

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ZONING / SUBDIVISIONS / LAND USE
AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Sami Real, Director, Department of Comprehensive Planning

Recommendation: AG-23-900405: Discuss the Tree Fund Policy resulting from the adoption of the rewrite of Title 30 on August 2, 2023, and direct staff accordingly. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

None by this action.

BACKGROUND:

On August 2, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopted the rewrite of Title 30 which included a new Fee-In-Lieu section, Section 30.04.01E.2, when a development is not able to satisfy all or part of the required landscaping. In preparation of implementing the rewrite of Title 30, which becomes effective January 1, 2024, the financial account for the tree fund has been established with the Department of Finance and it is further recommended:

- The fee-in-lieu only be applied to required street and parking lot trees when requested to be waived/reduced and when a significant tree is removed and mitigation cannot be provided;
- The Department of Real Property Management be the administrator of the tree fund;
- The per tree fee be \$915.00 based on estimates provided by the Department of Real Property Management;
- The per tree fee shall be adjusted annually on January 1st for inflation equal to the change in the Consumer Price Index (“CPI”), using the Consumer Price Index (CPI) US City Average, All Items, with a maximum adjustment of 5%;
- Fees shall be paid prior to a certificate of completion/occupancy or business license, whichever occurs first;
- Fees paid stay within the corresponding park district of the project which required the fee; and
- Fees shall only go towards planting of street or parking lot trees, or the planting of trees at another approved location, held by a governmental entity to aid in combating the effects of heat island.

Staff requests the board to discuss and direct staff accordingly.

Cleared For Agenda
09/06/23