

Appendix B: Verbatim open-ended comments from the outreach survey

What concerns do you have about trees in Milwaukie?
the number of large trees being removed from private property in and around my neighborhood.
Just more. I would love to see as many as possible to provide both habitat and beauty.
That we could cut down too many
that more needed to be planted
Being torn down to put up more houses. It's making the city less easy on the eyes and pocket book
I am concerned that the older, larger trees do / will not receive adequate water. As building continues they will not survive.
Allergies
We have many Douglas Firs that are very old, and very tall. The root systems can weaken and trees can fall on houses, cars, and people.
That there not enough trees in Milwaukie
We have an infestation of Queen of Heaven and there isn't awareness of this invasive and stinky species. We need to eradicate it and create vigilance and have city funding to help fight it.
There are not enough in high density areas like along the McLoughlin corridor.
Leaf cleanup during fall
I feel that increased development is threatening Milwaukie's trees. With more and more people moving here and many houses being built I would like to see protections in place to prevent trees from being completely cleared for new houses
Older growth being harmed or removed.
The rapid rate they're being cleared for massive urban growth.
I would not support any law change that would require property owners from choosing their own vegetation (not allowed to add trees/plants, remove or replace trees/plants, etc). Obviously, I would support restrictions on obnoxious or non-native species.
Larger, old growth have almost disappeared and continue to be cut down.
That some huge old trees are cut down (like the one by the Wichita community center) only to be chipped up and replaced with young trees. That old growth trees aren't protected.
People planting wrong trees, cutting trees for development purposes, too many aging Douglas firs that are dangerous during winter storms.
Other than roots tearing up sidewalks/ roads, none. Milwaukie is not great about mainainting roads and sidewalks, or else this wouldn't be a concern. Sadly many neighborhoods don't even have safe sidewalks to begin with.
That new construction (rapid expansion) will replace areas with trees with houses and apartments.
Would like more
The largest trees are being cut down.

Losing mature trees to development. I realize it's expensive to preserve them and their root zones.
the trees should be preserved to have a better environment for people to live
Pulling out old growth for developing
That people don't take care of their trees. The cost has gotten so high for arborists. People especially older folks just have them cut down. Unless the city is going to help maintain these trees how can they mandate that you do?
Milwaukie's trees and greenery seem to be disappearing from the landscape at a rapid pace. I walk everywhere and it seems almost every week I find an old tree or a patch of green gone. My part of town seems more gray than green anymore and it's saddening.
I don't have a concern for trees. My concern will be that I will be told what I can and can't do with trees on my property.
Keep them coming...they add so much to the aesthetics and livability of Milwaukie. I lived on Lake Road for 30 years and now am in Oak Grove but use light rail, shops, restaurants, library, farmers' market And the list goes on. As more is built trees should be included.
I was concerned when the entire row of trees next to Milwaukie Bowl were taken down. I thought they might be diseased but saw it was so that visibility of a billboard would be improved. I don't want to see that happen again.
I feel like I see us losing a lot of Trees (Milwaukie HS for example) and I worry they won't be replaced.
There are some giant trees in my neighborhood. It feels like walking through a forest in a city. It's really cool. I think that even if the trees are on private property, they need protection from being whacked down by their owners. If people don't like trees, don't move here.
Private property owners hacking down giant trees on their property for no other reason than they want it cut down. People shouldn't move here if they don't plan to respect and love the trees. I would love if that was somehow a disclaimer to buy property here!
The variety of trees and the lack of trees in the ROW. The lack of sidewalks makes it difficult to provide shade in the row.
That they are not being cared for and are being cut down at an alarming rate.
Growth is destroying trees. Good example is the project on King Road where contractor destroyed a beautiful grove of trees that had been there for years. We need to stop this from happening, protect our trees as well as plant new ones.
We keep losing trees to development, ODOT, cracks in sidewalks, careless or uneducated property owners, etc, etc.
Preserving or replacing trees during development. Making sure there is a longevity plan as trees age. Keeping trees healthy
I am concerned that if we do not become proactive about protecting and improving our urban forest soon, we will fall so far behind it will be a generation before we can show any improvement.
As development occurs, our mature trees get cut down. Planting a one sapling for one mature tree isn't good enough--it takes decades for those saplings to really provide the benefits of the original tree. I am also concerned about back-to-back drought years and the stress on trees.
They are disappearing due to growth
Ability to cut them down when warranted
The potential for them to be replaced by buildings for growth
Need more of them. They should not have cut the ones down by the high school. Or the ones on King road were there putting in all those over pice house off of railroad Ave too. Need more green places. We humans need to quit tacking so much from the animals

They need to be saved as new areas are developed!
There are a lot of alanthus (tree of heaven) growing here.
To many old Doug Firs, threatening homes and people in the community
When a developer flattened a neighboring lot to build a cheap home, it disturbed the roots of a (city) walnut tree, plus a contractor's truck grazed it. The tree died right after sale of the new house. How long does it take to replace an 80-year old tree...?
Too many trees are being removed. We need trees to protect citizens from air pollution, maintain places for wildlife, create more sustainable neighborhoods (stormwater & shade) and fight climate change.
We should be working to increase the number of trees and amount of shade along trails and public sidewalks, in parks. We should also protect trees on private property for the community benefits they offer.
In the park behind the wastewater treatment plant, the new tree locations on the river side of the path seemed arbitrary and poorly located, both for the tree health and for enjoyment of the river view.
I feel like we are losing trees too quickly, and we need to encourage people to plant more trees.
New neighbors moving in and cutting trees for no reason, trees that have been there forever.
Need more controls on the ability to remove trees. Think the city should be more involved in the process.
The existing canopy is mature: There needs to be more planting to ensure proper succession.
Their age and maintaining them properly
My main concern about trees in Milwaukie is that we will continue losing them as more development and urban sprawl reaches our city. I think it is imperative that we protect the current trees in our community, and strive to plant native species that will thrive in the future.
I've noticed too many neighbors cutting down trees on their property and not replanting them. We also have little to no street trees in Milwaukie.
We are destroying our urban forests
A lot of our trees are old and need attention which can be expensive.
I enjoy the old growth trees in our community. When we have visitors in from out of state, 99% of people comment on how beautiful and green our area is. They are right and I would like to protect it as more homes are built and infill happens.
None really
Old trees being cut down
My concerns are not with the existing trees but with the policy direction of the City's involvement with tree regulation. We have seen what has happened to Portland & Lake Oswego as an example. Let's keep it simple.
I'm concerned with the disappearance of our tree canopy. I've seen several developments wipe out a large number of old trees without a thought given to what they have to offer our community.
I'm concerned about the canopy reduction I have witnessed with new developments in Milwaukie. There appears to be no regard to the importance and value our mature trees hold for the people who live here.

Mature trees are being cut down that have wildlife using them as homes. New trees being planted are fast-growing, not the slow growing strong trees.
My right as a property to owner to do what I want with mine trees is becoming concerning.
Mature trees being cut down and replaced with fast-growing trees, rather than trees that take years to mature. Trees are being cut down with wildlife using them as their homes.
No code. Metro developers moving in and looking for cost savings. Ensuring that when neighbors affect the canopy, they do so responsibly.
Milwaukie still has plenty of large lots filled with trees. These are slowly going away due to development. This has a negative impact on the environment and the visual aesthetic.
Clear cutting for new developments instead of allowing established trees to remain. No connection to friends of trees or other organization to encourage and facilitate planting trees on private property.
Many trees will be removed when sidewalks are put in on Sellwood Ave, which is not a very busy street.
Removal of healthy trees for "improvements" and construction. Cutting/Heavy pruning of trees during times birds are nesting (lack of public education regarding this). No assistance from city for people to maintain trees on their property.
The fact that the city has no interest in keeping them. This survey is just to appease people horrified by the recent devistations. The cutting of the trees at the high school was ... it's just to much for words
Trees need to be protected from clearing for new construction
That new comers to Milwaukie move in and are allowed to remove 100 year old evergreen trees for invalid reasons.
Note worthy tress are being removed by owners not willing to support the upkeep required. Provide a financial stipend as an incentive.
Note worthy trees are being removed rather then maintained. Provide a financial incentive as an alternative.
None . Trees are great!
I think we should protect native species over not-native
No enough new ones are being planted. Lots of development might mean trees being removed.
my neighbors seem to be cutting them down left and right in anticipation of new rules. I am concerned for the trees and the habitat they provide
My neighbors are cutting their trees down left and right in anticipation of rules
There are not enough of them
It's important to have balance and maintain old growth trees.
The indiscriminate cutting down of large numbers of trees to clear land.
It seems in the last 5 years as people from other places move to Milwaukie that more and more old trees are getting cut down at a faster rate with no effort at replacement.
Lack of trees and lack of care for those that exist.
Need a Tree Ordinance with some teeth to prevent the removal of trees on a whim.

