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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 282999

ADOPTED ON NOV 15 1993

RESOLUTION AMENDING COUNCIL POLICY NO. 200-5 REGARDING PLANTING OF TREES ON CITY STREETS.

WHEREAS, Council Policy No. 200-5, Planting of Trees on City Property, was adopted by resolution in 1964 and amended in 1965, and there have been major revisions in the City's requirements for tree planting and other landscaping since then; and

WHEREAS, in October 1989, City Council adopted a Landscape Technical Manual that establishes landscape standards, guidelines, and criteria for both public and private projects necessary to implement the various requirements associated with land development in the City of San Diego, making portions of Council Policy No. 200-5 redundant; and

WHEREAS, as a result of changes in land development and in landscape policy that have occurred in the past twenty years, current Council Policy 200-5 is obsolete, and must be updated; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that Council Policy No. 200-5 entitled, "Planting of Trees on City Streets," be and it is hereby amended as set forth in the Council Policy filed in the office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 282999.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to add the aforesaid to the Council Policy Manual.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolutions No. R-179191 and No. R-185821, by which the current Council Policy No. 200-5 was implemented, are hereby rescinded.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

By

Mary Kay Jackson Deputy City Attorney

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PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for the planting and removal of trees from the street rights-of-way.

POLICY

A. General Policy

- 1. The primary purpose of a street tree planting shall be to improve the environment of the City as a whole.
- 2. It is the policy of the City to encourage the planting of additional and replacement trees in the street rights-of-way and to render such assistance as is feasible.
- 3. When funds are available for tree planting, it is the policy of the City to plant additional trees in the street rights-of-way and to replace trees that are removed in accordance with the City policy for the removal of trees from the street rights-of-way.

B. Operating Policy

- 1. Planting and Maintenance of Street Trees
 - a. The Park and Recreation Department shall specify or approve the species and locations of trees to be planted in the street rights-of-way in accordance with the standards and criteria in the City's Landscape Technical Manual.
 - b. No fees will be charged by the Park and Recreation Department for permits for street tree planting.
 - c. After planting of a tree in the street right-of-way, the owner of the adjacent property shall be responsible for watering and fertilizing unless an assessment district has been formed to provide the required landscape maintenance.
 - d. The Park and Recreation Department shall be responsible for trimming street trees as required for public safety unless an assessment district has been formed to provide the required landscape maintenance.

2. Removal of Street Trees

a. Street trees shall be removed at <u>public</u> expense if they meet any one one of the following criteria:

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- (1) The Tree is dead.
- (2) The tree is a hazard.
- (3) The tree is damaging <u>public</u> improvements, the damage cannot be <u>permanently</u> corrected by trimming or root pruning, the owner of the fronting property requests removal, and the tree is not part of a uniform tree planting or a significant neighborhood asset.
- b. A no-fee permit to remove a street tree at <u>private</u> expense shall be issued if both of these criteria are met:
 - (1) The owner of a fronting property requests the permit.
 - (2) The tree is not part of a uniform street tree planting or a significant neighborhood asset.

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