



STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 9, 2019

DISCUSSION

AGENDA ITEM: Draft Tree Trimming Policy

SUBMITTED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

BACKGROUND:

A group of students from UW-River Falls (Alex Loewen, Abigail Nyseth, and Vinnie Simone), are completing a service learning project this semester in their Urban/Local Politics course. Their professor reached out to the city in January seeking project ideas. One of the projects we gave them was to draft a tree trimming policy for the public works department.

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

Does the Council have any questions about the draft policy? Should the City adopt a tree trimming policy?

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS/OPTIONS:

Included in your packet is a draft tree trimming policy that the student put together after reviewing other communities and consulting with city staff (public works and planning). They will be at the meeting to present their recommendation and answer any questions.

Since we will be bringing on a new public works director next month, I'd recommend we have him review the policy as well before bringing it back to Council for formal adoption.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NA

ATTACHMENTS:

- Draft Tree Trimming and Removal Policy