Winter damage of trees that press danger to our homes.
Future growth damaging large city trees
Many are killed by Ivy.
Many are covered with ivy.
Trees that are growing in the path of power lines and get cut accordingly look bad and seem like they wouldn't hold up well to big storms. Too many small trees and super sized trees, not enough in the middle size range.
Too many that are giant or small /med, not enough other sizes. Too many that seem to seem to be older, well established, not enough variety of age.
It would be nice to have more trees in the mediums. Perhaps we could encourage Friends of Trees to come to Milwaukie
Could use more trees in some of the mediums. Perhaps we can get Friends of Trees to come to Milwaukie.
The reduction of canopy. Declining tree health. lack of street trees and poor maintenance of street trees.
There is citizen belief that land developers should be held to higher standards than other land owners. All land owners should be held to the same standard. Street trees destroy infrastructure and create cost with clean up and trimming
Clear cutting and development
PCC Structural has been called the biggest polluter in Oregon, and they are less than 2 miles from our house. Having trees that physically catch air pollution before we breathe it in is important to me. I worry that lots of large trees are being cut down.
I see many mature trees being taken down for construction equipment to move through and build new houses and apartments when I think it would be possible to work around the trees. I love our downtown trees, and would love to see more planting's on public land.
A code compliance department that does not regulate the cutting of trees (new King rd. Development) or take action on dangerous trees until they block traffic.
I'm concerned about new developments replacing trees with concrete.
Over arching power by the city to not allow citizens to do what they want with trees on THEIR property.
Overall health. Are diseased trees treated or removed before the disease spreads to nearby trees. If a tree must be removed, how complicated is it to get a new one planted?
The trees that get torn down for new development do not seem to be replaced (in Portland, if a tree is removed, another goes in).
The health and age of trees. As the trees come to the end of their lifecycle we need to consider safety. Remove unsafe trees and replace with new young trees.
Without a proper ecosystem, mass building, lack of nurturing and education for the general public, the risk of losing Milwaukie's trees is too great.
I am concerned that people have recently been cutting down "old growth" trees. There was the large 14 home development that leveled their lot off King Street. There needs to be some protection of the historical trees and a fee associated with anyone wanting to cut down trees.
Too many are getting cut down by house flippers. Make it compulsory to live in Milwaukie for 2 years before being allowed to cut any trees.

The height of some fir trees in residential areas so close to homes
How development interests in our community have meant the decline of our urban forest. There is an imbalance of both economic growth and healthy natural places/urban forests.
We've watched several new home developments in our neighborhood that have removed many trees. Hopefully, upon completion, some will be replaced
That developers can come in and chop EVERY tree (alive or dead) in the space they are developing on. Thus making it look like Portland.
None
Some neighborhoods lack trees.
No concerns at this time. I would be concerned if the council approved a tree ordinance that regulated trees on private property. There was a push in that direction around tens years ago and was disheartened by the number of trees folks took down because of the fear of regulation
I live on Logus road and behind my home there used to be beautiful trees. In the past few years they have since cut down all the trees. There are now less areas for wildlife, less shade for plants that need it, not to mention losing wonderful trees.
I want them to be protected
Developers clear cut wooded lots and often cut more trees than in their public plan. It's horrible.
Many older trees are not proactively cared for. Too many wind up "pruned" by the power company as a result.
None
Developers are cutting down old trees at an alarming rate!
New development cutting down existing large mature trees.
Cutting way too many! Many of them are over 100 years old. You are approving way too many major projects at once. Citizens can't keep up or have time to give thoughtful informed feedback?! To me this feels at best irresponsible, at worst suspicious. 🙄
I'm concerned about the multiplying number of lot clearings that have occurred as a byproduct of the housing development in the area. Row housing is destroying our trees.
The possibility of urban sprawl due to the seemingly never ending construction boom in the portland metro area.
I feel that some have grown up and are dangerous, but with the current rules, you can't do anything about that. Also, there hasn't been much replacement from the Max line going in. They took out a massive greenway west of 26th Ave and displaced so many animals.
Too many being taken out
Extensive ivy strangulation on private property from owners being unable/unwilling to remove and restrict invasive spreads. Irresponsible and inconsistent landscaping company management of the urban canopy.
When planing and planting new ones that you consider the amount of pollen they emit.
Old growth trees being cut down to make way for new developments and improvements. Once they're gone, they can't be replaced.
Canopies are a necessary component for livability and quality of life. They provide necessary shading and habitats for birds and wildlife. They may also improve mental health. Llewellyn at 44th has recently been rezoned and I worry about what little canopy will be left if developed

they are being cut down without any controls
Blights
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Many are being cleared to make room for new homes and neighborhoods. I'm wondering what the conservation efforts are (if there are any) and plans for replanting new trees
All trees were cut down both in new developments, no trees have been replaced! That more trees will be cut down regardless of their age!
Large trees are being removed and new trees aren't being planted to replace the losses
They are disappearing at an alarming rate by unscrupulous builders, building homes that are huge and unaffordable !
As is happening in many places, large trees are removed and either not replaced, or replaced with trees that will be significantly smaller at maturity.
Keep our trees, and lets plant more!
We could use more trees shading asphalt streets and concrete sidewalks.
mature trees are declining in number
There are no regulations effectively protecting trees on private property.
I see them coming down to make room for development. I think there should be stronger protections for mature, native trees.

What should the Tree Board consider as it further develops an action plan around forest size?

plant trees that will not out grow the space or area they are planted in. ie: sidewalk .

A partnership with friends of trees or perhaps more information to residents about the program. I am loving that Milwaukie is so forward thinking. A move in the right direction when it feels like the rest of the country is moving backward.

not sure

Keeping the look and feel of milwaukie.

That sounds good!

What concerns me is that Milwaukie does NOT become like Portland in that it restricts removal, or requires approval prior to the removal of trees on private property (except for commercial development).

how to eradicate invasive species Tree of Heaven

How to incorporate trees and wildlife conservation into new developments. Protecting and promoting native tree and plant species. Helping business and residents care for trees and their maintenance

Create protections for existing trees especially old growth

Resident/property owners/constituents rights.

Any tree planting should be from a designated list of approved, native conifer or oak.

Planting native trees Partnering with a conservation group to help conserve rainforest land in Brazil.

Assure that heritage type trees, such as the trees on the Library property, are protected during construction and development.

Mainly concerned about maintenance. It's really not our strong point, especially outside of downtown.

Those ideas sound great

Stricter penalties for unauthorized tree removal.

Increased assistance with leaf removal - maybe additional allowance for yard debris in the autumn?

survey of how many trees(dead or alive) each year is important

The population of Milwaukie is also rapidly growing so possibly increasing the allotment of trees or also take into consideration future building plans that may displace trees.

I would like to see a program similar to Friends of Trees that is working in Portland. Residents can obtain help with cost and install of trees.

Keep equity issues in mind, keep costs affordable for folks when it comes to the tree planting program

Protections for trees that are well established.

I support a set of policies that promotes planting and maintaining healthy trees. I DO NOT support interference with decisions that residents make regarding trees on their property. Development is a different story and effort should be made to encourage the retention of healthy trees and incorporate them into development plans.
continue organizing arbor day tree giveaways and plantings
Parks
Encouraging residents to plant trees,
Ways to educate the public on the value of trees.
Prioritize the use of native and drought-resistant trees when planting; it will be a long-term investment in sustaining a large and robust forest canopy. Contiguous plantings, particularly near streets and buildings, will have great cooling benefits, as well as habitat and emotional benefits. Plan ahead: where there are mature trees now, plant young ones that will already be fairly large when those trees die.
Planting quality trees - native or otherwise notable
Future growth
Cost to residents of required tree planting's or removal on their land.
Inspect construction sites and hold developers accountable (with fines if needed.) Sometimes their disturbance of the ecosystem is not evident until after they've sold and left the lot, so need a phased inspection process if possible.
Somehow intimate that mitigation of tree removal on all sites includes replanting of not just large tree canopy, but also understory trees & shrubs to help protect wildlife & provide native food sources. We can't be peoplecentric about this process.
foster development of clusters of fruit trees on public parcels where feasible (where they can be watered in the first few years and sporadically thereafter)
Education about the benefits of trees for community members and business owners.
Species composition related to climate change. Current species may not be best suited to future temperature/rainfall regimes.
How this plan will impact the public agency's and the cost of maintaining these trees with an ever shrinking budget and staff.
The cost that will effect our public schools, park district, and other municipal organizations struggling with todays budget.
Keep the plan approachable and positive.
Trees are important but we shouldn't let tree policies hinder development
Strong protections for trees already mature. Development regulations
I champion these efforts but wonder if Milwaukie residents are ready for infringements on "their rights". Hopefully it's not too much all at once. I have concerns about some of these mandates ie; hiring arborists, replanting after removal, etc, being cost prohibitive for many of the folks who live here.
We don't need a tree board. I would ask that they consider disbanding and dissolving immediately. These questions make LARGE assumptions that the policies being considered are equitable and fair. They are NOT. Public property & Private property should not be co-mingled when asking residents to consider opinions on policy. Please stop doing this. It's disingenuous and deceitful.

I really like the Heritage Tree plan.
Get Friends of Trees involved asap. They work in many other Metro areas, but I have yet to see a Milwaukie planting. Could really help get some of the areas replanted that need it.
Looks like you have it covered.
Encourage homeowners to plant trees through education, community planting drives and planting parties, resources for tree care and trimming/removal.
Unless the tree is immediately endangering someone, any tree removal, even on private property, should require an evaluation and permit. The property owner should be encouraged to keep the tree if it is healthy and assisted with pruning advice instead of removal.
A time machine. This is all too little too late.
I propose the city achieve the 40% canopy on public lands and allow landowners to manage their own trees.
A budget to maintain planted trees on public property.
Value native species over non-native.
Don't require residential property owners to pay for trees. Get young generations involved in the planting.
having teeth in the enforcement of new tree cutting restrictions, penalties for illegal cuts
Provide additional funding for trees
Native species, enhancing livability, the attraction for animals and people alike, safe spaces.
Please don't recklessly infringe on property owners' rights by making ridiculously stringent laws (i.e., cutting a branch longer than "x" inches requires a permit) in your desire to make a tree ordinance or make it prohibitively expensive for responsible people to cut down dangerous or unnecessary trees on their own property.
Alerting citizens to the existence of the Tree Board and its goals, especially newcomers to Milwaukie
Environmental impacts from weed control, etc, also harming tree canopy.
Ensure the trees being planted are appropriate for our changing climate. Temperatures will be warmer and rainfall patterns will change. We must plant for the future, not current conditions.
Planting more trees in our parks.
Planting of native trees.
Regulations should be friendly for residents and business. Unnecessary or overly strict regulations will be detrimental in the long run
How to incorporate tree canopy into the industrial areas. and how to encourage new development with space for large growing trees.
Develop tree canopy with solar ambitions. For example restrict the amount of trees planted on the South side of homes
Not sure

