



## Legislation Text

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Recommendation to request City Manager to have the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department and the Public Works Department review the list of trees approved for planting in parks, parkways, medians and other public properties and report back to council with a new list of approved trees.

The costs of caring for trees that are not suited to the climate in Long Beach, or their location in a parkway or median is a significant drain on city resources. As we look forward to new infrastructure and park projects funded by measure A it is important that we are using trees that are best suited to those locations. Particular attention should be paid to the following criteria when reviewing the list:

Drought tolerance

The effects of the tree's roots on curbs and sidewalks Trimming and maintenance requirements

The lifespan of the tree

Preference for California natives

Historical context of trees in neighborhoods Place making by tree types in neighborhoods

There could be significant savings by planting trees that are more suited to the local climate and that will not damage sidewalks and curbs.

Approve recommendation.

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