

CITY OF WHITE SALMON TREE ORDINANCE UPDATE



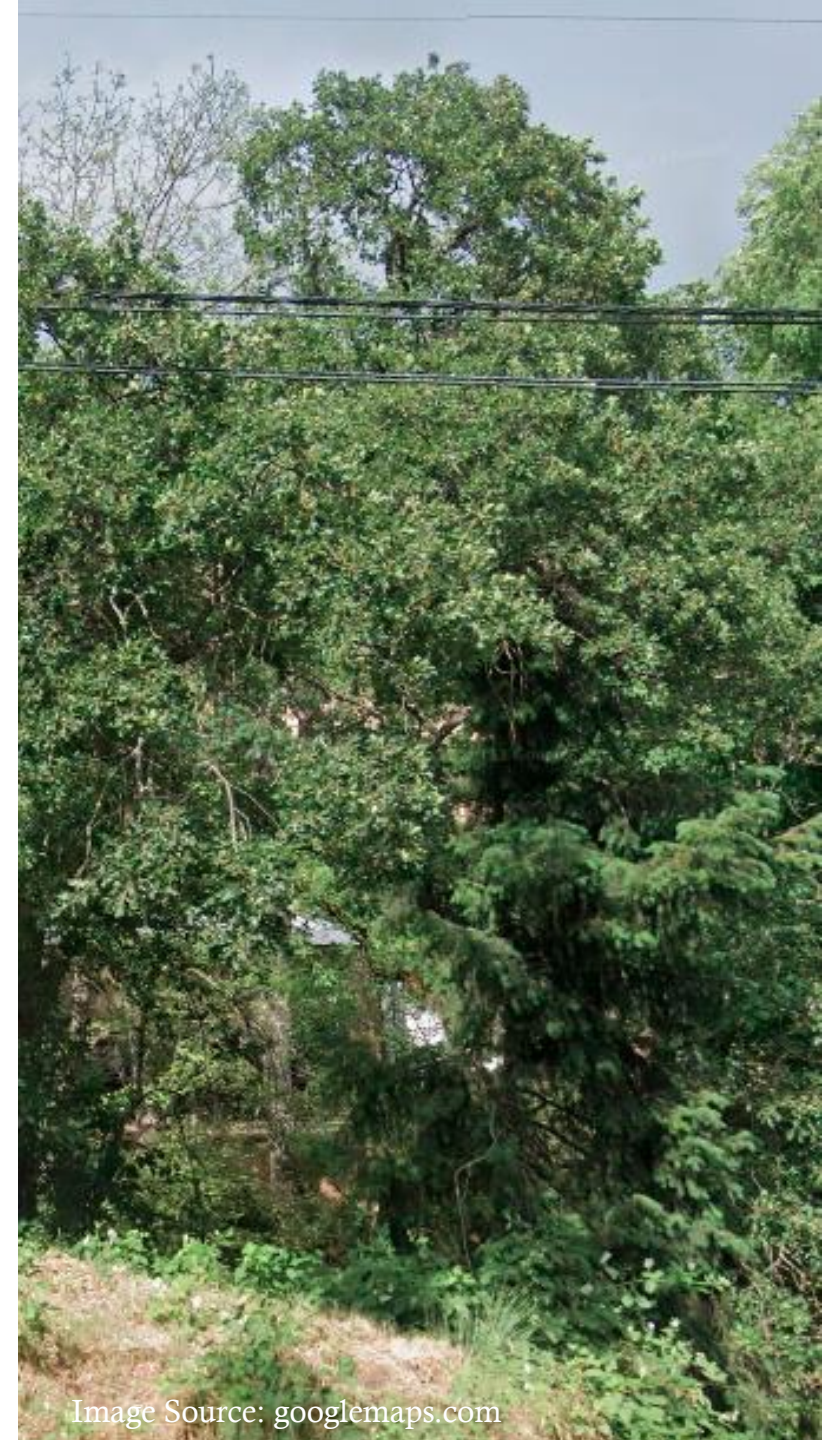
AGENDA

PROJECT BACKGROUND

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

CODE AMENDMENTS

SCHEDULE



A background image of a dense forest with tall trees and sunlight filtering through the canopy, creating a dappled light effect.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Urban Forestry
Management Plan
(2019)

Critical Areas
Ordinance (2023-
24) to

Tree Protection
Ordinance

WHY TREE PROTECTION?