Trees cost a lot of money, as do the care and correct maintenance of them. Offering a true incentive for planting new trees is necessary. More importantly however is finding a way to ensure proper maintenance of the trees once planted. Trees have the ability to cause yards to become jungles and decrease home values.
Not infringing upon the rights of property owners and not causing needless rises in property taxes or required fees.
Making sure that a wide variety of native trees are planted to support a healthy ecosystem
It should conduct and protect heritage trees around the Milwaukie area. They should ASAP instate a fee/permit requirement for tree removal, similar to that of Portland.
The types of trees newly planted and their locations... root concerns for side walks and height of trees close to homes.. no one want the neighbors 150ft fir tree falling on their house.
Community engagement and education.
Do not create laws that Restrict private property owners from removing or trimming their own trees.
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Regulate public land to your hearts content. Don't regulate, educate private property owners
Provide information to help ensure new plantings are appropriate on the site for long term.
I currently don't have any recommendations beyond your current points.
Making sure to really go through and take out dead or rotting trees, especially on roadsides and near power lines.
Develop a tree planting program and plant 22,000 trees in Milw by 2025
Urban forest and watershed management practices go hand in hand. The Tree Board should consult the watershed groups active in Milwaukie. Johnson Creek, and NCUWC.
Listen to community members who are potentially affected by development.
Focus on planting, replanting and preserving where possible, without restricting Private Property owners rights.
Support and educate the community on maintaining the trees on their properties....people often act on their own and don't know the proper ways to prune, trim branches, etc. Educate people on all the positive aspects to having a vibrant urban forest.
The education and importance of trees.
How will Milwaukie enforce new provisions? Where will funding come from?
Tree produce oxygen. We need oxygen. Lets keep, plant, and maintain as many trees as possible.
shift costs from other parts of the Climate Action Plan to helping residents/homeowners plant trees. Ideas: a dollar or two off per month your storm water/sewer bill; or maybe giving out tree jackets which water a tree start for a couple of years while it gets established.
encourage native species
Overall tree health. Canopy does not matter if unhealthy trees are being protected.
native species > ornamental or introduces species

To protect and grow Milwaukie's urban forest, would you support a permit system for large tree removals on private property? Why or why not?

Somewhat support	What kind of fees would be associated with this permitting process? There are valid reasons to remove a tree and that can already be very costly to an average homeowner.
Somewhat support	If needed in order to maintain the homes foundation , trees should not have to be permitted for removal. If rotted, diseased, they should be able to be removed as well.
Somewhat support	I would want to know whether the intention of the permit is to generate revenue or truly to create evaluation on whether a tree should remain.
Somewhat support	Costs for a permit may create problems for some property owners. This could result in people cutting down trees without permits instead of the City finding a way to help them remove trees when necessary.
Somewhat support	I agree it should be a process to remove a mature tree. I am concerned that the city could make it an expensive and unnecessarily difficult process, though, that would impact less affluent homeowners who have a serious reason to remove a tree.
Somewhat support	Important to strike a balance between property owners rights, and the benefit of the community. Large tree has huge benefit, but right tree, right place.
Somewhat support	Trees can take decades to grow, benefit the entire community, and may well outlast property ownership of a certain parcel. For this reason I support measures that would slow down the process of removing heritage trees to allow the community to weigh in.
Somewhat support	Concern for onerous rules affecting property owners.
Somewhat support	Need to take into consideration the health of the tree, and threat to property.
Somewhat support	Tree removal on private property affects everyone.
Somewhat support	Some depends on the health of the tree, and if there is a plan for replanting a different tree, or even a younger tree.
Somewhat support	Sounds workable
Somewhat support	I have mixed feelings about this. I want to support tree coverage as I believe that we all benefit from it, however I also believe that people should (with exceptions made for safety, etc) be able to do what they want on their own property.
Somewhat support	I feel like most people have a valid (safety) reason for tree removal. Resources and education regarding tree maintenance and health might be more helpful. Also encouraging the planting of replacement trees well before the removal of the old tree is necessary.
Somewhat support	This can easily turn into a heavy political issue when removing trees from a privately owned property, I fear to who has the final say.
Somewhat support	I don't like infringing on people's property rights.

Somewhat support	As a property owner, I've had to remove some large trees that were posing problems to my house. Also, by owning property, one should have the right to make changes.
Somewhat support	I do support this, but not to the extent that an ordinance gets out of hand and makes it impossible for me to maintain my own property.
Somewhat support	I think preserving large trees is important. I see the permit process in Portland not working well, developers just pay the fees to cut them down. Education of the public is most important. Could the city offer pruning by an arborist at a reduced fee as an alternative to removal?
Somewhat support	It's a slippery slope to tell people what they can or cannot do with their property. Value is livelihood to many residents and as much as I care for trees, people need to be able to remove a tree if it supports a home addition or improves their lifestyle.
Somewhat support	Some trees are unhealthy and inappropriate for the area.
Somewhat support	If too many restrictions or regulations associated with wait & cost, I fear trees will remain beyond the safe point when they should be removed.
Somewhat support	Tree maintenance can be very expensive and large trees can sometimes be dangerous to a home. I do want to protect our older trees, but also protect peoples rights.
Somewhat support	This can be impractical or cruel to enforce on an elderly or low income property owner.
Somewhat support	This is difficult topic. I would be interested to learn more about the system first. Would the permit be per tree? If so, then what is the benefit for me to maintain a large number of trees versus a small number? What about removals that occur after storm damage?
Somewhat support	It depends on the issue. Waive permit costs if removal is necessary to protect house or neighbors.
Strongly support	it would be the only way to keep track of our tree inventory to comply with the city tree goal.
Strongly support	Yes! Large trees are so important to sustainability. They provide much needed shade and habitat
Strongly support	I'm in favor to help reduce unnecessary removal, as long as it still continues to be a viable path for residents who need to remove trees for safety.
Strongly support	It's important for trees to be respected and considered by the community at large. And a tree that has been standing for 100 and has a new owner, the owner needs to account for the community's need for their tree coverage and protection.
Strongly support	There needs to be more accountability in removing old trees from our area. Many are very old and provide habitat for wildlife as well. I would like to see them protected to avoid land clearing like what occurred at the Gladstone Evangelical Property by Lennar Homes
Strongly support	A permit system wont do it. A wealthy developer or property owner shouldn't be able to just pay their way out of it, but need to build their design around it and be fined if it dies within x years after
Strongly support	Because they are a community resource to be protected.
Strongly support	? Why what??? I have no idea what you're asking.

Strongly support	There must be restrictions on destruction of large growth trees.
Strongly support	trees on private land with age older than 50 should get a permit if they need to cut down to either preserve the trees or deposit of them
Strongly support	I think there should be accountability/responsibility of the property owners to consider the impact of tree removal. Promoting stewardship of trees or a plan to mitigate/develop plans for loss trees with the owners would be great.
Strongly support	I don't want to see development drastically change the look and feel of our city by removing trees.
Strongly support	If permitting will prevent trees from being cut down inappropriately, I support that
Strongly support	Everyone grumbles about a permit system, but they weep when large trees are cut en masse. Permit systems provide a means to mitigate needless cutting, and they allow the City to recover some costs/gain revenue toward future plantings.
Strongly support	Trees are extremely valuable resources for not only the landowner but the community.
Strongly support	Large trees are protectors and people need to be educated on their importance in the ecosystem and the sustainability of our planet.
Strongly support	The wildlife affected by the removal of a large tree have impacts on all the houses in the neighborhood.
Strongly support	Just like you need a permit to build a building, you should need a permit to cut down a large, mature tree.
Strongly support	I do not think that it should come at a cost to the person desiring the removal. But the city should have some say whether to allow or not.
Strongly support	It's vitally important to protect mature trees for all the benefits they provide and evaluate whether or not it makes sense to remove them.
Strongly support	I'm a PARB member and was one of 3 to get Tree City USA status for Milwaukie. I'm on board!
Strongly support	Because it IS important to save as many trees as possible. They should have a good reason for cutting and then say what they will do to make up for it.
Strongly support	I am one who has those trees. I understand the importance of a review. Obtaining a permit is different than not being able to remove, you just need proper justification and process to do so.
Strongly support	In recent years it private property owners who have eliminated hundreds of trees- some old groth that shouldn't have been cut down.
Strongly support	These trees, if healthy, are not only a vital part of the carbon cycle, but provide a vast amount of wildlife habitat. Younger trees simply don't give the shade, habitat, or carbon benefits that larger, older trees do.
Strongly support	We are stewards, not owners of large trees.
Strongly support	The urban forest is an important asset that provides many benefits and should be protected
Strongly support	The trees are part of the environment shared by the community. These old mature trees are a vital part of the canopy and the community should have a voice in the decision of whether or not cutting them down is a good choice
Strongly support	Neighbors don't realize the impact their cutting down of trees has on their neighbors. Bring more awareness.

