
City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation
FROM: Dr. Jessie Farris, Urban Forester
MEETING: October 5, 2026

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding updates from the Forestry Division. (*Staff Contact: Dr. Jessie Farris, Urban Forester*)

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AND GOAL(S):

Strategic Priority	Strategic Goal
 Great Place to Live Through Expanded Quality of Life Amenities	4.1 Provide high-quality parks 4.2 Provide high-quality recreation opportunities, events and facilities for residents 4.3 Provide outstanding cultural, educational and entertainment opportunities

SUMMARY:

Staff will present an update on the City's Forestry Division and highlight key initiatives and accomplishments since the program was established in 2026. The presentation will provide an overview of urban forest management efforts, including tree inventory and assessment, grant-funded planting projects, pest and disease monitoring, community education and engagement, and long-term urban forestry planning.

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

Received an initial report of Forestry updates from March 2, 2026 council meeting.

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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