

## Article 6: Board and Commissions

### Division 5: Community Forest Advisory Board

(“*Tree Advisory Board*” added 1-11-1999 by O-18609 N.S.)  
(Retitled to “*Community Forest Advisory Board* on 11-12-2002 by O-19119 N.S.)

#### §26.0501 Purpose and Intent

It is the purpose and intent of the City Council to establish a Community Forest Advisory Board to serve in an advisory capacity to the Mayor and City Council on policy issues relating to urban forestry. The Board’s duties include suggesting mechanisms that establish and maintain a healthy urban forest for City residents and visitors.

(Amended 11-12-2002 by O-19119 N.S.)  
(Amended 9-17-2024 by O-21863 N.S.; effective 10-17-2024.)

#### §26.0502 Composition of the Community Forest Advisory Board

The Community Forest Advisory Board shall consist of thirteen members who shall serve without compensation. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The Mayor shall appoint nine members, one each from nominations submitted by each Councilmember to represent their district. Additionally, the Mayor shall appoint four members who shall be any of the following: a licensed landscape architect; a certified arborist; urban forester; a representative of the horticulturist/nursery industry; a representative from a non-profit organization involved with forestry as demonstrated in the organization’s articles of incorporation, or a governmental agency involved with forestry; or an artist. Members shall serve three-year terms and each member shall serve until a successor is duly appointed and confirmed. The members shall be appointed such that the terms of not more than five members shall expire in any year. The expiration date of all terms shall be December 31. On or after February 15 of each year, the Board shall select a Chair from among its members. Any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term of the member whose place becomes vacant. The Board shall adopt rules and procedures consistent with the law for the conduct of its responsibilities.

(Retitled from “*Tree Advisory Board Established*” to “*Community Forest Advisory Board Established*” and amended 11-12-2002 by O-19119 N.S.)

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(Retitled from “*Community Forest Advisory Board Established*” to “*Composition of the Community Forest Advisory Board*” and amended 9-17-2024 by O-21863 N.S.; effective 10-17-2024.)

## **§26.0503 Duties and Functions**

The Board shall:

- (a) Provide advice and recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on policy issues relating to urban forestry.
- (b) Advocate and formulate proactive urban forestry policies, ordinances, and guidelines.
- (c) Prepare a recommended comprehensive urban forestry master plan and conduct a tree inventory.
- (d) Review and comment on the coordination of urban forestry-related policies and programs.
- (e) Network with other boards, agencies, and community residents.
- (f) Act as a general information resource and promote volunteerism.
- (g) Review and comment on the implementation and compliance with urban forestry policies and programs.
- (h) Promote and seek funding for the establishment and sustaining of an urban forestry program.
- (i) Promote and foster a strong sense of community through urban forestry.

*(“Duties and Functions” added 1-11-1999 by O-18609 N.S.)*

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