Strongly support	Trees can live for hundreds of years. Why should a person who is in temporary possession of a piece of property have total control on destroying a tree that existed long before he purchased the land and could exist long after he moves on.
Strongly support	It would increase health assessment of trees and more people may opt to trim instead of remove
Strongly support	Large trees affect light, temperature, drainage, and more. Their removal should be closely considered.
Strongly support	To ensure that large trees are removed properly and safely. (Also to prevent developers from ripping out an excessive amount of trees)
Strongly support	Trees provide many benefits to the natural ecosystem, they are aesthetically pleasing, create shade with cools home/keeps heating bills down, the benefits of tree coverage are endless and the city should absolutely create a permit system, we need to conserve and protect the natural world around us.
Strongly support	I've witnessed development on my street that initially saved the trees on the property, but, as construction began they seemed to get the way.. and were removed.
Strongly support	Too many trees are taken out
Strongly support	Once these old growth trees are cut down, there is no replacement!
Strongly support	This needs to be done especially with warmer summers and the smoke from wild fires. Education on the benefits of trees , especially the large ones !
Strongly support	When what I do on my private property, like cutting down large trees, affects the health and well-being of the entire community and the environment, regulations make sense.
Strongly support	Tree produce oxygen. We need oxygen. Lets keep, plant, and maintain as many trees as possible.
Strongly support	"Strongly support" does not mean protecting every tree in every situation.
Strongly support	The benefits or trees go beyond property lines, so do the consequences of removing them.
Strongly oppose	Because now they are only being taken down to add new houses and other crap making the area look worse and feel less and less like home so a handful of folks can get richer and richer
Strongly oppose	Portland restricts tree removal even if the tree endangers a person's home. It is NOT Milwaukie's job to restrict tree removal. Let's get our Code Enforcement officer out of the office and get people to tidy up their property before we worry about trees, and follow city code guidelines.
Strongly oppose	Large or heritage trees should maybe require city involvement for removal, but every tree should not go through the city. Cost, staff time, etc. would be absurd.
Strongly oppose	I believe in property owner rights. I have also needed to remove a very large tree near my home (it was causing damage to my home). I can only imagine the terrible damage that would have occurred if I were required to wait, and wait, and wait, for a permit.
Strongly oppose	Cost of removal. Sometimes they need to be removed because trees are dead, diseased, or have large root systems.
Strongly oppose	Not the city's business what homeowners do with their yards.

Strongly oppose	I currently have 2 large trees over 40 feet tall on my property. Once constantly loses needles and makes a huge mess in the back yard. We have discussed removing the tree and should be allowed to do so without obtaining a permit or told me can't do so.
Strongly oppose	I have seen heavy handed policies by both Portland and Lake Oswego. I guarantee that if a policy like their policies in the works it will face VERY organized opposition.
Strongly oppose	A permit program would encourage early cutting of trees before that get big and vandalism of trees so owners would be allowed to cut out right.
Strongly oppose	Homeowners should be able to address large trees on their property without permits.
Strongly oppose	The city has no business regulating property owner's actions, as long as they are legal and do not threaten the health or safety of the community as a whole.
Strongly oppose	I believe that what people do on their property is their own business government should only focus on that property that is public not private.
Strongly oppose	Cost of permit for every tree will cost the district time and money.
Strongly oppose	PRIVATE property is just that; private. No is stopping anyone from planting trees on their own property. Nor should anyone else have a say in stopping another from removing trees on private property. Quit regulating everything!
Strongly oppose	Landowners should have the right to manage their own land and trees.
Strongly oppose	If it affects &/or post danger to houses, e.g. the roots or the unhealthy trees, the residents should have the rights to remove them without having to apply for a permit. Removing trees already expensive, adding a permit means more time wasted and cost to us.
Strongly oppose	Taking away the landowners rights to do with their land what they want is one way to upset the people whose taxes support the city. I would not want that kind of oversight
Strongly oppose	There are enough restrictions involving property rights concerning trees. Adding more taxes, rules, and regulations is a way to cause more problems for property owners.
Strongly oppose	Because it's the homeowners decision if they want to risk their home with huge trees that can destroy their homes.. Unless of course the city wants to pay for any damage caused by a tree someone is forced to keep! Is the city ready to be sued?
Strongly oppose	Removing a few tree should be up to the property owner we should not take this right away because of the maturity of a tree.
Strongly oppose	I think there are better ways of preserving and growing trees without requiring permits for tree removal on private property.
Strongly oppose	Just look at the damage they did to Railroad Ave and King Rd!!!!

Strongly oppose	The problem is you might discourage folks from planting a tree in the first place, as they risk having to have to permit, pay a fee, and plant another tree in its place. Also, the City has little code enforcement staff and even lacks inventory of what trees do exist.
Somewhat oppose	Permitting is expensive and the city should not make further barriers to home ownership
Somewhat oppose	Who will be the judge on what is a large Tree, whether it constitutes an important part of the Urban Canopy when we integrate over Milwaukie's overall Tree Canopy - ie at what point are impinging on private property rights
Somewhat oppose	Because it is private, not, public property
Somewhat oppose	I worry that the city will take it too far
Somewhat oppose	That question didn't make sense. If the goal is to keep large mature trees, why am I support engineer permits for tree removal?
Somewhat oppose	I love my big trees. But people who move here may view the upkeep as a detriment and choose to remove landmark trees. Education and incentives instead of regulations.
Somewhat oppose	If large trees become dangerous on private property there should be allowance to remove them.
Somewhat oppose	I support keeping large trees when possible. I don't want a complex or expensive permit process to get in the way if a tree must be removed.
Somewhat oppose	Don't trust city official to not be needlessly meddlesome.
Somewhat oppose	I don't like a lot of rules for property that I pay a lot of taxes on. Also, my street (Olsen, west of 32nd) is JANKY. I want a paved road and curbs.
Somewhat oppose	In Multnomah County, it is nearly IMPOSSIBLE to get a tree taken down, even if it's dead and rotting, which poses not only a life risk for residents but also a risk to healthy trees around the tree that needs to be removed.
Somewhat oppose	Tree removal is expensive and adding costs when removal is necessary seems unjust.
No opinion	na
No opinion	I would need to know more about the pros and cons of permitting.
No opinion	I am not sure what this question means. Do people not need a permit currently to remove trees? Can they remove any tree on their property? If so, I think a permit should be required and there should be a process for approval or denial.

What should the Tree Board consider as it further develops an action plan around forest health?

not sure.

I like it

The town and its people

Consider the consequences of what happens when a home is built on a property with trees. With excavation, etc. root systems become damaged, and then weakens, causing the tree to eventually fall. Milwaukie is NOT Portland, let's not become militant about this like Portland is, If you want to do this, do it in a thoughtful manner. Don't put a lot of restrictions in place - this will cause people to NOT want to live in Milwaukie, and/or move to other communities.

Work with the city and its residents to see what WE want, not what you think we want. Dont miss the forest for the trees, as it were.

city funding for invasive species like tree of heaven in the city and also unincorporated areas

Trees importance in preventing erosion, water health. Getting rid of invasive species and plant diseases like English ivy that hurt tree health. Supporting residence in tree care and educationZ

Property owner rights. Also .. you may want to consider that some people are allergic to some plants and trees.

Planting for future generations.

All trees shouldn't be treated equal. If it is a large, but non-native lower fees or fines should be attributed to removing it. Priority should be made on native - firs, maples, oaks. Etc . There is a long time milwaukie resident botanist that can help with identifying spec. Plants - Mart Hughes

How would some of these things even be enforced?

Na

Often people are required to plant trees that I've seen die a few years after planting whether city owned property or private that the City has required. We need to make sure all required trees actually survive in this area with little to know maintenance especially if trees are in right of way areas or on sidewalks where water isn't easily accessible. Also, make sure trees are not planted to obstruct a vehicle or pedestrians visibility.

Loss of various wild bird populations which will occur with removal of large, established trees.

provide more classes and materials to residents to maintain the trees

Don't put a high cost on having trees or planting trees or maintenance to make it affordable for homeowners

A lot of new home owners are coming into the city so making sure educational resources are available is important.

Water allowances for people who are planting trees so that they can get them started. Once tree root system are developed this will save water and reduce storm water run-off problems.

The protection of established trees.

Along with additional rules, you will need additional enforcement agents increase code enforcement staff to at least 2FTE

Homeowner rights, condo/apartment growth and removal of tree, cost incentives for homeowners,
Consider some sort of system that would allow the City to put its buying power to work for the benefit of residents. Maybe there's a way to bid in bulk for arborist services and then pass those savings along to private landowners who need tree work done.
Be aware of the time restrictions that this plan would place on public agency's on maintaining trees that are in schools and parks.
Please consider the cost for all that will be involved. Homeowners that lives on a small pension. Public entity that works with contractors. Timeline to go through the process of tree removal.
Make services that are required to maintain their health affordable for residents.
Stop restricting individual liberty with regards to management and use of PRIVATE property. You will only encourage "midnight" chainsawing. No one should need a permit to prune their tree! That's just stupid.
Discount/subsidy to help with pruning costs. (We gave a massive old walnut tree that costs a bundle to prune.)
Some nurseries in australia who have been through lengthy droughts rfid chip the large shade trees they sell and routinely check on tree health through drone use. They collect this information and report to cities/municipalities who then give carbon sequestration discounts/credits to citizens much like the stormwater discount system in portland. Incentives to citizens are one route towards education & learning.
Education is very important! Let the public know what is going on and how they factor into it all.
Should the public work check on the trees regularly, instead of hiring extra arborists? Or should city hire professional arborist?
Please be careful to balance the autonomy of landowners with the needs of the community. Please don't prioritize the needs of the community over the individuals needs
Encourage and develop a summer tree watering program to prevent trees from dying or becoming stressed during the summer months.
consider not establishing restrictions on private or public property pruning.
The cost and impact this has to our School District who is already short staff and underfunded. Similar to our parks and other government agencies. Most have trained staff that can and do perform this work regularly, and properly.
Invasive species management is a top priority on private as well as public land.
To not infringe upon the rights of property owners thus causing more rules, regulations, or permitting that would cause a rise in taxes or fees to citizens. If there were tax incentives to keep or grow trees on your property, provide that instead of a penalty.
Hold developers accountable. Create laws that require accountability for existing trees on a to be developed property and forbid (with possible lifetime loss of license) the illegal removal of healthy older growth or protected trees. Also hold the city accountable when increased human density and tax rev is placed higher than our natural environment. As the natural environment is often a distant second when other financial or economic priorities come into play. The people are aware of their preaching for the natural environment, but all too willing to overlook it when it helps their pet projects, their allies, or their reelection. Create uniform laws and make all involved accountable to follow and uphold!
If it's not on public land and it is not private land under development... recommend if you want , but leave those decisions to the property owners.
No comment.