Urban Heat Island Effect
Improved Stormwater Management
Supports Biodiversity

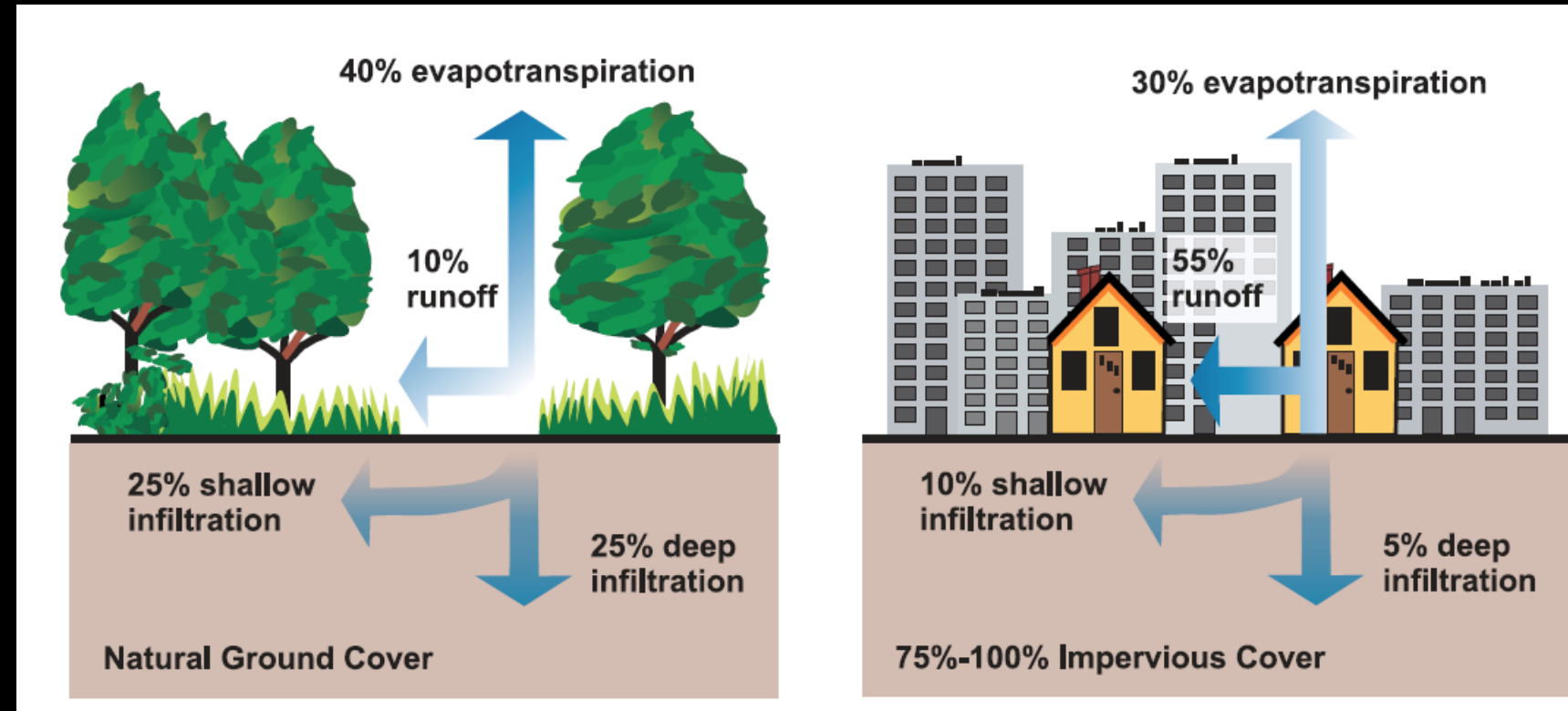


