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City of Camas Planning Commission 616 NE 4th Ave Camas, WA 98607

RE: Proposed Tree Ordinance

The Camas-Washougal Economic Development Association (CWEDA) was just made aware of the hearing before Camas' Planning Commission regarding the proposed Tree Ordinance. While CWEDA was made aware City Staff was developing a proposed Tree Ordinance, no proposed draft language has been supplied to CWEDA for it perspective on impacts to expanding businesses, limitations on attracting new employers, or impacts to developable employment lands. While the President of CWEDA was asked and accepted to participate on the Urban Tree Program Ad Hoc Committee, CWEDA was not kept apprised of committee meeting dates, and therefore not afforded an opportunity to provide early input. CWEDA has no opinion to offer for your hearing on May 15, 2018, but asks that the hearing be continued so that CWEDA can properly evaluate the potential effects to Camas' employers and employment lands.

Sincerely,

Paul Dennis
President/CEO