

City Council Meeting

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: February 17, 2025

Topic:

Consider appeal of Section 18-347-Buffer Zones of Article XI, Tree Preservation.

Background:

Mr. Jack Shoup with Investment & Development Ventures, LLC is requesting relief from the City of Tomball Tree Preservation provisions as it pertains to buffer zones.

Section 18-342 provides that the City Council shall consider appeals to the tree preservation provisions where an undue hardship exists. Section 18-347-Buffer Zones states that following:

For plats submitted after the effective date of this provision that are adjacent to existing properties zoned for residential uses that are not part of the new subdivision, a buffer zone is required in the new subdivision along the common boundary between the new subdivision and the existing residential zone. The buffer zone shall be established as a platted reserve restricted exclusively for trees and landscaping, being a strip not less than 18 feet deep running parallel and adjacent to the common boundary and not less than 15 feet deep behind the back line of any easement or series of abutting parallel easements along the common boundary. Outside of any existing or proposed easement within the buffer zone, all trees and underbrush within this buffer zone, if they exist, are subject to mandatory preservation.

Origination: Mr. Jack Shoup, Investment & Development Ventures, LLC

Recommendation:

Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda: Craig T. Meyers, P.E

FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)

Are funds specifically designated in the current budget for the full amount required for this purpose?

Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, specify Account Number: # _____

If no, funds will be transferred from account: # _____ To Account: # _____

Signed: _____ **Approved by:** _____
Staff Member Date City Manager Date