Emphasis regulations regarding tree pruning. I've seen too many "pruning" jobs that are actually butchering the tree. Sponsor tree pruning clinics.
Involve utilities in the discussion? Feel like PGE and Ashplund do 90% of the arborist / pruning work in the area, maybe would be good to get them on board?
Nothing to add
Recommended tree to plant for diversity and native forest.
Reducing the loss of trees to development and keeping trees on private property healthy by educating residents and providing assistance.
Cost of these actions.
being able to take care of my trees is important to me, being able to afford it is another one, having help to maintain my trees would be the best, maybe a neighborhood wide help list would help in knowing who can do what with helping out each other, i.e., maybe John has a gas weed eater and Joan has a tree saw, etc. something along those lines, set up a day every other week, weekend, to have in your neighborhood, street, and help each other out. Also, go to the empty lots around and take care of the vines and blackberries, offer breakfast, lunch, snacks, drinks for everyone to help out.
New regulations should be streamlined and not overly burdensome
Spreading awareness of best practices for pruning, cutting, and treating tree diseases.
How can you educate the public about forest health and the importance of Milwaukie's canopy? How can you inform citizens of Tree Board policies?
Impact of chemicals.
Not necessary to have a professional arborist in every case. They do not always agree. For example the Kroneberg Oak. One arborist said it was diseased and needed to be removed. Another said the exact opposite. Tree is still standing.
Pruning regulations seems very Fascist.
Require larger planting areas in new developments. Make plans for new insect pests.
Require the same for developers as for private and public lands. After all a developer is a land owner as well. Goal 1 has very limited potential on properties and has a knee jerk reaction to one development
Education is the best way forward.
No draconian requirements on private citizens
Plant a wide variety of native trees
The high cost of proper tree care that many just cannot afford. Assist in making it affordable.
No comment
Help those families with damaged or diseased trees
Allow landowners with a high percentage of mature trees to remove one (gratis) knowing that they will continue reforestation.

Incentives that out weigh the need to remove a tree
Consider ways to get people on board without aliniating them.
With all the new building going on in Milwaukie maybe it would be wise to create incentives for builders to protect and plant more trees as well as use sustainable practices.
Develop a sustainable protection plan for tree-dwelling native wildlife
Be careful of unintended consequences. All rules are seldom fair to all.
Trees are our natural filter, we need them to sustain our own healthy life.
Encouraging/educating property owners about forest health as related to wildfire prevention.
strengthen existing regulations regarding tree pruning in Milw Municipal Code
Consider watering plans and flood zones in the planning process to avoid drought damage and erosion.
Can't think of anything
Make sure the rules do not get out of hand and keep them as simple as possible so people aren't SOL when they have a tree die.
nA
Plant native vegetation and trees
Does Milwaukie have the staff capability to perform audits and pursue enforcement actions? Has Milwaukie consulted state and federal resources for assistance with pest management strategies?
Tree produce oxygen. We need oxygen. Lets keep, plant, and maintain as many trees as possible.
I think there should be a great deal of education so everyone understands the importance of our trees. It seems the master gardeners and Friends of Trees should be a huge presence. Rules and regulations may be resented without bringing the neighborhoods on board with the reasoning and value behind the goals and plans.
Choose your battles carefully. Not all forests can be protected.

What should the Tree Board consider as it further develops an action plan around age and species diversity?

sounds good.

We are in desperate need of a nursery on the Milwaukie area!

I dont know man just stop taking tearing everything down

Remove the large towering Doug firs - if they come down on someone's home, it can be fatal to the residents. Plant smaller deciduous trees like Calyx, Cherry trees, Chaste trees, Hydrangeas, Lilacs, Willow trees, and similar.

Animal habitat.

I do not support a blanket restriction on removal of plants/trees.

Na

Please consider the huge growth in housing costs when developing rules for property owners. We need a diverse community and it's increasingly difficult for non-affluent families to afford home buying. We need to preserve our trees but ensure the new regulations don't add an additional financial barrier to families affording homes.

encourage private residents to send in their trees lists with incintives

Help plant and maintain local tree varieties that thrive first

Consider the changing climate, what with the northwest's recent hot, dry summer, some species may have problems thriving in our changing weather patterns.

Don't get into the weeds on which trees are acceptable or preferred. No one want PC tree wardens.

Sometimes site is going to play a significant role in whether or not a particular tree or shrub will flourish. Soil type and existing shade cover are factors in determining whether or not a given species is appropriate for a given site, so be sure to educate landowners who are planting trees and shrubs.

Be aware of the species of trees that have fruit in public areas this can be hazardous.

Safety should be considered for age of the tree. Species should be one has a strong survival rate the surrounding area. Planting tree's in side walk under power line should not be considered. Pruning is terrible.

Native trees that will survive climate change should be a priority

Find a source of funding before considering anything. Quit wasting resources with this. Put police on the street instead.

The mint thorn preserve (and probably other areas) needs some care; organize regular volunteer days led by experts?

Include non -peoplecentric goals. Consider what the route would be to create habitat for monarchs or other pollinators, mammals, and etc.

plant more edible landscapes on public property; form a Milwaukie version of the Portland Fruit Tree Project as well as urban gleaners to help ensure that fruit does not go to waste

Again, education and public involvement is important.

focus on native trees.

The costs to individuals to implement the plan on their own property
Encourage planting trees that provide habitat for wildlife
Planting the right tree in the right place. street trees require maintenance and clean up of the public streets from leaves and debris. public works and parks departments would need increased funding to maintain Big leaf maples and ponderosa pines.
Climate change
Would it be possible to partner with local nurseries and Lowe's/Home Depot to make these species available at a discount?
Provide a tax incentive to citizens. Do not charge them fees or raise taxes.
Lifetime loss of commercial contractor, builder, etc licenses in addition to fines.
The trees and plant here have been here since before most of you kids reading this were born.. property owners also own those trees on their property. Recommending is welcome.. forcing people to hire people to trim trees is a burden and forcing people to keep trees they don't want without the burden of hiring someone to condemn the tree is another burden. Stop this nonsense! The city isn't in charge of private property.
Not to restrict property owners from taking care of their own property, a professional should be used at the discretion of the owner.
I like this: Establish and maintain an urban forest nursery. Get ALL this information in front of people!
Nothing to add
Native plants should always be the first consideration in new planting.
Don't cut old trees.
Cost of these actions and the rights of private property owners.
Just remember that all types and sizes are the best for a healthy park, my yard, street corner, or a shopping mall parking lot!!!!
Provide information.
How can you educate citizens of the importance of species diversity and the benefits of native plants?
species which are good at shading streets and sidewalks but also can be adapted to over head wires.
Expected climate change in the Willamette Valley
Plan ahead for climate change and focus more on a trees adaptability than on it's nativeness.
Prioritize native species and proven success
An incentive for property owners to plant native species
Educating the public to be so that we can be informed of age, species, ect.
Focus on trees best suited for our coming climate.
?
Don't become the "Sheriff of Sherwood Forest".
What types of wildlife will flourish in which types of tress/forest environment, and whether some will be inadvertently encouraged or harmed.

Establish and maintain an urban forest nursery.

Stated before, consider the sex of the tree and the amount of pollen it produces to help reduce allergies.

Not sure: promote native species?

Please, please, please make sure that the trees are native to the area/climate. We don't need transplants that will kill off what trees we do have here in Oregon because they're not native and spread like a plague. English Ivy as an example.

na

I don't know how to implement this but all the people that live in Milwaukie need to know why trees and vegetation are so important so that they don't feel these new codes are being thrust down their throat.

The prolific use of cultivars with identical genetics could be an issue in the future. If possible, focus not only on species diversity, but diversity within the species too. Standard nursery practices lead to lots of topped (or headed back) trees to achieve a fuller canopy. Whenever possible, procure trees that have not been topped. Also, good nursery stock free from trunk defects, and co-dominant stems is just as important as species selection.

The above points seem to cover my concerns

There are some species that do not belong in an urban environment. Also, there are some species that are becoming increasingly rare (Or white oak, yew, etc.) and deserve special care.

