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Members Sought for Urban Forestry Commission

SEATTLE – Mayor Greg Nickels and the Seattle City Council are looking for nine members to serve on the newly created Urban Forestry Commission.

The nine-member Urban Forestry Commission advises the mayor and City Council on policies, plans, and regulations related to the protection, management, and conservation of trees in Seattle.

The commission is composed of a wildlife biologist, urban ecologist, natural resource agency or university representative, hydrologist, arborist, landscape architect, development community or non-city utility representative, and an economist, financial analyst or realtor. The mayor will appoint four members subject to City Council confirmation, City Council will appoint four members, and these eight members will appoint the ninth member.

Commission meetings will be held monthly. Commission members generally must commit approximately 10 hours per month to commission business. Interested applicants must be Seattle residents, and commission members serve without compensation. Those interested in being considered should send a letter of interest and resume by Sept. 18, 2009.

In keeping with Mayor Nickels' "Paper Cuts" program, electronic submissions are preferred. E-mail your letter and resume to: tracy.morgenstern@seattle.gov or mail them to:

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Mayor Nickels and the City Council are committed to promoting diversity on the city's boards and commissions. Women, youth, persons with disabilities, sexual and gender minorities, persons of color, and immigrants are encouraged to apply.

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