

Date:	Reference No.:	Agenda Item No.:
6/22/2012	Resolution 2012-23	
Subject: Urban Forestry Management Plan		
Summary of Request:		
<p>The purpose of the Plan is to create a baseline inventory identifying current forest resources, document the condition of the urban forest, assist in planning for future maintenance needs, and identify opportunities for tree planting. The Plan may also serve as a starting point for the creation of a tree ordinance, which is one step in becoming Tree City USA Certified.</p> <p>The Plan surveyed street rights-of-way, public parks, and municipal properties within Brownsburg. Overall, the condition of the forest ecosystem was determined to be healthy, although some areas in need of maintenance were identified.</p> <p>Environmental benefits associated with trees were also calculated from the inventory. Annually, the urban forest within Brownsburg is estimated to absorb 8,800 tons of carbon dioxide, intercept more than 300,000,000 gallons of storm water, and reduce energy costs by \$627,000.</p>		
Financial Summary:		
Budget Funds Available	If Yes, Amount	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Budget Fund Information:	Line Item Name	Line Item Number
Recommend Bid/Contract Amount:		N/A
Estimated Project Costs: (whole numbers)	Architecture/Engineering	N/A
	Construction/Procurement	N/A
	Contingency	N/A
	Miscellaneous Costs	N/A
	TOTAL ESTIMATE	N/A
	Future Expenses (if any)	N/A
	Revenue Generated (if any)	N/A
Department Head Approval:		
Date:	6/22/2012	

Assistant Town Manager Approval:

Date:

ATM Comments:

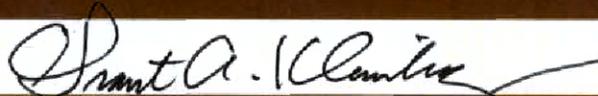
Supporting Documentation:

Resolution 2012-23 & The Town of Brownsburg Urban Forestry Management Plan

Action Requested:

Approval and implementation of the Urban Forestry Management Plan and staff resources to pursue the Town of Brownsburg becoming Tree City USA certified.

Town Manager Approval:



Date:

6/25/2012

TM Comments:

RESOLUTION 2012-23
Brownsburg, Indiana
Dated: June 28, 2012

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TOWN OF BROWNSBURG URBAN FORESTRY
MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, The Town of Brownsburg has taken a step forward in the stewardship of its forest resources. With the help of a grant from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Center for Urban Forestry, Brownsburg has collaborated with Williams Creek Consulting in the completion of an Urban Forestry Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Plan is to create a baseline inventory identifying current forest resources, document the condition of the urban forest, assist in planning for future maintenance needs, and identify opportunities for tree planting; and

WHEREAS, The Plan and Inventory encompasses the road right of ways of 56th Street, Airport Road, Grant Street, Hornaday Road, Locust Street, Northfield Drive, Odell Street, Green Street/SR 267, Tilden Road, Main Street/US 136, Whittington Drive, and Wild Ridge Boulevard and the Park / Municipal facilities of Arbuckle Acres Park, Cardinal/Delaware Trails property, Stephens Park, Williams Park, Veterans Memorial Park, Town Hall, and Police Training Facility; and

WHEREAS, The Plan identifies ecological & economic benefits of the Town's forest resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF BROWNSBURG, HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

Section 1. The Town of Brownsburg Urban Forestry Management Plan is hereby adopted.

The Town of Brownsburg Urban Forestry Management Plan is hereby PASSED and ADOPTED by the affirmative vote of _____ members of the Town Council at the regular meeting of the Council held on the 28TH day of June, 2012 and shall become effective on the _____ day of _____, 2012.

Dwayne Sawyer, Town Council President

ATTEST:

Jeanette M. Brickler, Clerk-Treasurer