



Legislation Text

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Environmental Quality Commission Meeting Date: March 14, 2019

To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Justin Wagner, Utilities Manager

Consider a motion Proclaiming April 26, 2019 as Arbor Day in Northfield

Action Requested:

The Northfield Environmental Quality Commission is to consider a motion to Proclaim April 26, 2019 as Arbor Day in Northfield.

Summary Report:

EQC members are to discuss considering a motion that would send the attached resolution to the City Council that would proclaim April 26, 2019 as Arbor Day in Northfield.

The City of Northfield urban forest is a large asset of which the City can be proud. The trees throughout Northfield are beneficial in numerous ways including reducing erosion, decreasing cooling costs, and providing wildlife habitat as well as increasing property values of homes. Recognizing and protecting this asset can assure the residents of the continued existence of the urban forest.

To enhance the urban forest, the City of Northfield will once again be holding a Shade Tree Sale. The sale will run from April 1st through April 26th, and the trees can be ordered by stopping by the Street and Park Maintenance Facility, 1710 Riverview Drive, Monday through Friday from 7:00AM - 4:00PM. The trees will be planted, weather permitting, Saturday, May 18, 2019. The planting will be done as a volunteer effort. The Men of Northfield, along with Cannon Valley Tree Service, will be planting the trees.

This proclamation is one component necessary for the 2019 Tree City USA application. The City of Northfield has been recognized as a Tree City USA 17 times previously.