Western Redcedar	Bigleaf Maple	Black Walnut	Dogwood	Douglas-fir	Oregon White Oak	Pacific Madrone	Ponderosa Pine	Why did you select these species?
								doug fir Oregon white oak western red cedar
			X		X	X		Oregon white oak-native and amazing. Dogwood is our current symbol, although I'm not sure @ droughts
X				X			X	they look better plus they don't bother my allergies/asthma much
X	X				X			They are pretty and fun for kids to climb and great to look and smell in the fall
X	X	X						They seem the most robust and might provide the most shade cover. I really don't know much :)
		X	X		X			They are smaller in stature, won't kill someone, and one can see the sky and stars at night.
X		X			X			they are large
		X			X	X		We have an Oregon white oak, grew up with a walnut tree, Madronas are beautiful.
	X	X			X			They represent trees currently existing in my neighborhood
					X		X	Not fond of maples, too many in our city already. The dogwood is not viable in this climate.
X	X	X						I feel these trees have always been a major part of the area. Dogwood would have been next choice.
	X	X	X				X	Their beauty is inspiring.
X		X	X					Variation and local need and history
X				X	X			Growth time, legacy natives, nostalgic feel of the city, sequestration of carbon, stature. Big leaf4
X	X			X				Native species and size
		X	X		X			native, beautiful
			X				X	Honestly I don't have a huge preference.
	X		X		X			They are pretty to me
X			X		X			Dogwood = our city tree. Oak takes so long to grow. Cedars are less likely to topple in high winds.
	X		X	X				These grew in my childhood yard in Milwaukie and all grow on the property I now own here.
			X	X	X			those are the three trees i have on my yard
X			X		X		X	Hearty and locality and dogwoods short life span
X		X			X			I could see these trees growing in the city and spreading shade and green like earlier days.
			X	X				Doug- Fir - Prefer them as they don't lose leave, provide great shade. We are a dogwood city.
X	X	X						I like the look of them
X			X		X			Dogwood is our city tree so it should be protected. The city has some big Cedars and Oaks as well
		X	X	X				The oak provides a lot of shade and habitat, as does the Doug fir. The Dogwood is the city tree.
	X		X		X			dogwood city!
X		X	X	X	X	X		Because they are resilient and provide good habitat for animals
X		X		X				Durability

X	X		X	X	X	X	X	beautiful and native
X				X	X			White Oaks are in decline. Evergreens are rarely planted; they intercept rainfall & provide habitat.
X	X		X		X			Dogwoods for history of city and the others for varied looks and function.
	X			X	X			I think of them as the most iconic species of the Willamette Valley. Plus habitat and shade!
			X					They are our trees.
		X	X		X			Variety and looks
X					X		X	Support wildlife.
X	X	X						Size and beauty
		X				X	X	Emotional ties
X	X			X	X			They are large shade giving trees that have deep roots. Also food trees for wildlife.
					X	X	X	Oak & madrone are natives that can support a healthy insect (especially pollinator) population.
X					X	X		The dogwood that Milwaukie has taken as its logo is not native and should not be promoted.
X					X	X		I like them
X	X		X					Look and feel. Also, the dogwood has an important place in our city's history!
								I love all of these trees. Which are most appropriate for the coming climate, carbon sequestration,
X	X		X	X	X	X	X	These tree's are in the pacific northwest. Black Walnut leaves a mess.
					X	X	X	Because they are all native species that will do well in climate change.
X	X				X			They are all native trees to this area and provide vital wildlife habitat
			X		X	X		dogwood is the city tree and the other two are majestic.
X			X	X				Maintenance of the tree
	X		X	X				These are already established
X		X	X					They were the most aesthetically pleasing to me
X					X		X	I believe they represent our native landscape while providing habitat for our native friends
X	X		X					These trees are beautiful old & are good shade. Dogwoods, are a purely aesthetic choice.
X					X		X	Seem appropriate for the region
	X		X		X			Dogwood is Milwaukie's tree Oregon White Oak is native, hardy Maple is also called Oregon Maple, hardy
X		X			X			Large trees / canopy. Exist in important areas of Milwaukie.
		X	X			X		They are beautiful and the dog wood definitely says Milwaukie.
	X	X		X				It was pretty random. I don't know which species are best suited for the area.
X		X		X				The two confers grow well in this area and provide CO2-absorbing greenery throughout the year.
			X				X	Age
	X			X	X			Many of these already exist
X	X			X				Because I have them growing healthy in my yard now.
				X	X	X		Beautiful valley natives that provide habitat for a plethora of species
	X	X			X			They are lovely

X				X			X	these are common trees that provide year round habitat, shade in summer
X	X			X				For their beauty and size
	X		X		X			They are beautiful and add to the environment.
X				X	X			It is difficult to pick just three
X	X	X						Big, leafy. Provide shade.
		X			X			we should be planting trees based on the changing climate and appropriateness for the location.
			X					They are native trees, if I'm correct.
X			X	X				A mix of evergreen and decorative.
	X		X		X			Variety of shapes and sizes. Not fire accelerants.
	X		X				X	Their beauty
X				X	X			because of their size and beauty. I wanted to select all of them :)
			X	X	X			Doug fir and white oak are active species. Pacific Dogwood is pretty and our City's logo
			X		X	X		I love dogwood flowers, the sense of PNW place from the madrone, & my son loves acorns from the oak
X					X	X		Madrone seems to be slowly pushed out so it's the top of my list. The Firs seem to holding strong
X			X		X			Tradition, appearance and longevity
			X	X		X		They are beautiful trees and provide essential habitats for the environment.
			X		X			I honestly don't care as long as it doesn't raise my taxes.
X			X		X			I like the way they look. The oak wood could also be used to heat homes when the tree is removed.
					X	X	X	They are beautiful.
X			X	X				The evergreens do not have a large amount of debris to clean. The Dogwood is also the city tree.
		X	X		X			Long time local residential trees.
X			X	X				B/c they are native. Audubon Society has a great Backyard Habitat certification we should promote
					X			It provides shade and doesn't grow 150 ft tall
				X	X		X	Beautiful and native great for habitat
X	X		X					All of my selections are visible from my home.
X			X			X		They look awesome.
X	X			X				Why not?
X	X				X			All native trees that were common to this area before deforestation. All are adaptable and beautiful
								I like all tees so I didn't select any
X		X			X			Because I have those trees and because they provide homes for many creatures and shade.
		X	X		X			Can become heritage trees.
	X	X	X					They are pretty
X			X	X				Don't drop quite as many leafs to clog drains because most home owners don't clean up leafs.

X		X			X			They provide a better canopy
X								Its density
	X		X	X				They are my favorite trees and generally easy to grow/maintain and are (mostly) native to the area.
X	X			X				They can be big and shade producers.
				X		X	X	https://ecoshare.info/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/CCFT_Methodology.pdf
X			X	X				Less leaves to clog our storm drains and for our aging population to maintain. Common to our area.
X				X	X			They are often the oldest, tallest trees and provide the most climate benefits / assistance.
X		X	X					Shading, broad canopy
	X				X	X		Habitat diversity, shade, and I just like Madrone bark
X	X		X				X	Diverse variety, good canopy, attractive.
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	I can't leave out any of them, they all need to be planted!!!!
	X	X			X			They are beautiful and don't grow as tall as the Douglas firs which I fear during wind storms.
X		X			X			They are a good variety. I think all the trees above are wonderful
	X			X	X			Because they are native to the Pacific Northwest.
				X	X	X		Drought tolerant, native, can get very large, also, they're beautiful!
X			X			X		Grew up with oak trees, pines smell fresh, red cedars are beautiful
		X			X	X		Deciduous trees allow for shading in the hot parts of the year, but allow light during the winter.
X	X			X				represent native species most abundant to the area
			X		X			Most of the others can be problematic in an urban setting.
X					X		X	Native. Disease, pest, drought tolerant. Culturally significant.

What should the Tree Board consider as it further develops an action plan around street tree management?

what will be the cost to the citizen? will this create another layer of city government?

Info to the public

na

Animals that live in the trees and of course to quit cutting it all down

Not to do inappropriate things like make a business put trees in their parking lots because the business in doing an interior renovation.

Not knowledgeable about the current encroachment permitting system.

Again, think of timelines, infrastructure, people, etc. Trees are important, but sometimes they're in a bad spot and need to go now, not in three weeks.

Seen poor planning affect far too many trees.

Try planting vegetation that does NOT need constant maintenance. Shutting down infrastructure (roads and sidewalks) is bad for businesses and for commuters (keeping people out of our community).

Give thought to where power lines are before planting

not just trees - shrubs and other plantings must be maintained as well. most of the stormwater wells look awful.

Trees that do not cause street damage by their root systems.

keep the street trees clear view of the traffic

It seems we're losing more street trees and with city growth comes extra traffic, congestion. As a pedestrian I look to trees for shade and fresh air.

Proximity to buildings, potential to damage sidewalks and other infrastructure.

allow for city employees and/or contractors to prune street trees, burden is on adjacent property owner it is a constant battle to enforce

Learn to live with cracks and bumps in sidewalks.

Consider code suggestions to public works for more tree-friendly conditions along streets. Permeable paving, regular mulching, methods for protecting the root zone--these would all enhance the lives of street trees.

Keep in mind the public agencies

Here is an area you have the most control over in terms of arboreal management.

Future growth and spacing. Plant for the space and growth of tree in relation to sidewalks and other surroundings.

Do NOT create another branch of "permitting". We do NOT need more Red-Tape

Check on them before, during and after site construction.

The street trees that are being planted. Most are inadequate and inappropriate species. We need real shade!!!

Adding more native (or at least West coast!) trees to the street trees list.

these three options are not that distinct, there's a lot of overlap
Education for business owners and everyone who deals with Right of Ways and may interact with street trees.
Correct trees for the particular location.
Street tree's should not be planted under power lines. trimming/cutting is terrible
Incorporate street trees into the SAFE program and development of more sidewalks and bike ways.
If arborist would be required to prune trees this would increase costs to maintain Public works, parks departments, and schools. Permits are costly and take added time for review and response from the City. Need language about hazard tree removal which eliminates the need for a permit in public ROW or Publicly owned property.
The type of trees, size of trees, road signs, parking lot entrance and exits - can one see around the tree? Safety - you do not want a space one can hide in.
Keep it civil not negative and obtrusive.
Please see previous notes
Hold someone accountable for maintaining tree health. Many trees are neglected. Also educate owners and help them properly preserve their old trees.
Nothing to add
Trees in easements should be jointly cared for by the city and the property owner.
Focus on saving land mark trees as opposed to smaller ones in parking strips.
Tree Spacing requirements
IDK
Educating citizens on policies and offering incentives and possible help to those who can't afford to hire tree care specialists or are not capable of caring for trees themselves
Let's see what the tree board can do to improve the current situation first, before looking into any further developments.
How to add street trees to areas that don't currently have them
Educate the public on how to plant a tree. Provide sidewalk root barriers at a reduced cost to the public (buy in bulk and not mark up pricing)
Pick species that do not drop big leaves that clog drains, trees that grow non meandering roots and are stable during high winds and do not require trimming around overhead power lines
The branches of Privately owned trees that hang over streets should be considered public property and trimmed and managed by city. It's the only way to ensure the necessary precautions are taken to prevent accidents.
I repeat again, do not make this an issue that raises taxes or fees on property owners. If you truly want people on board to 'grow' tress, provide incentives.
Dont plant trees that will only be removed when they get to a predetermined size. Plant trees that are natively smaller under powerlines. Allow sufficient ability for urban trees to get water. Dont put concrete all around them and expect healthy old trees.

