



The NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation/Urban and Community Forestry Division is hosting a recognition event to celebrate the urban forestry achievement of communities, colleges/universities and utilities in New York State.

The Mount Vernon Tree Advisory Board is pleased to inform you that — ***it is our community that has been selected*** — to present the evolving story of our advocacy on behalf of our city's invaluable tree assets and our efforts to overcome existing environmental inequities.

The program will be held via WebEx on

***Thursday, March 17, from 10 am to 11:30 am***

Tune in and be proud of Mount Vernon's achievements.

[You may register for this free event here.](#)

## 2021 TREE CITY, CAMPUS, AND LINE CELEBRATION

### 10:00 AM — Welcomes

**Gloria Van Duyne**, Program Coordinator, Urban and Community Forestry, NYSDEC  
**Rob Davies**, State Forester, Division of Lands and Forests, NYSDEC

### 10:15 AM — Tree Campus Presentation

**Alex French**, Assistant Director of Sustainability, Clarkson University

Commitment to the Tree Campus program has led to significant progress for several goals established by Clarkson's Tree Committee. Some recent activities include a forest inventory using iTree that involved over 100 students, dozens of students volunteering to rewild sections of campus, and the establishment of a shared governance approach to managing both the Clarkson forest and Clarkson's ornamental landscaping. This presentation will highlight several ways the Tree Campus program has been leveraged to improve Clarkson's campus and engage students.

### 10:35 AM — Tree Line Presentation

**Allison Kleinberger**, Utility Forester, Orange and Rockland Utilities

Utilities are responsible for reliably providing electricity to our homes and businesses. Maintaining clearance around power lines is essential to minimizing power outages. Learn how ORU works with communities to protect electricity distribution while supporting good urban forestry practices.

10:55 AM — Break

### 11:00 AM — Tree City Presentation

**Eveline Feldmann**, Chair, City of Mount Vernon Tree Advisory Board

After being absent from the program for many years, Mount Vernon community members led the efforts to reattain Tree City status and pass a new tree ordinance in 2020. With the formation of their Tree Advisory Board in 2021, the city's tree programs continue to gain momentum as relationships develop between community organizations.

### 11:20 AM — NYS Urban Forestry Council

11:25 AM — Closing Remarks



## CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

One Roosevelt Square  
Mount Vernon, NY 10550  
(914) 665-2352 · FAX (914) 668-6044

### Tree Advisory Board (TAB)

#### AGENDA

A regular meeting of the City Tree Advisory Board will be held on  
**Thursday, March 17th, 2022, at 4:00 PM**  
via ZOOM (<https://zoom.us/>) and facebook livestream

Please see the City's Website ([www.cmvny.com](http://www.cmvny.com)) for "ZOOM" Instructions:  
Meeting ID: 898 8879 9022 Passcode: 923389 Dial In: (929) 436 2866

at which time the Board shall consider the following:

Approval of Minutes:

- March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Reflections on NYS DEC Tree City Presentation

Arborist Report

Arbor Day 2022 Planning:

- Planting location and next steps/site visits

Implementation of the tree ordinance (TO):

- Reporting Categories
- TO Modification

Land-use:

- 645 N MacQuesten Pkwy
- 1 Millington St

Announcements:

- Next regular TAB meeting, April 7<sup>th</sup> 4 p.m.
- Community Tree Planting, Arbor Day 2022, Sat. April 30<sup>th</sup>

- 
- Stewardship for Resilience NYS DEC ReLeaf Workshop March 25<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m.
  - Pitch-In for Parks, Volunteer event, Willson's Woods, Wed. April 20<sup>th</sup> 3 p.m.