

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: October 21, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Community Sustainability

TITLE:

Ordinance No. 2025-17 - First Reading – amending Chapter 23, Article 6, Section 23.6-1(p) “Penalties for tree abuse and removal without a permit”

SUMMARY:

The subject amendment to the City’s Land Development Regulations (LDRs) will clarify penalties for tree abuse and/or removal of a tree without proper permits.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The proposed LDR Amendments will modify Article 6, Section 23.6-1(p) to clarify the calculation of the penalty for tree abuse/removal without a permit, timing for payment of the penalty, and requirements for mitigation through a restoration plan or replacement of the tree(s).

The **Planning & Zoning Board (PZB)** unanimously voted to recommend approval of the proposed text amendment at their meeting on October 1, 2025.

The **Historic Resources Preservation Board (HRPB)** voted (4-1) to recommend approval of the proposed text amendment at their meeting on October 8, 2025.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Ordinance 2025-17 on first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing for November 4, 2025.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Ordinance 2025-17
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