



**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK  
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)  
WAC 197-11-340**

**Description of proposal:** This is a non-project action for adopting revisions to LFPMC 16.14, Tree Canopy Preservation and Enhancement. The draft amendments create a well-defined permitting path for property owners seeking to remove individual significant trees in abutting rights-of-way (ROW). The draft amendments also create a well-defined permitting path for agencies that are making application to remove multiple trees for large scale projects that necessitate tree removal of trees with the right-of-way (ROW) and adjacent privately owned lots. The draft regulations also define the ROW corridor as 500 feet on either side of the ROW, adjusting for Lake Washington; require a replacement of the canopy coverage that will be lost from the project; and require a 3-year maintenance and monitoring plan. The draft ordinance also prioritizes where replanting occurs. It is anticipated that these regulations will be very similar to Lake Forest Park Ordinance No. 23-1271 which adopted interim regulations on May 22, 2023.

**File number:** 2023-SEPA-0005

**Proponent:** City of Lake Forest Park

**Location of proposal, including street address, if any:** This is a non-project action. The regulations in Ch. 16.14 and the proposed amendments apply to properties that include or are within the city limits of Lake Forest Park as well as areas within the city's right of way.

**Lead Agency:** City of Lake Forest Park, 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2) (c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. Information related to this decision is available to the public upon request (contact Nick Holland at [nholland@cityoflfp.com](mailto:nholland@cityoflfp.com)) and available online at <https://www.cityoflfp.com/313/Notices-and-Announcements>.

**Public Comment:** The City Council will hold a public hearing on these amendments prior to adopting the regulations.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340. The lead agency will not act on this proposal until the comment and appeal periods have expired. Comments on this determination must be submitted by 14 days after the determination has been issued.

**Responsible official:** Steve Bennett

**Position/Title:** Planning Director

**Address:** 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park, and WA 98155

**Date:** July 7, 2023

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



You may appeal this determination to Matthew McLean, City Clerk, at 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155, no later than 14-days after this decision has been issued by written appeal and \$500 filing fee. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact Nick Holland at [nholland@cityoflfp.com](mailto:nholland@cityoflfp.com) to ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.

**Notice date:** July 7, 2023