



# City of Oregon City

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## Staff Report

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**Status:** ATS Review

**To:** Planning Commission

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**From:** Planner Pete Walter

**File Type:** Report

**SUBJECT:**

Update to the Oregon City Street Tree List

**RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):**

Consideration and recommendation for approval by resolution of the City Commission.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Natural Resources Committee has been working on updates to the Oregon City Street Tree List since late 2012. After numerous revisions, the NRC unanimously recommended approval of the attached list at their last meeting on June 19, 2013. The updated draft list includes several new species of trees, and has eliminated several species from the existing list which have proven to be problematic, such as Norway Maple. The updated draft list was compiled based on many hours of research by city staff, volunteers, and other groups. A variety of sources were referenced, including more up-to-date regional municipal street tree lists, the Metro "Trees for Green Streets" manual, and OSU Horticulture Department website.

Special thanks to Erik Carr of Clackamas Soil and Water District, who also serves as NRC Tree Sub-Committee Chair and is a Certified Arborist, and also to Bryon Boyce, NRC Chair, and all members of the NRC.

The current list, which is attached for comparison, was adopted by Resolution 98-14.

Staff will provide further background on the proposed draft list and related materials at the Planning Commission meeting. We welcome any comments or questions about the draft.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

Amount: N/A

FY(s):

Funding Source: