City of San Diego, Revisions to Street Tree Code

§62.0620 Criteria and Categories of Protected Trees
§62.0621 Measures for Protected Trees

Instructions to review group: Review and mark deletions, additions and edits on the proposed sections on Protected trees. Number and write reasons for the changes (on separate paper).

Names of reviewers: _____   _____   _____

Background* Briefly summarize the relevant existing regulations or review process.

> Definitions, provisions for nominating and approving "Protected Trees," and their management considerations are currently in Council Policy 900-19, Public Tree Protection, approved in 2005. Nominations can be submitted with online "Conserve-a-Tree Nomination Form."

Issue* Briefly summarize the issue or problem that has triggered the need for the proposed amendment. Please include any real-world project examples.

> The proposed revisions would transfer and slightly revise the provisions for protected trees from Council Policy 900-19 to codes §62.0620 and §62.0621. Most cities would incorporate these provisions into code.

> Large, mature trees provide considerable benefits to neighborhoods, with far greater tree canopy, carbon sequestration, and shade than any small or newly-planted tree. These City assets need regulatory rather than policy protection.

Objective* Provide a one or two sentence statement of what you want to achieve with the proposed revisions.

> Clarify and strengthen the designation and management of protected trees. Align City code with urban forestry practices and ANSI standards.

Solution* Briefly summarize how you propose to address the issue and achieve the objective with the proposed revisions.

> Revise and transfer the provisions to codes §62.0620 and §62.0621.

File Attachments*   Strike-through version to indicate changes.