

Planning Commission Item

October 7, 2025



Item	Heritage Tree Ordinance Discussion	
File No.		Item No: F.1
Agenda Section	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS</u>	
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Present Zoning		
Land Use		
Acerage		
Density		
Applicable Regulations		

SUGGESTED ACTION

No suggested action; general discussion only.

SUMMARY

The City Council discussed the potential for adding to the city's ordinances related to Heritage Trees. Following a presentation by staff at the September 22 City Council work session meeting, the staff were directed to draft an ordinance establishing a definition for "heritage tree," as well as requirements related to the removal and subsequent replacement of heritage trees if removed as part of a subdivision application.

Staff has prepared a first draft of that ordinance and has attached it to this case for general feedback from the Planning Commission.

BACKGROUND

The proposed ordinance would modify Chapter 18, subdivisions, and as a result, a public hearing is required to be held by the Planning Commission.

City staff anticipate a formal public hearing at the November 3 Planning Commission meeting following feedback from the Planning Commission on October 7 and from the Environmental Commission on October 8.

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION

No formal recommendation; general discussion only.

ATTACHMENTS

[Draft Ordinance XXX: Establishing Heritage Tree Definition and Regulations](#)