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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(11) Nay(2) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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#### Impact Information

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Summary: The Greater Valley Glen Council is deeply concerned with the declining condition of the City's urban forest and canopy. There have been a number of motions in the past several years to address the deficiencies in the management of our Urban Forest that have been adopted by City council, but have gone nowhere. Our City has not kept up with new changes and trends in arboriculture and urban forest management. We endorse: efforts to hire a Director of Community Forestry along with supporting staff (CF 18-0988); the development of the various reports back to Council in support of the preservation of private trees affected by development projects (CF 18-0499-S1); and the development of the various reports from the Bureau of Street Services regarding the maintenance of existing and the planting of additional City trees as well as prioritization of the preservation of healthy City trees affected by sidewalk repairs (CF 15-0467-S8.) In addition, HOWEVER, these efforts require the assistance of a qualified outside professional consultancy service specializing in urban arboriculture (for example, Arbor Pro or Davey Trees); with due attention to other cities' successful implementation of programs that support their urban forests; and that the various reports as called for, after consultation with the affected entities and personages involved, be completed by a deadline certain as agreed to.