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Tree Preservation gets a Public Hearing

The Town of Vienna is seeking community input on proposed changes to the Town's zoning code aimed at preserving the Town's tree canopy. The changes address growing concerns about the impact of residential construction projects that have contributed to a 13 percent reduction in Vienna's tree canopy from 2011 to 2021. The proposed code changes would provide incentives for developers to preserve existing trees, rather than to replace existing trees with new, younger trees. Proposed code changes also allow for restructuring the Town's Tree Board and expanding its role.

Residents, builders and other community members are invited to share their thoughts about the proposed code changes at a Planning Commission public hearing on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. in the Chambers at Town Hall, 127 Center St, S., Vienna, Virginia, 22180. Public feedback from the forum will be used to help inform the Planning Commission's tree code recommendations to the Vienna Town Council. Background information and the two proposed code change options are available online at www.viennava.gov/treehearing.

Questions should be directed to the Town of Vienna Planning and Zoning office. Email Director David Levy at David.Levy@viennava.gov or call 703-255-6300.

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