

ORDINANCE NO. 90-12 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, CREATING A CITY TREE BOARD TO SERVE IN A PLANNING AND ADVISORY CAPACITY WITH QUALIFIED CITY EMPLOYEES OR COMMERCIAL CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBLE TO OVERSEE THE WRITING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ANNUAL PLAN FOR PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE OF CITY TREES; SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; CONFLICTING ORDINANCES REPEALED; CODIFICATION CLAUSE; EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Lake Worth wishes to encourage citizen participation in the beautification of our community; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to apply to the National Arbor Foundation for designation as a "Tree City USA" City in an effort to promote its beautification goals; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the application criteria for the Tree City USA designation, the City is required to establish an official City Tree Board to oversee writing and implementation of an annual work plan for planting and maintenance of City trees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. Chapter 2, Article IX, of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created to read as follows:

Chapter 2

ADMINISTRATION

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ARTICLE IX. CITY TREE BOARD

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Sec. 2-82. Creation; Advisory function.

There is hereby created and established an official city tree board to serve in a planning and advisory capacity together with qualified city employees or commercial contractors to oversee the writing and implementation of an annual work plan to address all aspects of the planting and maintenance of city trees, including, but not limited to, recommendations on dead and hazardous tree removal, safety and fine pruning, planting, watering and fertilizing, insect and disease control and related long-term planning and prioritizing.

Sec. 2-83. Members, terms and vacancies.

The official city tree board shall be composed of ten (10) volunteer members-at-large, appointed by the city commission, to serve in that capacity unless and until he or she is removed from office pursuant to law or a vacancy otherwise occurs, in which case said vacancy shall be filled by the city commission. The board shall elect its own chairman and vice chairman annually at the first meeting in January.

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Section 2. If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Section 1 of this Ordinance shall be codified.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after passage.

The passage of this Ordinance on first reading was moved by Commissioner Coonerty, seconded by Commissioner Wright, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Ronald E. Exline	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner C. L. Clarke	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Michael Coonerty	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Charles Wright	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Monte A. Mohr	<u>AYE</u>

The Mayor thereupon declared this Ordinance duly passed on first reading this 5th day of March, 1990.

The passage of this Ordinance on second reading was moved by Commissioner Coonerty, seconded by Commissioner Wright, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Ronald E. Exline	<u>NOT PRESENT</u>
Vice Mayor C. L. Clarke	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Michael Coonerty	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Charles Wright	<u>AYE</u>
Commissioner Monte A. Mohr	<u>AYE</u>

The Mayor thereupon declared this Ordinance duly passed and enacted this 19th day of March, 1990.

LAKE WORTH CITY COMMISSION

By: Ronald E. Exline
Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara C. [Signature]
City Clerk

Submitted: 3/5/90

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