Tree Mitigation Fund Workshop

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Fee-In-Lieu of Replacement Trees

- City Council approved an updated Subdivision/Land Development Regulation Fees which includes a Fee-In-Lieu of Replacement Trees.

- Fee-In-Lieu allows developers to mitigate Protected and Heritage Trees by payment of a fee.

- Funds may be used for a specific purpose or goal.

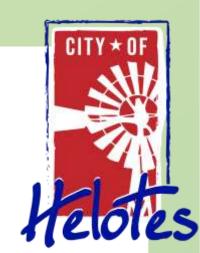| FEE-IN-LIEU SCHEDULE	
Tree Type	Per Circumference Inch
Heritage (24" and larger diameter)	$200
Protected (9-24" diameter)	$100

City of Boerne
Tree Restoration Fund

Funds the Oak Wilt Incentive Program

- Offers financial assistance to Boerne residents for removal and/or treatment of oak trees

- 2 incentives (up to $1,500 each, combined up to $3,000 annually)
  - Removal
  - Treatment

- Assistance in the form of reimbursement

Other Tree and Environmental Related Activities include but not limited to:

- Storm Damage

- Tree Removal / Planting

- Landscape Restoration

- Riparian Habitat Improvement

- Stream Bank Restoration

- Protection and Restoration of environmentally sensitive areas

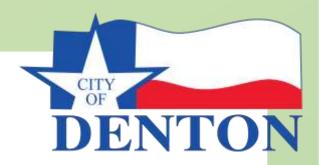# City of Helotes
Tree Mitigation and Restoration Fund

- Funds Oak Wilt Mitigation Program

  - Properties may receive a one-time reimbursement of half the total cost (up to $500) for removal, trenching, or therapeutic treatment and/or for planting new trees that are not susceptible to oak wilt

City of West University Place
West University Tree Trust

- Funds tree planting for residents
  - Residents may apply for a tree to be planted in the public realm adjacent to their property (Street ROW or Front/Corner side building setback)
  - Trees given are 30-gallon containers. Each tree is planted, staked, mulched, and fertilized by the city. After planting, the maintenance is the responsibility of the applicant.

City of Denton
Tree Mitigation Fund

- Funds used for 3 separate purposes:
  - Tree Preservation
    - Planting trees within the parks and medians throughout the City. Primarily in areas that benefit the community.
  - Tree Rebates
    - Rebate for purchasing a qualifying tree to be planted by the property owner
  - Tree Initiative Programs
    - Various programs for private tree planting and tree giveaways

Possible Options

Option 1
Oak Wilt Program

Use funds for establishing an oak wilt program:

- Offer financial reimbursement for treatment and/or removal
- caps at $500-$1000 per property annually

Option 2
Tree/Landscaping

Use funds for landscaping and tree planting:

- Landscaping and planting for Fair Oaks Parkway, the City Campus, and other Public land
- Host Free Tree giveaways

Option 3
Tree Preservation

Use funds for multiple tree/landscaping functions:

- Oak Wilt
- Landscaping
- Tree Planting
- Tree Giveaways

Option 4
Multiple Uses

Funds to be used at the discretion of City Council and/or City Manager for multiple uses:

- Options 1,2, 3
- Drainage Improvements
- Conservation Easements
- Other City projects or events
- etc.

Staff Recommendation
Option 4: Multiple Uses

- Oak Wilt Program
  - Financial assistance for treatment and removal
  - Set maximum per property annually
  - In the form of reimbursement
- Landscaping, planting, and maintenance
- Host Free Tree / Plant Giveaways or other city events
- City Projects including but not limited to capital improvements, drainage and erosion control improvements, or storm clean-up

Questions?