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TRUAC Meeting #9

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Agenda

1. Declaration of Actual or Potential Conflicts (5 Minutes)
2. Public Comment (15 Minutes)
3. Overview of Voting Process (10 Minutes)
4. Vote on the Recommended Tree Preservation Standards to the Planning Commission and City Council
 - Staff Presentation on the Recommendations (5 minutes)
 - Committee Vote on Recommendations (60 Minutes)
5. Finalize List of Additional Recommendations to City Council that are Outside of the Project Scope (10 Minutes)
6. Thank You and Next Steps (10 Minutes)



Public Comment (15 Minutes)



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Overview of Voting Process

Councilor Megan Perkins and Mary Winters (10 Minutes)



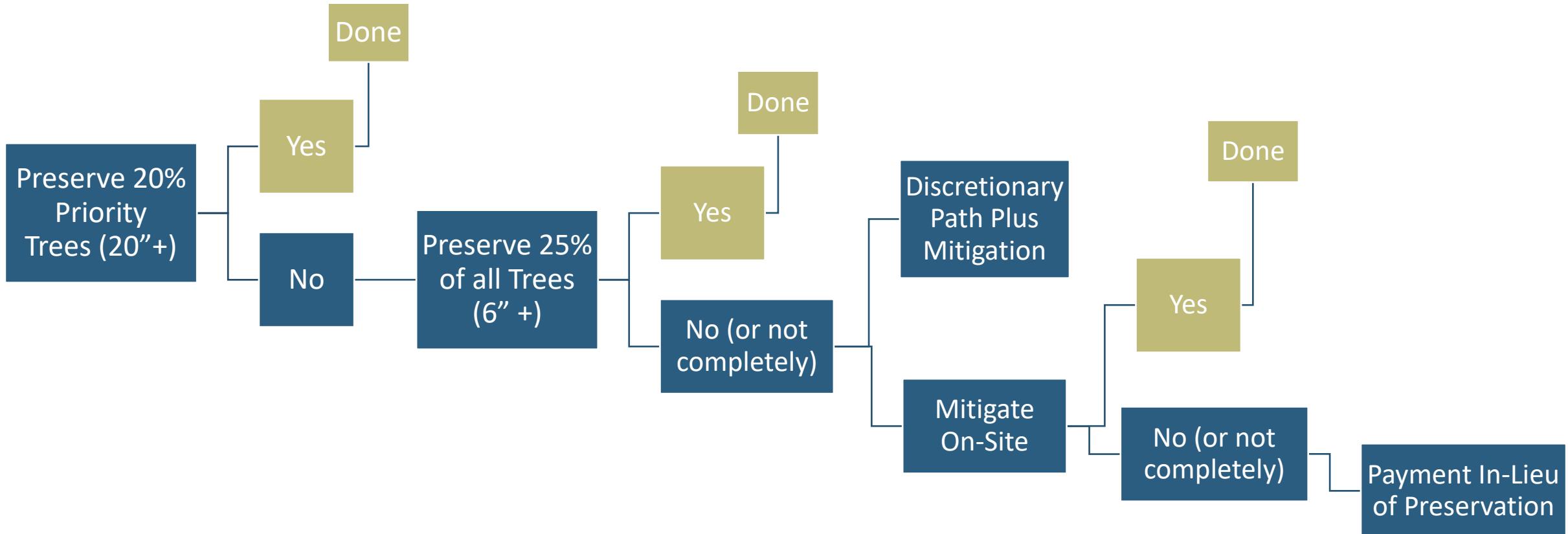
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Staff Presentation on the Recommendations (5 Minutes)



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Tree Preservation Flow Chart



Can be a combination of these

Tree Preservation Recommendations

- A. Size of Regulated Trees to be Inventoried and Mapped:** 6" or larger (Deciduous & Coniferous)
- B. Size of Priority Trees:** 20" or larger (Deciduous & Coniferous)
- C. Sites Exempted from Preserving Trees On-site:** *Committee members split on one-half acre vs. one acre.* When a site is exempt, mitigation will still be required.
- D. Minimum Lot Size:** Sites larger than an exempted site must preserve at least 5% of the DBH on a site before opting for the mitigation path or apply for a discretionary approval path with mitigation.
- E. Preservation and Mitigation Options:**

Option 1. Percent of Priority Trees to be Preserved: 20%

Option 2. Percent of Regulated Trees to be Preserved: 25% of the total diameter at breast height (DBH)

Option 3. On-Site Tree Replacement Ratio. Mitigation trees are required on-site to make up for anything less than the 25% DBH required in Option 2. The mitigation required to meet the standard is based on the largest tree or trees proposed for removal that equal or exceed the required DBH. The following is the tree replacement ratios:

- 6" to 9.9" DBH: One Tree
- 10" to 19.9" DBH: Two Trees
- 20" DBH or larger: Four Trees

Option 4. Payment In-Lieu of Tree Preservation. Staff will establish a program & payment amount.



**Vote on the Recommended Tree
Preservation Standards to the
Planning Commission and City
Council
(60 Minutes)**



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Recommended Motion

“I move that TRUAC recommend the tree preservation standards set forth in Attachment B be included in draft amendments to the Bend Code to be considered by the Planning Commission and City Council.”



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Additional Recommendations Outside of Scope

- Add Urban Forestry function and/or arborist to City staff during budget process
- Research "Tree Friendly Community" guidelines/status
- Review and amend as needed engineering standards to encourage tree preservation:
 - ROW widths
 - Utility easements
 - Curb-tight sidewalks instead of property-tight
- Publish optimal tree spacing for newly planted trees, including below-grade space for root growth



Thank You and Next Steps (10 Minutes)



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Tentative Schedule

- **Public Outreach** –January
- **Planning Commission work session and hearing** – February
- **City Council work session and public hearing** – 1st Quarter 2024



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