

ORDINANCE NO. TP-3363

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LEGACY OF THE GREENERY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS; AMENDING AND REPEALING EXISTING OVERLAND PARK MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 7.16.110 AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE PROVISIONS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, the Legacy of the Greenery Committee was established by the Overland Park Municipal Code as the tree board for the City of Overland Park; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body now finds it appropriate to update and revise the provisions establishing the Legacy of the Greenery Committee as set forth hereinbelow.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Overland Park Municipal Code Section 7.16.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.16.110 Legacy of Greenery Committee.

- A. **Creation.** There is hereby created and established a tree board for the City to be known as the Legacy of Greenery Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee").
- B. **Purpose and Responsibility.** The Committee shall be responsible for:
 - 1. Developing strategies to increase, preserve and enhance the City's Tree canopy by promoting, planting and maintaining Trees and Shrubs on both public and private property.
 - 2. The promotion and recognition of commercial developments, businesses, and public entities that have committed to improve and enhance the aesthetics and quality of our environment through landscape enhancements.
 - 3. Supporting the City Forester with programs and events that meet qualifications for National Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA status. This includes, but is not limited to, educational programs with the official mascot Forest the Fox, an Arbor Day tree planting ceremony and a tree seedling distribution.
 - 4. The advocacy and dissemination of information supporting proper arboricultural practices, topical concerns affecting the City's Trees, and other information recommended by the City Forester.
 - 5. The review and updating of the List of Approved Street Trees for Overland Park, in accordance with Section 7.16.180.
- C. **Membership.**
 - 1. The Committee shall consist of 13 members who are residents of the City and not less than 18 years of age, and 2 ex-officio members: 1 representing the Planning Commission, and 1 representing the City Council. (For a total of 15 Members.) All Members (including ex-officio) shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council.

2. Should any Committee member move outside the City, the Committee shall declare to the Mayor the existence of a vacancy.
3. The appointments shall be made for two-year terms, plus until their successors take office; provided all vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the Mayor with the consent of the City Council for the unexpired term.
4. Committee members shall serve on a volunteer basis without compensation from the City or any other organization, trust, donation, or legacy for their services to the City.
5. The Committee shall adopt by-laws consistent with the City Council's Rules, Procedures and Protocol for Plural Authorities.
6. The Committee shall elect from its membership a chair and vice-chair, who shall serve one year and until their successors have been selected. Duties and responsibilities of these offices shall be stipulated in the by-laws of the Committee.

D. **Staffing.** The City Forester shall serve as the staff coordinator for the Committee.

Section 2. Existing Overland Park Municipal Code Section is hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force as of the date of its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council this 11th day of July, 2022.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 11th day of July, 2022.

CITY OF OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS

(SEAL)

(s) Curt Skoog _____
Curt Skoog, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

(s) Elizabeth Kelley _____
Elizabeth Kelley
City Clerk

(s) Stephen B. Horner _____
Stephen B. Horner
Senior Assistant City Attorney