



**MEETING DATE:** June 12, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Tree Protection Ordinance

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## **BACKGROUND**

Staff is working with a consulting firm to provide technical and policy recommendations to inform the update of the City's Tree Protection Ordinance and Street Tree Planting List and to create a Private Tree Planting List for replacement trees.

The consultant provided a Draft Preliminary Tree List, including recommendations for Street Trees and Private Replacement Trees, on March 14, 2023. Staff distributed the List to other City Departments and the Environmental Commission Subcommittee for review and comment. Staff compiled the feedback and comments and provided them to the consultant.

## **STATUS UPDATE**

The consultant provided preliminary policy recommendations on May 12, 2023. Staff met with the consultant on June 1, 2023, to review outstanding questions regarding the tree lists and policy recommendations. Staff is currently updating their recommendations with regard to the tree protection ordinance.

Staff will present updated recommendations to the Environmental Commission Subcommittee on June 16, 2023. Staff will incorporate feedback from the Subcommittee and will bring recommendations to the Environmental Commission during the July or August meeting, pending direction from the Council regarding the frequency of Commission meetings.