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Agenda Item Number  
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Date May 19, 2008

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION  
 REGARDING A PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION/MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2007, the Plan and Zoning Commission voted 10-0 in support of a motion to express their concerns with the removal of existing mature trees on private and public property within the City of Des Moines and to request that the City Council initiate actions authorizing the Planning Commission and City staff to prepare a Tree Preservation/Management Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2007 by Roll Call No. 07-2023, the City Council authorized the Plan and Zoning Commission and City staff to prepare a Tree Preservation/Management Ordinance for consideration by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Regulation and Ordinance Committee of the City Plan and Zoning Commission held meetings with representatives of Trees Forever and a developer panel for input to guide the drafting of the proposed ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Plan and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on February 21, 2008 to consider a draft of proposed ordinance language, and continued the hearing until March 6th, April 3rd, and May 1st; and

WHEREAS, the City Plan and Zoning Commission has advised in the attached letter that at a public hearing held May 1, 2008, the members ultimately voted 11-0 in support of a motion to recommend approval of an ordinance containing the text attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

MOVED by Coleman to receive, file and refer to the City Manager and the Park and Recreation Board for review and recommendation; **seek input from a variety of those affected and determine the fiscal impact.**

FORM APPROVED:  
Roger K. Brown  
 Roger K. Brown, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
KIERNAN	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
VLASSIS	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED  
T. M. Franklin Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Diane Rauh City Clerk