

Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 29, 2002

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING CHAPTER 2.80 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE (DESIGN COMMISSION) REGARDING AN ADDITIONAL DUTY OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION AND CREATING THE URBAN FORESTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

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PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE:

The City Council directed preparation of this ordinance at its meeting of April 15, 2002, in conjunction with first reading of the City Trees and Tree Protection Ordinance ("Tree Protection Ordinance"), and, specifically, through the approval of staff recommendation number 5, which stated, "Direct the City Attorney to prepare an amendment to the Pasadena Municipal Code to add the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee as a subcommittee of the Design Commission."

To insure that the role envisioned for it in the Tree Protection Ordinance is carried out, the Design Commission is hereby given the explicit duty set forth in the Tree Protection Ordinance to review the master street tree plan and, in addition, the general duty to undertake any other reviews indicated in the Tree Protection Ordinance. In turn, the Design Commission is given the authority to delegate those duties to a subcommittee, the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee. The Urban Forestry Advisory Committee size and composition is specified by the proposed ordinance.

The Urban Forestry Advisory Committee would be composed of two Design Commissioners, two Recreation and Parks Commissioners and one Pasadena Beautiful Foundation member as required by the proposed ordinance. The establishment and operation of the Urban Forestry Advisory

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Committee would be through resolution of the Commission, just as the Code has provided that another committee be established by Design Commission resolution.

REASON WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

The duties and responsibilities of the Design Commission are established in the Pasadena Municipal Code and may only be amended by ordinance.

PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

The Design Commission, Department of Planning and Development and the Department of Public Works will be primarily affected by the proposed ordinance.

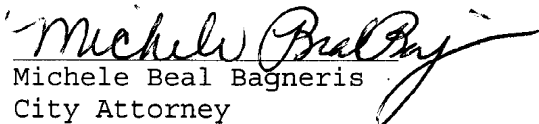
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The Environmental Administrator has determined that this proposed ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the "General Rule" section 15061 (b) (3) of the CEQA Guidelines. The "General Rule" states that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. If it can be seen with certainty that the project could not possibly have a significant effect or impact on the environment, the project is not subject to CEQA.

FISCAL IMPACT:


The Department of Public Works and Transportation has been serving as staff support to the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee and will continue this role. Sufficient funds are available in the current fiscal year 2002 operating budget to provide this support.

Respectfully submitted,

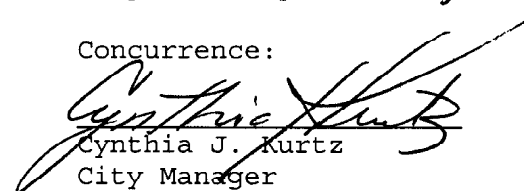

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Concurrence:


Cynthia J. Kurtz
City Manager

Introduced by Councilmember

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The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. A new Section 2.80.110(B)(11) of the Pasadena Municipal Code is added to read:

"2.80.110(B)

11. Review, advise and make recommendations to the city council relating to the city's master street tree plan and undertake such other reviews pertaining to public trees as are specified in the city trees and tree protection ordinance, section 8.52.050 of this code."

SECTION 2. A new section 2.80.135 of the Pasadena Municipal Code is added to read:

"2.80.135 Urban forestry advisory committee.

The purposes and functions of the urban forestry advisory committee are as follows: The design commission may delegate to the urban forestry advisory committee the reviews and recommendations with respect to street trees as are specified in section 2.80.110(B)(2) and (3), and the reviews specified in section 2.80.110(B)(11). The urban forestry advisory committee is a subcommittee of the design commission and shall be composed of two members of the design commission, two representatives of the recreation and parks commission, and one representative from the Pasadena Beautiful Foundation."

SECTION 3. Section 2.80.140 of said code is amended to read:

"2.80.140 Procedure for assignment to committees.

Procedures for assigning commission members to the committees, for convening and recognizing committees and for conducting design and other reviews and recommendations, shall be established by resolution of the commission. Procedures to implement the objectives of this chapter where not specified in Title 17 of this code shall be adopted by resolution of the commission."

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published in full text.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect upon its publication.

Signed and approved this day of _____, 2002.

Bill Bogaard
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by
the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held the ____
day of _____, 2002, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:


Absent:

Abstain:

Published:

Jane L. Rodriguez, C.M.C.
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: *4/24/02*



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