



COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Type: Council - Regular

Meeting Date: March 19, 2026

Agenda Item Type: Old Business

Staff Contact: Brandon Perkins, Town Manager

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM:

Approval of a tree species to replace the recently removed cedar tree at Veteran's Park.

BACKGROUND:

Council approved the removal of a dying cedar tree from Veteran's Park in late 2025 and asked staff to research and provide options for a replacement tree. As part of recent downtown planning activities, a landscape architect provided a list of recommended understory trees for use downtown. From that list, staff recommends the trident maple.

If you're unfamiliar, trident maples provide great fall colors, they are tolerant of partial shade, they handle heat well, and they're considered a manageable size for civic spaces.



FUNDING:

Cost to purchase is estimated to be \$300 to \$500. This will be coded to the Town's tree fund.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval to go forward with a Trident Maple for this replacement.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS:

October 2, 2025.