CHAPTER 28

TREE BOARD

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28.01 CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD. There is hereby created and established a City Tree Board for the City, which shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of whom shall be citizens and residents of the City, appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council. The remaining two members shall be the Park Superintendent, acting as Board Secretary, and the Director of Street and Utility Maintenance, both of whom shall serve ex officio, without a vote.

28.02 TERM OF OFFICE. The term of the five (5) persons to be appointed by the Mayor shall be three (3) years except that the term of one of the members appointed to the first board shall be for only one year and the term of two members of the first board shall be for two years. In the event that a vacancy shall occur during the term of any member, his or her successor shall be appointed by the Mayor for the unexpired portion of the term.

28.03 COMPENSATION. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation.

28.04 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Board shall act as an advisory committee to the Council and the Park Board. The Board shall have the responsibility to study, investigate, counsel, develop and update a written plan for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, removal or disposition of trees and shrubs in parks, along streets and in other public areas. Such plan will be presented to the Council and Park Board and upon their acceptance and approval shall constitute the official comprehensive City Tree Plan for the City. The City Tree Board shall consider, investigate, make findings, report and recommend upon any special matter or question coming within the scope of its work.

28.05 OPERATION. The Board shall choose its own officers, make its own rules and regulations and keep a journal of its proceedings. A majority of the members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.