

The Urban Forestry Commission was established to advise the Mayor and City Council concerning the establishment of policy and regulations governing the protection, management, and conservation of trees and vegetation in the City of Seattle

GOAL:

City decision-making recognizes the urban forest as a critical piece of our urban green infrastructure.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:

1. To help implement the Urban Forest Management Plan and achieve Seattle's 30% tree canopy cover goal
2. To provide feedback and recommendations to City Council and the Mayor on specific policy actions that will ensure the long-term health and viability of Seattle's urban forest
3. To suggest new city policy that will ensure the long-term health and viability of Seattle's urban forest

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

1. Letter of support to consolidate community tree planting and education programs and the creation of a new full time position within the Seattle Department of Public Utilities
2. Proposed an update to the environmental element of Seattle's Comprehensive Plan for the 2012 Annual Update
3. Provided comments to the proposed draft Shoreline Master Program Regulations

MORE INFORMATION:

For more information on the urban forestry commission visit
<http://www.seattle.gov/urbanforestrycommission/>

Seattle's urban forest is a thriving and sustainable mix of tree species and ages that creates a contiguous and healthy ecosystem that is valued and cared for by the City and all of its citizens as an essential environmental, economic, and community asset