Forbes

Director of Greenville County Planning Commission, non-voting facilitator

**LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!**

**Attend a meeting**

**Send comments to the Committee via [diane.eldridge@charter.net](mailto:diane.eldridge@charter.net)**