

MEETING NOTICE



STREET TREE PRESERVATION & SIDEWALK REPAIR

An Invitation from the City Council Task Force on Street Tree Policy

Vice Mayor Ira Ruskin, Chair
Council Member Jim Hartnett
Council Member Jeff Ira

We are pleased to inform you that the Task Force has completed their policy deliberations and will be recommending to the City Council on November 23 the following actions:

- 1) Lift the City Council moratorium on street tree removals enacted December 1, 1997 and resume sidewalk repair and replacement work as soon as possible.
- 2) Accept the **five policy goals (presented and discussed at the October 21 public workshop)** developed by the City Council Street Tree Policy Task Force. The goals are designed to better preserve street trees while repairing sidewalks.
- 3) Direct staff to proceed with implementation of the five policy goals on a trial/experimental basis from January 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, utilizing existing budgeted funds (fiscal years 1998/1999 and 1999/2000).
- 4) Direct staff to prepare a report on the outcomes of the trial program, with cost analysis, performance effectiveness assessment, summary of citizen input and budget recommendations for Council consideration in the spring of 2000 for the next two-year budget cycle.

The Council Task Force members and the staff very much appreciate the participation of many citizens in formulating the new policy goals. Public input and feedback will continue through the trial period as well.



**This item will appear on the City Council meeting agenda on
Monday, November 23, 1998 at 7:30 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall
1017 Middlefield Road**

For additional information, call Public Works Services at 780-7475 or 780-7464