

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
July 19, 2016	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors
FROM: Jim Hossley, Director Public Works
THROUGH: Rodger Craddock, City Manager
ISSUE: Public Hearing – Consideration of Amending the Tree Board Ordinance

BACKGROUND:

On July 5, 2016, the Council directed staff to prepare a proposed amendment to the Tree Board Ordinance for the Council's future consideration. As noted at the July 5th meeting, the Council desired to be provided more flexibility in appointing additional qualified members to the Tree Board as we had more qualified applicants than open positions on the Board.

The current ordinance states that Tree Board shall consist of seven members and further defines the composition of the Tree Board. The Council has expressed an interest in appointing up to eight members on the Tree Board.

Staff has prepared the attached ordinance amending the existing Tree Board ordinance (Ordinance No. 181 which was previously amended by Ordinance No. 298 and 470). The proposed amendment is limited to the "Tree Board – Composition and Procedures section of the ordinance. All of the proposed changes are in legislative format to show the proposed additions and deletions to the existing ordinance. The proposed deletions are in bold type and **lined through** and proposed additions are in bold type and **double underlined**.

Tree board – Composition and Procedures

- (1) The Tree Board shall be appointed by the City Council and shall consist of **seven up to eight** members.
 - (a) One member of the Tree Board may be a member of the City Council.
 - (b) One member of the Tree Board shall also be a Parks Commissioner.
 - (c) At least one member of the Tree Board shall be a representative from the field of arboriculture, landscape architecture, or otherwise have a background and professional knowledge of trees and their care.
 - (d) One member of the Tree Board shall be designated by the Board of the Coos Bay Downtown Association.
 - (e) The balance of the Tree Board shall be citizens with an interest in trees.
 - (f) All members shall be City residents. Members residing outside the City, but who

own property within the City shall be considered to have such residential status. The Council may allow membership for one non-resident who possesses subject matter expertise needed by the Board.

ADVANTAGES:

Enactment of the ordinance allows the Council greater flexibility when appointing potential board members.

DISADVANTAGES:

None identified.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None expected.

ACTION REQUESTED:

If it pleases the City Council, enact the proposed ordinance amending Ordinance 181.

ATTACHMENTS:

Draft amending the Tree Board ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. ***

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 181, REGULATING CITY TREES AND THE TREE BOARD, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 470

The City of Coos Bay ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 4(1) is amended as follows:

Section 4(1). City Tree Board; Composition and Procedures

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The foregoing ordinance was enacted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay this 19th day of July 2016.

Yes:

No:

Absent:

Crystal Shoji
Mayor of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon

ATTEST:

Susanne Baker
Recorder of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon