

Legislation Text

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Urban Tree Program and the Department of Natural Resources Interagency Agreement Details: In June, the City adopted a revised Comprehensive Plan, Camas 2035. Through the process of updating the comprehensive plan, citizens were vocal about their desire for improvement to the City's tree preservation regulations. In response, the City applied for and was awarded a grant from the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources to develop an Urban Tree Program (Agreement #IAA 16-338). The grant period runs until May 31, 2017, and is a 50% cost share with the City.

An initial work plan to develop the Urban Tree Program was developed by staff and is attached. It is expected that the project will include the following work: current zoning diagnosis; review of comprehensive plan to ensure the new codes will be consistent; drafting a tree ordinance, including graphics; updating the Design Standards Manual (or creating a Tree Manual); and creating outreach materials. The consultant will create outreach materials that will increase the public's knowledge of tree care and the new ordinance.

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Recommended Action: Staff requests Council's direction on the initial work plan and for recruitment of the ad hoc committee.