

Chapter 13

MOSCOW TREE COMMISSION

- Sec. 13-1: Purpose
- Sec. 13-2: Commission Established
- Sec. 13-3: Organization
- Sec. 13-4: Duties
- Sec. 13-5: Coordination and Communication
- Sec. 13-6 Funding

Sec. 13-1: Purposes.

The Moscow Tree Commission shall advise the Mayor and the Council regarding preservation, protection and management of the community forest of the City, act as an appellate body for licensing and/or certification pursuant to the Community Forestry Ordinance and shall coordinate its activities regarding public trees and public parks by communicating with the Community Forestry Administrator. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06; 2007-16, 12/03/2007)

Sec. 13-2. Commission Established.

A Commission of seven (7) citizens shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council to serve three (3) year appointments with staggered terms. The Community Forestry Administrator shall serve as staff representative. A Council member shall be appointed to serve as Council liaison. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06; 2007-16, 12/03/2007)

Sec. 13-3. Organization.

The Moscow Tree Commission shall elect a chair, vice chair, and secretary from within its membership, shall hold regular public meetings as required by the chair, and shall cause the secretary to maintain a written record of its deliberations and proceedings. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06)

Sec. 13-4. Duties.

A. The Moscow Tree Commission shall be advisory in nature with the purpose of providing advice to the Mayor and the Council as to the preservation, protection and management of the

community forest of the City, in accordance with the intents and purposes of this Chapter.

- B. The Moscow Tree Commission will report its findings and recommendations to the Mayor and Council as requested by the Mayor and the Council, or as in appropriate.
- C. The Moscow Tree Commission shall hear appeals from license and/or certification applicants who are aggrieved of some action or omission taking place pursuant to the license/certification procedures of the Community Forestry Ordinance.
- D. The Moscow Tree Commission shall hear appeals from controllers and/or licensees who are aggrieved by the granting or denial of a permit required by this Code.
- E. The Moscow Tree Commission will help develop and implement educational and other programs addressing community forestry issues. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06; 2007-16, 12/03/2007)

Sec. 13-5. Coordination and Communication.

The Moscow Tree Commission will coordinate its activities regarding public trees in public parks by communicating with the Moscow Parks and Recreation Commission and the Community Forestry Administrator. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06; 2007-16, 12/03/2007)

Sec. 13-6. Funding.

The Moscow Tree Commission shall recommend an annual budget to the Mayor and the Council. The Moscow Tree Commission is authorized to seek outside funding for its projects as may be approved by the Council in accordance with City budgetary procedures. (Ord. 2006-02, 02/06/06)