

Town of Johnstown

TREE BOARD COMMUNICATION

AGENDA DATE: November 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of the Town of Johnstown Tree City USA Application

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Tree City USA Application

PRESENTED BY: Matt LeCerf, Town Manager

WORKSESSION ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Enclosed for your review and approval is the Town of Johnstown's Tree City USA application. Staff completed the application which demonstrates the Town's commitment to the environment by meeting the four standards required for recognition:

- 1. Maintaining a tree board or department
- 2. Having a community tree ordinance
- 3. Spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry
- 4. Celebrating Arbor Day.

Tree City USA Communities focus on urban forests with advantages like helping to absorb carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, mitigating the effects of climate change, helping to absorb sounds of traffic, reducing energy costs up to 25% by shading buildings and protecting them from winter winds, and increasing home property values. Green space also plays a major role in improving mental and physical health.

With your approval, we will submit this application to the Colorado State Forester.

Reviewed and Approved for Presentation,

Town Manager

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