Let the "waterfall" trees on SE Wachington hang lower than the code allows. There are 2 wonderful trees that hang over the sidewalk, and the owners have been cited twice for allowing them to do so.
Consider suggesting types of trees to be near a sidewalk to be less likely to damage or lift the concrete.
Promote native plants/try to find nurseries that are will doing to incentive programs.
This is where you get to decide about trees and planting.. Not on private property unless it's a large lot with trees to insure some remain
Cost of dealing with roots in the sewer and waterlines; risk from fallen branches
?
Possibly trying to monitor trees that are not quite in the ROW and keep them from being cut down. Shading residential streets and sidewalks helps keep it cool in the summer for families, pets and wildlife
Beware unintended consequences.
Pave the streets and create curbs and sidewalks and a sidewalk strip to plant trees in
Make sure the trees aren't obstructing the view of street signs and that they aren't going to fall down because of a wind storm.
Make sure that the trees haven't gotten out of control/threaten powerlines in the winter. Make sure the root systems haven't affected the sidewalks.
update the public works standards to preserve mature trees and maximize planting densities
I was actually pretty bummed to see all the little trees removed around the south main lot during construction. They had been marked for removal but no plans to transplant the tree (young enough!) to make way for the driveway. Lot development should include greenscape management.
Combating invasive species
Cost of actions and where the money comes from.
The trees were here before the streets were. Just because a tree is in the way doesn't mean it has to come down. Take a look at what happened at the end of Fuller Rd at Harmony Rd, the street ends, they didn't cut the tree down!
The large Douglas firs that have grown to tall and are a risk during wind storms. Owners should be given incentives to remove and replant.
Safety concerns...many stop signs and street signs are blocked by branches that could be better maintained on a regular basis. I think some people remove trees that could be trimmed instead,,,,they don't want the ongoing work. Crews of trained volunteers could help
To make sure there is tree shade cover for walking on the streets in the summer. It's so hot in the summer now it's bad for humans and dogs .
How will you enforce this? What will the penalties be if a private company, or even a city crew, works on a street tree without prior authorization?
Tree produce oxygen. We need oxygen. Lets keep, plant, and maintain as many trees as possible.
use low maintenance trees
Structural soils and special sidewalk design may be required -- as well as careful species selection.

What would make you more likely to maintain trees in the right-of-way?

easier way to dispose of leaves and limbs, my yard debris container is full most every week with private property waste (leaves, grass, and flowers.)

I think we do a good job currently

na

If I knew how or had the gear

Decrease the cost of water in Milwaukie.

Affordability, accessibility, education.

We already have to.

Clearly laid out expectations. Assistance for any major adjustments or larger trees that are beyond reasonable capabilities of average homeowner.

Evergreens or other low maintenance trees that have little to no maintenance needed (or leaf drop that can cause slick streets and sidewalks)

Free pruning recycling options annually. Approved types are already lower maintenance trees: don't uproot sidewalks or doesn't drop something every season. Neighborhood gatherings/day with tools and support. Online system to report areas that need it most to identify priority area.

If they were shaped like Mickey Mouse

some financial assistance

If a workaround is fairly reasonable

If they were blooming trees with a smaller growth habit.

We already maintain our trees.

do not know what you meant by right of way but trees should be kept low and clear of view of the traffic

Na

Perhaps incentives, discounts from the city or a discount for participation in informational/educational seminars on trees.

Maybe share the benefits of proper tree maintenance. Offer incentives.

Incentives for planting and maintaining.

Clear understanding of rules, financial incentives

The support from the city

Availability of water to get them started.

help! if a permit is required make it free or reimbursable if a contractor is used

Street sweeping in the fall and free mulch and other tree maintenance materials.

We already do
Are the trees unique / and or consistent with the rest of my neighborhood.
Cost incentives
My ability to do so as I wish, when I wish and how I wish. I will not abide to silly permitting requirements. I would prefer sidewalks my kids could walk to safely to school on.
?
Expert advice. Subsidy.
Know that I am doing the responsible and right thing. Most people are uneducated on this subject so \$/credit incentives may make more people pay attention.
I just got a permit to plant our first tree in the right-of-way!
Incentives, recognition, community events to maintain trees together as a group.
Don't care for it. unless the city wants to take care of it.
Resources, education about how best to maintain them, financial help in maintaining trees not on my private property.
Assistance from the city with pruning and maintenance.
We already are maintaining our trees in the right of way.
Public assistant with leaf maintenance and growth management.
If other entities (contractors, developers, local officials, utility providers, etc.) are actually held accountable for their neglect and role in deforestation.
Need someone to help trim properly. An advocate vs. a business that is concerned with profit.
Education opportunitites!
Help with pruning bill, if need be.
Already am. If Friends of Trees was in the area, making it easy to plant, I'd have them plant some in the right-of-way and create more maintenance to do for myself.
I already do it. Many people who Do not are elderly/senior citizens and need help. There should be a plan to help those who are not physically able.
Assistance choosing and maintaining trees that will not interfere with sidewalk and other structures in the future.
?
Nothing. I do it now.
Info and guidelines for proper trimming techniques
A tax credit.
access to proper equipment

Information to understand what is proper.
Not wanting to get fined
Fines.
I try and maintain my right-of-way trees now.
It's a responsibility. I understand it is hard to ask everyone to do so, but we should do our own 1st.
Cost and finding good maintenance resources.
This should be the city's responsibility
Provide information on how to maintain trees in the right-of-way.
Pruning work days
That is the responsibility of the right away owner (City)
Affordability and time
I don't think I'm equipped to deal with the traffic, power and phone lines and size of some of the trees that fall into this category, and it is too expensive for me to pay a professional to do the work...so a cheap alternative would be the incentive.
I repeat again, do not make this an issue that raises taxes or fees on property owners. If you truly want people on board to 'grow' trees, provide incentives.
Incentives to reduce the cost of a certified arborist.
Guidance or incentive from the city.
If you put in sidewalks, I'd be happy to main the trees in my right of way.
The type of trees on mcgloughlin next to west Moreland park create wonderful shade.. more of that type..
Help from the city if needed
support/education/incentives from city
allow cost of the maintenance to be taken off my taxes some how
Credits on your water bill for watering trees
I would maintain them irregardless. But, in the long run it might benefit the city and PGE to eventually put electrical lines underground so as not having to cut back trees as much. The city could also have a free event on tree maintenance.
n/a. I am not on a right-of-way property
I don't have any and will not in the future.
Visibility for all traffic. Walkers, bikes, cars.
Keep them trimmed back to help with visibility when trying to enter into a street.
We have over 10 trees on our property which are all well maintained. I'm unsure what the "right of way" refers to so I'm not sure how to respond.

I don't know.
N/A
If it was easy for me to remove the brush and cuttings from the tree. yard debris can? Planned neighborhood pick up days once a month?
Yearly incentive similar to the big item garbage removal.
Fines for obstruction of vision or city help with maintenance in problematic areas
financial assistance
Incentive
I would go out of my way to make sure that there wasn't any branches down. I would make sure the tree is safe. I would put benches, chairs around the tree to make it a pleasant place to sit.
Incentives
Education on the proper methods and season to prune, etc.
Do you have an arborist educate me on how to maintain it and I would.
Having trees in the right-of-way. We don't have a sidewalk, or street trees. If we did, I would be more likely to maintain them if I liked them. Nice fall color, flowers, habitat for birds and mammals, screening noise or utilities, would all help me see their value.
Education on why we need trees to everyone.
inform as to what the rules are
We already do.

What should the Tree Board consider as it further develops an action plan around outreach and stewardship?

who much is this going to cost the citizen ?

Remember that people always have a hard time with change, but they'll get use to it

na

Spin kicks for everyone hot coffee for others

Not to go overboard and become overzealous with this idea. As I previously mentioned, there are MANY residents who can't even manage to maintain their property as it is now. There are plenty of houses in Milwaukie with dead vehicles, and RVs that have literally sunken into the dirt because they haven't moved in the 10+ years I've lived here. Has the Code Enforcement officer EVER been out of his office to inspect the city? There are properties in town that are eyesores, and are bringing down the values of neighbors' homes. Let's fix the shoddy properties first before we start worrying about trees.

how to help residents remove Tree of Heaven (invasive species)

Reaching residence in tree scarce areas of Milwaukie

Truly listen to the community. Find a way that folks can help each other out and not create a burden on those who physically and/or financially may struggle with changes to the code.

Property owner rights.

Take advantage of Audobons Backyard Habitat program, now available in milwaukie and spread resources beyond this project team volunteers and city staff.

Na

Much stronger regulations on developers - they must be required to preserve or replace as they build

Leaf removal programs to help avoid tree removal simply because the owner hates cleaning up fall leaves.

out reach to the resident about trees improvement plan, ie inform residents of the new development

Reaching out to new homeowners/businesses to educate, perhaps a "welcome kit" with tree-care information.

Outreach is key.

Don't be jerks about it. Opposing things like the new library doesn't win you any friends.

care more about results than certifications and labels. We don't need to be a "tree city" to value and support trees in Milwaukie. If being a tree city costs money redirect the money into planting trees, supporting citizens and maintenance.

