

**City of Minneapolis**  
**Request for Committee Action**

**To:** Health, Environment & Community Engagement  
**Date:** 10/19/2015  
**Referral:** Ways & Means  
**From:** Health Department  
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**File type:** Action  
**Subcategory:** Grant

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**Subject:**

Receive revenue from Environmental Initiative for Urban Forestry Project to plant trees on commercial properties.

**Description:**

Authorizing receipt of \$10,000 from Environmental Initiative to support the Urban Forestry Project by planting trees on commercial properties , and increase both the revenue estimate in fund/department 01600-8600155 (revenue code 372001) and the 2015 appropriation in fund/department 01600-8600155 by \$10,000.

**Previous Actions:**

None

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**Ward/Neighborhood/Address:**

All Wards

Select a neighborhood.

**Background/Analysis:**

The Department is requesting to receive up to \$10,000 from the Environmental Initiative (EI) to support the Urban Forestry Project. This project was started as a way to address the quarter million trees that are estimated to be eliminated in the city over the next decade due to emerald ash borer, and specifically looks at adding to the urban canopy by planting trees at businesses and commercial properties. The Urban Forestry Project partners with a local non-profit, Tree Trust, to locate, select trees and plant on commercial properties in the city. The funding from EI will allow the project to plant an additional 60 trees this season.

**Financial Review:**

**Additional appropriation required.**

**Future budget impact anticipated.**

Enter future budget impact

**Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.**

**Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.**

Enter SUPB goals explanation.

