

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

July 10, 2023

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Programs & Services Committees through their Chair Joshua Krintzman, the following item be and is hereby voted NO ACTION NECESSARY:

**#207-23**

**Citizens Group Petition on Chapter 21, Art. III, Division 3**

PAT IRWIN ET AL., petitioning pursuant to Article 10, Sec. 10-2 of the City of Newton Charter, that the Newton City Council amend the City's Tree Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 21, Article 3, Division 3) to apply the following protection regulations to all healthy, not dangerous trees 6 inches DBH (diameter at breast height) and larger on all properties in the City not owned by the State or Federal Government: require planting replacement or cash payment to mitigate the environmental and health damages to abutters from tree removal; waiver of the payment or replacement requirement only if the application process provides acceptable certification that the protected tree is dead, diseased, dangerous, or that removal of the tree will improve the overall health of the tree canopy; protection of trees on lots adjacent to construction sites; and owners of abutting properties shall be notified of each tree-removal application.

Under Suspension of Rules

Readings Waived and Item Voted No Action Necessary

21 yeas 0 nays 3 absent (Councilors Danberg, Gentile, and Kalis)



(SGD) CAROL MOORE

City Clerk