

ORDINANCE NO. 384

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.24 WMC; MODIFYING THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR TREE BOARD MEMBERSHIP TO INCLUDE TREE AND/OR PLANT INDUSTRY EMPLOYEES; EXPANDING THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE TREE BOARD ELIGIBILITY AREA TO INCLUDE ALL WOODINVILLE POTENTIAL ANNEXATION AREA; MAKING NON-RESIDENT TREE BOARD MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS; ALLOWING TREE BOARD MEMBERS TO SERVE THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Woodinville Tree Board was established for the purpose of ensuring quality care of trees and other vegetation within the City's jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to revise the Tree Board membership eligibility criteria codified under WMC 2.24.020 in order to include residents, business owners and employees of all Woodinville Potential Annexation Area and tree and/or plant industry employees; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend Tree Board eligibility criteria to make non-resident Tree Board members ex-officio members of the Tree Board; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allow Tree Board members the ability to serve three consecutive three year terms on the Tree Board; and

WHEREAS, said amendment will enhance the City's ability to attract qualified candidates for the Tree Board, NOW THEREFORE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of WMC 2.24.020. Section 2.24.020 of the Woodinville Municipal Code is hereby amended to provide in its entirety as follows:

2.24.020 Creation and establishment of a City Tree Board.

There is hereby created and established a City Tree Board for the City of Woodinville, Washington. The Tree Board shall be made up of five members as follows:

- (1) The Board shall be comprised of residents, employees, and business owners of the City and the Woodinville community located in the Tree Board eligibility area as depicted on Figure 1-1. The Tree Board eligibility area is generally described as the City of Woodinville and a portion of the City of Woodinville planning area limited to the Woodinville

community of unincorporated King County east of the City's westerly boundary to Avondale Road and north of NE 124th Street, and all Potential Annexation Area shown in the Comprehensive Plan;

- (2) There shall be at least one business owner and three residents on the Board;
- (3) At least two members of the Board must be a tree and/or plant industry professional;
- (4) No more than two residents or business owners outside the City limits may serve on the Board at any given time;
- (5) Priority shall be given to City residents for appointment consideration.
- (6) One of the non-resident members may be an employee who works within the Woodinville community in the tree and/or plant industry.

The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. Non-residents appointed after the effective date of this ordinance shall serve as ex-officio members of the Tree Board, except those non-residents living in areas with pre-annexation agreements with the City of Woodinville enacted by the City Council shall have full voting rights on the Tree Board; and provided that members appointed before April 1, 2005 may serve as voting members for the duration of their eligibility, subject to reappointment by the Mayor and approval of the City Council.

Section 2. Amendment of Figure 1-1 of WMC 2.24.020 ("Woodinville City Limits and Planning Area"). Figure 1-1 of WMC 2.24.020 ("Woodinville City Limits and Planning Area") is hereby amended by expanding the Tree Board Eligibility Area to include all Woodinville Potential Annexation Area as depicted in Attachment A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full.

Section 3. Amendment of WMC 2.24.030. Section 2.24.030 of the Woodinville Municipal Code is hereby amended to provide in its entirety as follows:

2.24.030 Term of office.

The term of the persons to be appointed by the Mayor shall be three years. Each member may be eligible to serve ~~two~~three three-year consecutive terms, if reappointed. When ~~two~~three consecutive full terms have been served, there must be a one-year interval in service before reappointments can be made to the Tree Board by the Mayor. In the event that a vacancy occurs during the terms of any member, his/her successor shall be appointed to serve for the unexpired portion of the term. (Ord. 318 § 1, 2002; Ord. 238 § 1, 1999)

Section 4: Amendment of WMC 2.24.050. Section 2.24.050 of the Woodinville Municipal Code is hereby amended to provide in its entirety as follows:

2.24.050 Duties and responsibilities.

- (1) It shall be the responsibility of the Board as directed by the City Council to study, investigate, develop, advise, recommend, and update, at least every three years, a written plan and standards to include, at a minimum, provisions for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, or removal of trees and shrubs in the parks, along streets and in other public areas, which plan is herein referred to as the community urban forestry plan and the community urban forestry standards. The community urban forestry plan will be presented to the City Council and upon their acceptance and approval shall be adopted as a part of the Comprehensive Plan and development regulations of the City, and shall constitute the official comprehensive community urban forestry plan for the City of Woodinville, Washington. The community urban forestry standards will be presented to the City Council and upon their acceptance and approval shall become a part of the appropriate parts of the City of Woodinville development codes in accordance with subsections (5) and (6) of this section.
- (2) Subsequent to City Council approval of the community urban forestry plan, the Board will be responsible for reviewing and developing educational materials to be distributed to developers and citizens to assist in the implementation of the community urban forestry plan.
- (3) The community urban forestry plan shall establish the goals, policies, implementing strategies, and monitoring program for developing and maintaining the community urban forestry plan within the City of Woodinville.
- (4) The community urban forestry standards shall, at a minimum, include a set of specifications for the selection of species, preparation, planting, care, and maintenance of trees to be planted in the public places of the City. Additionally, the community urban forestry standards shall include:
 - (a) A list of official tree species for appropriate locations in Woodinville.
 - (b) Planting and spacing requirements of street trees and plants on public property.
 - (c) Protection and restoration of areas identified in the critical areas ordinance, with prioritized recommendations for critical areas or projects most needed for replanting submitted for the annual capital improvement planning process.
 - (d) Regulations or recommendations for property acquisitions which preserve scenic corridors, neighborhood buffers or urban separators.
 - (e) At least every five years, an assessment of tree canopy for each of the neighborhoods identified in the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan; describing the health of forests, net loss of overall vegetative coverage or significant loss of mature trees, and other issues related to tree coverage as may be appropriate.
- (5) Following its adoption by the City Council, the appropriate sections of the community urban forestry standards shall be included within and shall become a part of the City of Woodinville public infrastructure standards and specifications.
- (6) The appropriate sections of the adopted community urban forestry standards shall be included within and shall become a part of the City of Woodinville Municipal Code to be applied by the Planning Commission and Hearing Examiner to all new development, and enforced by the Planning Director.

- (7) The Board, when requested by the City Council, Planning Commission or Parks and Recreation Commission shall consider, investigate, make findings, report and recommend upon any special matter or question coming within the scope of its work.
- (8) The Board shall be responsible for receiving and reviewing applications or nominations, and recommending City Council recognition of trees to be designated in the adopted heritage tree program of the City.
- (9) The Board may coordinate an Arbor Day celebration each year.
- (10) The Board shall participate in the joint City Council, Boards and Commissions meetings as scheduled by the City Council. (Ord. 238 § 1, 1999)

Section 5. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance, or a summary thereof consisting of the title, shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE THIS 18TH DAY OF APRIL, 2005.

APPROVED:



DON BROCHA, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



SANDRA C. PARKER
CITY CLERK/CMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

By: 

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 4-18-2005
PUBLISHED: 4-25-2005
EFFECTIVE DATE: 4-30-2005

FIGURE 1-1

