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Summary: The Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council (ASNC) stands in firm opposition to this proposed draft ordinance, which adds Section 62.177 to the Los Angeles Municipal Code, establishing a tree replacement in-lieu fee to satisfy the city's tree planting requirements. There are shortcomings in this proposed ordinance that do not support a strong urban forest as a resource.

The City of Los Angeles's tree canopy is one of the smallest of any major city, and thousands of trees continue to be permitted for removal citywide each year. While cities such as Sacramento, Santa Monica, Pasadena, New York, Chicago, Minneapolis and San Francisco surge ahead to protect and build their urban tree canopies, Los Angeles continues to chip away at the city's leafy umbrella.

We urge the City to reconsider this ill-conceived policy, and to adopt policies which support its often-stated concern with climate change and which protect and enhance this precious and dwindling natural resource.