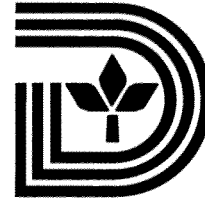


# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 7, 2014

TO Members of the Quality of Life Committee and Environment Committee:  
Dwayne Caraway (Chair), Sandy Greyson (Vice Chair), Adam Medrano, Rick Callahan, Carolyn Davis, Lee Kleinman

SUBJECT Landscape and Tree Preservation Development Code Amendment Initiation

The Quality of Life Committee was last briefed on the need to amend the Landscape and Tree Preservation ordinance by the Chairman of the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee in November of 2011. Over the last three years, City staff, including representatives from Sustainable Development and Construction, Parks, Dallas Water Utilities and Public Works, have been meeting in various forums with the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee and representatives from several stakeholder groups to discuss possible amendments to Article X, "Landscape and Tree Preservation," of the Development Code.

At this time, staff requests direction from the Quality of Life Committee to formally initiate the Development Code amendment process. The first step in this process would be to schedule the issue for discussion and public input at a committee of the City Plan Commission. This will also provide a venue to begin receiving additional public input from all interested parties. Finally, I'd like to note that initiation of this code amendment is included in the "Clean Healthy Environment" key focus area in the 2013-2014 Strategic Plan.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Theresa O'Donnell".

Theresa O'Donnell  
Interim Assistant City Manager

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