

Legislation Details

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Title:	CITY OF LONGVIEW URBAN FORESTRY TREE INVENTORY REPORT				

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Enhance Public Safety & Emergency Response

Address Quality of Place

Preserve and Enhance Neighborhoods

Continue Effective Financial Management

Provide Sustainable Water Quality & Environmental Infrastructure

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: N/A

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The City of Longview's Urban Forestry Department oversees 17,000 park and street tree planting spaces and maintains a wide variety of native and exotic tree species. In February of 2018, the City contracted with Plan-It Geo to update the inventory of trees management the Urban Forestry Division. This inventory updated and indexed of the type, condition, size, location, health, and potential hazards for all individual trees in the parks and streetscape managed by the Department. The original inventory was completed in 1990.

The tree inventory will allow the division to:

- Prioritize maintenance schedules in order to reduce the potential liability that results from hazardous trees. It also streamlines the efficiency of the arborist crews and facilitates long-term budgeting.
- Educate residents about the benefits of a healthy, well-managed community forest, and to inform them about species best suited to the community.
- Facilitate the planning that is essential to the community's quality of life.
- Provide the basis for our comprehensive community forestry management plan.

The Tree Inventory Report is an executive summary snap shot of the urban forest on the day it was completed and provided to the city. The tree inventory, which has been incorporated into Lucity, will remain a flexible updated program using newly integrated technology allowing for internal adjustments. Our electronic tree inventory already includes steps we've taken to remedy the recommendations for removal and required maintenance provided by Plan-It Geo.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

No action required

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Attachments: 1. Longview WA Tree Inventory Summary Report Plan-It Geo 2018

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