

Urban Forestry Ordinance Chapter 112 Proposed Revisions January 2025

Presented by:
Department of Public Works
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Overview

- Tree Canopy Study
 - 30% Canopy loss
- More than 100 Approved permits yearly
 - Replacement requirements not being met
 - Unable to enforce Ordinance
- Residents planting in ROW - wrong species/wrong place
- Low Board Membership interest



Summary of Changes

In 2019 The City Arborist began completing Tree Assessments solely and In 2021 The Tree Board began review of the entire Ordinance. Proposed changes are as follows:

- Reduction in Tree size requiring permit
- Update member term length and Roles / Responsibilities



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- Added option to pay fee in lieu of replanting
 - Determination at the time of application
- Prohibit planting in City ROW
- Solidified replace requirements
 - Added specifications for replacements



Questions

