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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Planting Sacramento County Native Oaks in City Financed Projects

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the City Council, by resolution, require the planting of oaks native to Sacramento County where appropriate in City financed projects.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Sacramento has been an honored recipient of the City of the Trees award for the last eight years due to the abundance of over 250,000 diverse, native street trees, amongst which are large, mature oaks. The many valley, blue, and live oaks within the City are as old or older than the 135-year formation of the City itself. Unfortunately, many of the area's oaks are dying, causing the oak to become a disappearing species in metropolitan Sacramento.

In an effort to reverse this loss, the City of Sacramento, the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento Tree Foundation declared 1985 "The Year of the Oak." This program raised the awareness of the community to the plight of our native oaks and the community responded by planting 10,000 native oaks.

To continue the regeneration of this valuable resource and demonstrate the City of Trees leadership for which Sacramento is renowned, the Sacramento Tree Foundation joins the City to request continued planting of oaks native to Sacramento County. A requirement to plant these valuable trees in all City financed projects will reinforce the City's designation as a City of Trees.

Where an appropriate location is available and there is adequate room and soil conditions, native oaks to Sacramento should be planted in numbers to equal at least 20% of the trees in the project. This will provide a beginning to generating these native trees.

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FINANCIAL DATA

No City funds are requested.

RECOMMENDATION

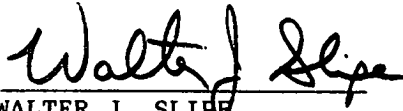
It is recommended that the Council, by resolution, require the minimum planting of 20% native oaks, where appropriate, on City financed tree planting projects.

Respectfully submitted,



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Parks and Community Services

Recommendation Approved:



WALTER J. SLIFE
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO. 86-215

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

**RESOLUTION REQUIRING PLANTING OF NATIVE OAKS
IN CITY FINANCED PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento has established policies for the preservation and protection of Sacramento native oaks;

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento recognizes that the planting and protection of native oaks enhances the natural scenic beauty, sustains the long-term potential increase in property values which encourages quality development, maintains the original ecology, increases the attractiveness of the urban landscape, helps to reduce soil erosion and increases oxygen output of the area which helps reduce air pollution;

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento endorsed and participated in the successful 1985 "Year of the Oak" program which resulted in Sacramento residents and organizations planting over 10,000 native oaks, an increase in the public appreciation of their part in our cultural history, and an increase in the public awareness of their current condition as a diminishing natural resource;

WHEREAS, Sacramento County native oaks are not regenerating at a rate to sustain their presence in the rural and urban landscape;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City financed tree planting projects, where appropriate, will require the minimum planting of 20% native oaks in the City of Sacramento.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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