

# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Community Development - BSD To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: June 5, 2017 Re: REPORT – Community Tree Task Force Report

#### **Executive Summary**

The Community Tree Task Force was formed under Resolution No. 32-15A and extended to April 3, 2017 via Resolution 39-16. Attached is a report prepared by the task force detailing its accomplishments and recommendations to Council.

#### Discussion

The Community Tree Task Force was formed to provide recommendations to homeowners for the care and management of trees, developing educational materials for tree care, review the City's current tree ordinances, recommending a methodology for decennial citywide tree inventories, and recommending whether an on-going tree commission should be established. The report details accomplishments and recommendations. Accomplishments include Task Force assistance on the review of the landscaping, screening, and tree preservation ordinances as part of the Unified Development Code adoption; initiation of an Urban Forest Master Plan, expected to be completed later this year; and communication and education activities.

There are three recommendations: 1) Creation of a city-wide tree inventory; 2) Oversight and support of the Urban Forest Master Plan; and 3) Creation of a permanent tree board.

#### Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None. Long-Term Impact: None.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

#### Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Environment, Secondary Impact: Education, Tertiary Impact: Development

#### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

#### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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## Legislative History

Date	Action
4/4/2016	Resolution 39-16 amending Resolution 32-15A
2/16/2015	Resolution 32-15A establishing a Community Tree Task Force

## Suggested Council Action

Acceptance of the report.