

TREE PLANTING TO CAPTURE CARBON

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WHEREAS at the 2020 02 24 City Council meeting, Council received reports on a revised Community Development Fund as well as on the Community's Greenhouse Gas Inventory; and

WHEREAS part of the Community Development Fund consists of monies previously allocated to the Green Committee and the framework for the Community Development Fund still seeks submissions for environmental initiatives; and

WHEREAS City Council has endorsed the need to reduce greenhouse gases in the community as a strategy to fight climate change; and

WHEREAS planting trees is widely considered a simple and effective way of reducing the effects of greenhouse gases:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT for the remainder of this term of City Council, any amount of the \$50,000 allocated in the Community Development Fund to environmental initiatives not used in a given budget year go toward the purchase of trees in the subsequent year, which trees should be planted in City parks or on City property by Public Works employees.