



# REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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**Title:** Request for Council Action - Park and Tree Committee Appointment

**Preferred Agenda:** May 26, 2020

**Submitted By:** Julie Fisher, Administrative Assistant

**Reviewed By:** Ray Towry, City Manager

**Type of Action:** Resolution \_\_\_\_ Motion x Roll Call \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_

**Relevant Code/Policy:** [Sweet Home City Charter](#)

**Towards Council Goal:** #2 Develop transparency in all communication  
Efficient and Effective local government

**Attachments:** Application for Board, Committees and Commissions (Northern)

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**Purpose of this RCA:**

Appointment to the Park and Tree Commission.

**Background/Context:**

Debra Sue Northern has served one full term on the Park and Tree Committee. Her term has expired, and she is seeking reappointment. The Administration, Finance, and Property Committee conducted interviews on May 12, 2020. They unanimously recommended that Mrs. Northern be appointed to the Park and Tree Committee for a four-year term.

**The Challenge/Problem:**

Vacancy on the Park and Tree Committee.

**Stakeholders:**

- City of Sweet Home Staff – Staff benefits by having full committees that provide direction and recommendations that are consistent with law.
- City of Sweet Home Management - Management is more effective and efficient with clear, updated, best practices for policy as recommended by committees.
- Sweet Home Residents – Residents and taxpayers essentially pay the price when policies lead to inefficient operations or practices.

**Issues and Financial Impacts:**

1. None Known

**Elements of a Stable Solution:**

Appoint committee members to vacancies who are willing to serve a full term and available for scheduled meetings of the committee.

**Options:**

1. Do Nothing
2. Seek Additional Applicants
3. Make a Motion to appoint Debra Sue Northern to the Sweet Home Park and Tree Committee for a four-year term to expire December 31, 2023.

**Recommendation:**

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