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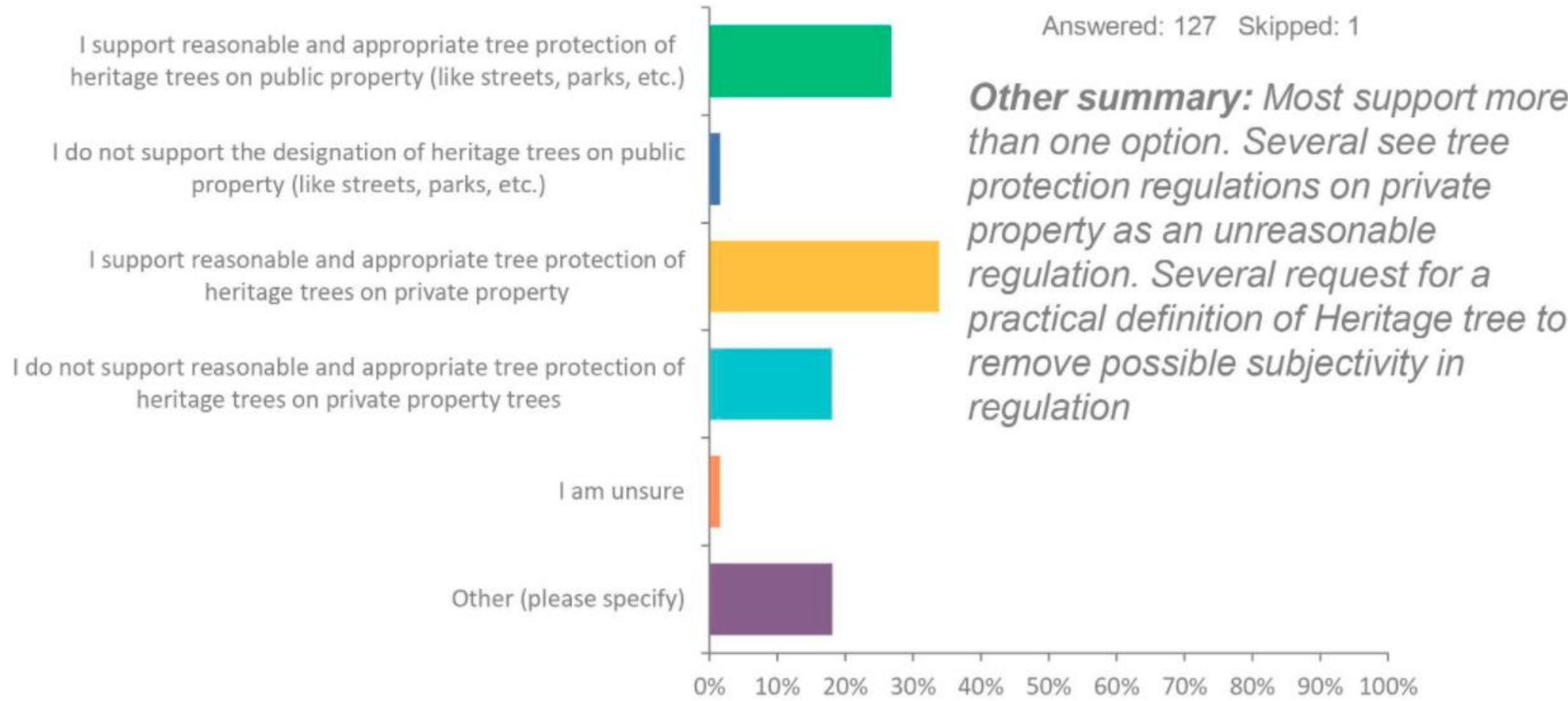
TREE ORDINANCE UPDATE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