Create a Tree Team like CERT teams. Citizens trained in tree stewardship who live in each neighborhood and are available as a resource to their neighbors. Hook them into the NDAs.

Keep in mind the concerns and budgetary constraints of public agency's and the time it takes to get permits through the system and considering emergency situations during inclement weather.

GEt people excited about planting and maintaining our Urban canopy

Incentives for participation.
Volunteer programs
Drive home the point that what you do on your property affects not only adjacent neighbors, but all citizens. We all breathe the same air and drink the same water. Milwaukie has industrial sites and highways all around. To keep citizens safe, especially the elderly, the disabled, and the children, planting and growing trees will help everyone in the most basic way. Link good citizenship and civic responsibility with trees and their management.
work proactively with developers to save large trees
Encourage partnerships with non profits like Friends of Trees.
Talk with local school district, and other government agencies about this! How is this going to effect us?
Involving the public with clearly defined plans and clearly stated goals.
Create strict requirements for tree accountability and potential protection or removal PRIOR to approving land use and/or related building permits.
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Education! Don't forget to include programs in our schools to foster an awareness in our next generations about the importance of trees. This is where it begins...
Nothing to add
Recognize people may have opposing views and be resistant. Educate using easy visuals like pictures of Milwaukie streets with and without trees.
Awards and programs don't help trees. Educating people and limiting development helps trees.
Change takes time.
Keep the community in mind.
How to reach out to new citizens while at the same time informing citizens who have lived here for years of policy updates
Not everyone cares, so you have to work with everyone's personal goals.
Keep it simple? Sometime overdoing expend the problem.
Ensuring resources to residents to help them understand the importance of their trees including care and maintenance
Allow signage and highly encourage heritage trees. We also need to recognize that all living things pass away, so remembering the trees with a list and picture like the historic home inventory
Trees thrive in thriving communities. Make sure the people are valued as much as the trees.
I repeat again, do not make this an issue that raises taxes or fees on property owners. If you truly want people on board to 'grow' tress, provide incentives.
Give people signs to hang on their trees letting others know that they are a part of the tree stewardship program

That the final decision is the property owners and not yours..
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Not only "engage" developers cut put mandates on them
Make sure "public input" is inclusive. (This survey isn't)
No comment
Make/keep it simple for people to help you help the environment.
bottomone
Social media is an effective and affordable way to reach someone. Anyone volunteering on the Facebook page for the Tree Board?
Partnering with local nurseries
Cost
It's everyone's town, we have the right to speak up, not everyone has access to these surveys, or the internet, or hear about these....
Enlisting educated volunteers to educate and support individuals in their neighborhoods....maybe at the neighborhood meetings
Remember the youth! Planting programs at schools are a good way to engage students, teachers, and parents.
Tree produce oxygen. We need oxygen. Lets keep, plant, and maintain as many trees as possible.
The subject raises many different issues, with a wide array of public responses. It will require a careful balancing of diverse public opinions.

Are there any other comments you wish to share with the Tree Board?

I'm happy you're doing this work. Thank you

none

Trees are awesome. Stop letting turd goblins cut them down to put in ugly houses we dont need

By the way, there are plenty of properties on Monroe, Harrison, Home Avenue, and Wood Street that need to be cited for code violations. Additionally, has anyone from the city driven down Wood Street between Monroe and Railroad? It is full of potholes, and has been patched way too many times.

Yes Milwaukie needs to proactively remove Tree of Heaven. It's extremely fast growing, smells awful, breaks easily and spreads quickly.

Thanks for making trees and public health a priority!

I understand trees are important, but I also believe that trees on private property should not be regulated by the city or the tree board.

Judging by the questions being asked, it sounds like a good start is being made here. I hope it continues.

Send out an actual paper survey to 100% of residents in Milwaukie. Gathering information from only the small portion using social media does NOT get an accurate or balanced perspective. And then LISTEN. The residents are what make this a community. Don't start pushing your wants onto others.

Great work so far! A lot has been considered. I hope interim regs can be out in place before an official plan is adopted as many developers are currently tackingmiut our heritage trees and we can get their benefit back.

Thanks for your work!

I need to be able to prune and maintain trees on my property without the city getting involved.

i know the board has a large scope.area of aspect to oversee. but if they can break the aspect down into several small pieces to oversee, it should be manageable. my concern is the bushes on the streets should not block the view of the traffic.

I think it's a vital issue to keep Milwaukie's trees. The most recent, large number of trees removed is along Hwy 224 and Monroe St.. There were at least 7 trees taken in the last month; I walk this route every day and you can still see the trees using Google Street View. They were in an area in front of NW Primary Care and in a line almost along the highway. A large billboard now looms large in this area. The green Milwaukie I used to love to stroll through is growing empty; bushes, trees removed, little patches of green gone in one corner, it all adds up. I don't know how we can call ourselves the Dogwood City of the West anymore. Also, please preserve the large stately tree next to the library; so many trees have been stripped away from that area as well over the years.

There are benefits of removing trees as well. Not all trees should be saved and not all trees should have to be replaced. I don't want anyone telling me what I can't do with trees on my property that I have lived at for over 25 years. I also do like trees and realize they provide great benefits to residents, wildlife and the eco-system.

My wife and I love trees, plant trees and maintain trees. Providing adequate water for them as they get started is expensive. We grow fruit and need to be able to manage our trees without burdensome regulations from well-intentioned municipal employees.

Good work, so far!

Thank you for all your work on this! Trees are beloved members of our community, and it's time we figured out how to better reflect that in our City code.
U R asking the right things.
Not at this time
Love these proposals. Great work!
Thank you for doing this!
I'm behind you all the way!!!
One of the reasons we decided to move to Milwaukie was because it seemed to have so many forested and natural areas. I feel like we've lost a lot of trees since we moved here in 2012, and that makes me sad.
Good luck!
no
Neighborhoods with trees and land are used for housing development. I see no area left for tree planting. After houses are built, than tree's are planted. Doesn't make sense. Developments are happening everywhere without saving trees that are already matured.
I think this work is vitally important for the future of our city, and am proud of Milwaukie for putting time and resources into this. Thank you to all of the volunteer board members for their tireless work on developing Milwaukie's tree code!
I am very supportive of this plan.
I wish there would have been better communication to others. Still not really sure what the impact will truly be. Will we be able to train staff and have them certified vs having to hire a certified arborist. Concerned with their time constraints and lack of availability when we have to deal with a dangerous tree.
Thank you for working to make our community a greener, more pleasant place to live. I hope that we can find ways to balance the importance of protecting mature trees with the ability to make choices on private property.
Please see previous comments
I am in Jennings Lodge, but would like to see this also incorporate this area.
Heavily fine developers for cutting trees. Give them credits for saving and building around.
Keep up the good fight.
Nope.
What about city wide street removal of leaves in the fall and winter? It is a huge time commitment and a barrier to planting street trees. Also, who is responsible for cutting back trees that obstruct the sidewalk?
The upcoming sidewalk "improvement" project is going to rip out dozens of trees in my neighborhood. This is ridiculous. My neighborhood traffic is calm and there's no reason to sacrifice trees for a few pointless sidewalks. Has the Tree Board done any evaluation of this sidewalk project's impact on the urban forest? Yes, we need sidewalks installed in high traffic areas, but not in quiet neighborhoods at the expense of trees.

Can't say I believe any of this. When the city has such disregard for trees now, this carries little weight. More curious what actual plan this is being used as a front for continued tree removal for development
Encourage developers to plant appropriate trees when new homes are completed.
Not at this time.
I am excited to know that there is a designated Tree Board and that our wonderful canopy is a priority for Milwaukie as it continues to grow! Thank you!
Thank you for stepping up.
Thank you for your work. I appreciate that you all will work to maintain the balance between independence for each resident vs legislation for the benefit of all.
Don't charge too much for the permitting process. Encourage rather than punish.
Get the heritage tree program enacted Remember what is good for the goose should be good for the gander Create programs that integrate solar and tree canopy
Thank you.
I repeat again, do not make this an issue that raises taxes or fees on property owners. If you truly want people on board to 'grow' trees, provide incentives.
Not at this time, but I'd like the opportunity to come around again after we've had time to consider further planning projects.
My family has been here since 1847. The age of some of these huge fir trees and their size do not bid well with the amount of growth in houses and their close proximity to each other. When a fir gets too big it comes down .. property owners who chose to remove them should be encourage with either a selection of free trees or as an incentive to replant something.. a tax write off of a couple dollars.. Action rather than salaries for paper pushers is the way to go... we don't need busy bodies with clipboards getting salaries to piss off the tax paying property owners..
Thank you!!!! Keep up the great work!
No
Do a lot more communication especially where policies will have a financial impact on those at greatest risk.
Don't attempt to control home owners rights for what they can do with trees on their property.
Please do not restrict the ability to maintain ones own property at the assumption that the proper care couldn't be give unless a professional provided the work. Also many of us appreciate that we can drive both ways on the roads, please do not limit the roads the traffic in the area has already increased to an over bearing level. We all want healthy trees in the community but they should not take priority when it comes to well established road system. (Especially a well established road system that needs to be expanded not decreased).
Like above and before, keep it simple and manageable. Help people (residents and retailers) help you help the environment.
N/a
You're awesome. Keep up the good work!

No but glad to see this initiative!

Everyone should have a say, it's our town, and our yards, and our trees!!

I am pleased that this is being organized and I will be looking for ways to involve myself and volunteer for this important cause

I guess it would be important to find out the reason why people cut these important trees down.

Good luck!

Common thinking draws a bright line between public property and private property. Urban designers tell us to also differentiate the semi-public realm between streets and buildings which may warrant different standards.