



## MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Common Council  
From: PRD Tungate  
Date: April 17, 2014  
RE: Tree Planting Along New City Streets

### **BACKGROUND**

At the February 17, 2014 Board of Public Works meeting, the Board voted to remove street trees as part of new street construction.

### **ANALYSIS**

The Parks and Recreation Board concurred with staff that planting and maintaining street trees is an important part of any beautiful and livable community. To that end, the Park Board has recommended that as many trees as possible (approximately 50) be planted with city funds on five new city streets in 2014. Per the existing tree planting policy, residents may opt out of having a tree planted in front of their home.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact of planting approximately 50 trees along 5 new streets in 2014 is \$3,750. The funds for this initiative will come from the 2014 Forestry Division Budget where adequate funding is available. While there was not a specific item approved in the 2014 Budget for this purpose, there are funds available in the budget from the delay in hiring the newly approved Arborist.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Accept the recommendation by the Park Board listed under the Consent Agenda.