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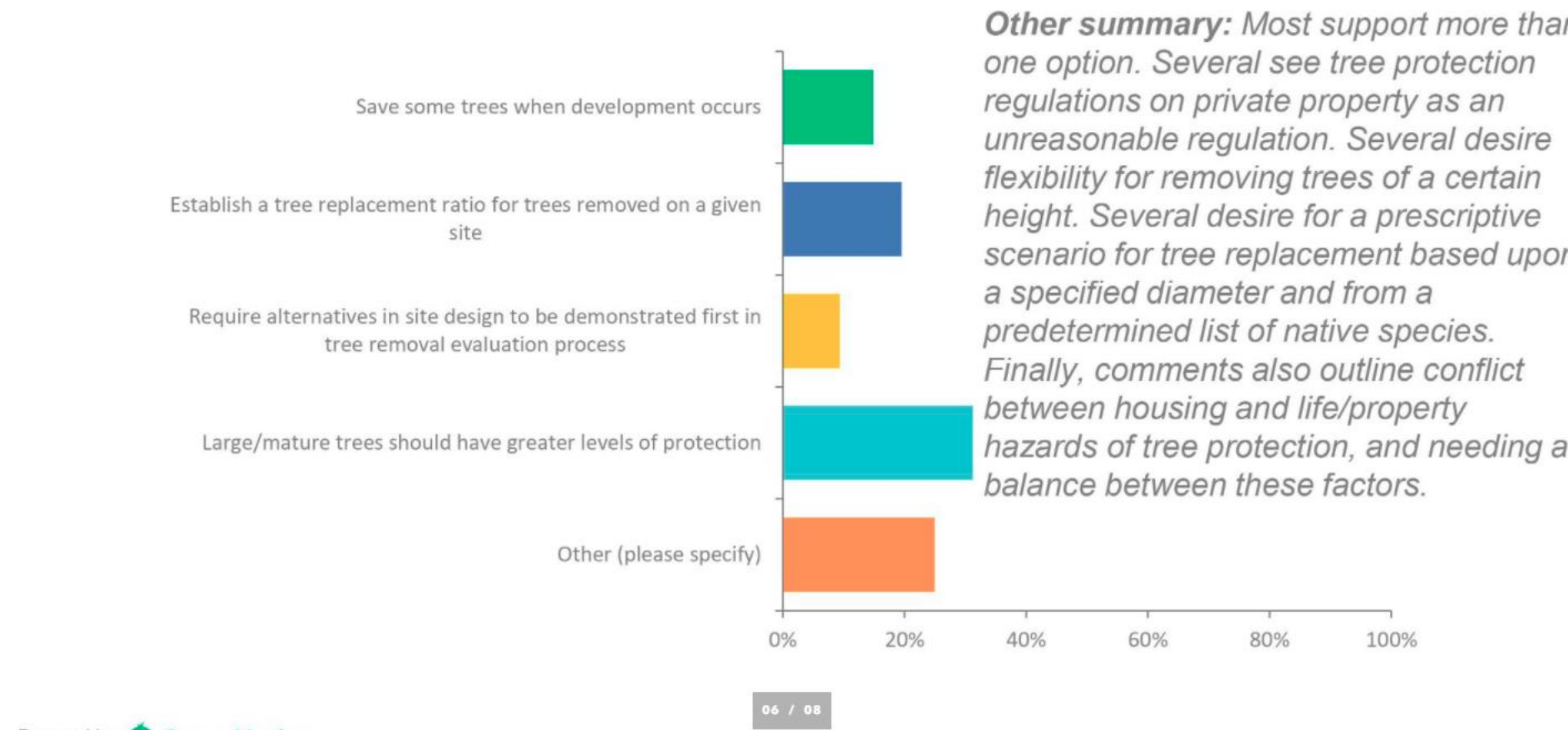
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Q3: A Heritage Tree Program can be designed to protect trees on public property (like streets, parks or near public buildings) or can include protections for trees on private property. Consider one statement that most applies in your personal opinion.



Q4: What strategy for tree retention would you most prefer the City implement in their Heritage Tree regulatory update?

Answered: 128 Skipped: 0





AMENDMENTS

- Regulating trees of a certain size, and capturing slower growing species separately
- Include definitions for tree protection zones
- Incentives for tree retention
 - A. Stormwater
 - B. Parking relief (for ADU's)



AMENDMENTS

- Creating flexibility in non-development scenarios.
- Establish development footprint standards for sites encumbered by trees
- Tree Replacement standards by zone
- Fee in-lieu option when trees cannot be placed on-site.

SCHEDULE – NEXT STEPS

Heritage Tree Ordinance – WSMC 18.40

April 2024

- **April 15:** Draft Ordinance @ Tree Board Meeting
- **April 24:** Planning Commission Worksession

May-June 2024

- Amend Code based upon Tree Board & Planning Commission feedback

July-August 2024

- **Mid July-Mid August:** Public Comment Period & SEPA Threshold Determination
- **August 28:** Planning Commission Public Hearing (tentative)

September-October 2024

- **September 11:** Planning Commission Meeting Recommendation to City Council
- City Council Work Session
- City Council Adoption

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