



**NOTICE OF JOINT SPECIAL WORK SESSION AGENDA  
LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL AND LANCASTER PLANNING  
AND ZONING COMMISSION**



**SENIOR LIFE CENTER  
240 VETERANS MEMORIAL PKWY, LANCASTER, TEXAS**

**Monday, May 1, 2017 - 7:00 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

*City Council  
Planning and Zoning Commission*

**Regular Items:**

1. Discuss various amendments related to the tree preservation and landscaping regarding adoption of a new Tree Conservation and Landscape Ordinance, repealing and replacing all other ordinances in conflict, which will provide comprehensive regulations for protected trees, streetscapes, conservation, landscaping and related maintenance of the urban and arboreal environment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The City Council reserve the right to convene into executive session on any posted agenda item pursuant to Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to seek legal advice concerning such subject.

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**CONFORME A LA SECCION 30.06 DEL CODIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO CON LICENCIA) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DEL GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO OCULTADA.**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07 PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY.**

**CONFORME A LA SECCION 30.07 DEL CODIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE CON LICENCIA) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO H,**

CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE.

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**Certificate**

**I hereby certify the above Notice of Meeting was posted at the Lancaster City Hall on April 27, 2017 @ 12:00 p.m. and copies thereof were provided to the Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tempore, Deputy Mayor Pro-Tempore and Council members.**



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Sorangel O. Arenas  
City Secretary

# LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

## City Council Joint Special Work Session

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**Meeting Date:** 05/01/2017

**Policy Statement:** This request supports the City Council 2016-2017 Policy Agenda

**Goal(s):** Healthy, Safe & Vibrant Community  
Quality Development

**Submitted by:** Bester Munyaradzi, Senior Planner

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### **Agenda Caption:**

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### **Background:**

As prescribed in the City Council rules and procedures as amended September 2016, Section D. City Council Agenda Process Subsection 1.b., Councilmember Marco Mejia requested that this item be on the agenda for the purpose of receiving input from City Council and the Planning & Zoning Commission regarding amendments to the various sections of the code addressing tree conservation and landscaping.

At the December 19, 2016 City Council Work Session, Council received a presentation from Stantec regarding the Lancaster Tree Preservation Ordinance. Council requested staff to secure the services of an Arborist to provide information regarding the species of trees on the City's approved tree list and to have further discussion regarding the Tree Preservation Ordinance. Staff secured Arborist Matt Grubisich, Director of Operations and Urban Forestry for the Texas Trees Foundation.

On February 6, 2017, Mr. Grubisich made a presentation to the City Council regarding information on the species of trees on the City approved tree list and to have further discussion regarding the Tree Preservation Ordinance. Mr. Grubisich highlighted the need to amend the entire Tree Preservation Ordinance and adopt a new Tree Preservation ordinance that will enhance and promote the health and economic viability of the City.

The City entered into a professional services agreement with Mr. Grubisich to complete an analysis and review Article 14.800, "Landscape Standards" and Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code and adopt a new Tree Conservation and Landscape Ordinance, repealing and replacing all other ordinances in conflict, which will provide comprehensive regulations for protected trees, streetscapes, conservation, landscaping and related maintenance of the urban and arboreal environment.

On April 25, 2017, Mr. Grubisich together with City staff held a Town Hall meeting to receive public input in the adoption of a new Tree Conservation and Landscape Ordinance.

Mr. Grubisich will make a presentation to City Council and the Planning & Zoning Commission.