

Amending §16-103 Committee on Trees,
Parks, and Environment.
Sponsored by: Councilmember Verrill

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 19-O-05

Resolution and Ordinance of the Town of University Park to amend Chapter 16 “Tree Maintenance”, by repealing and re-enacting § 16-103, “Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment” of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of University Park, to clarify that membership in the committee is open to all residents of the Town and that all residents of the Town are encouraged to adopt installation, removal and maintenance practices that promote and protect healthy trees on private land.

WHEREAS, pursuant to §5-202 of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of University Park have the power to pass such ordinances as deemed necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the municipality and to prevent and remove nuisances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council have adopted a Welcoming Town policy;
and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council have adopted Chapter 16 of the Town Code, “Tree Maintenance” to protect the trees on public property in the Town; and

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law

* * Asterisks* * indicate existing law which are unchanged but not set forth in the ordinance

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED BY AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED
ORDINANCE

~~[Brackets]~~ indicate matter deleted by amendment to the proposed ordinance

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council adopted § 16-103, “Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment”, to establish a committee to review all matters concerning Town trees and to sponsor educational activities; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council wish to clarify that membership in the committee is open to all residents of the Town and that all residents of the Town are encouraged to adopt installation, removal and maintenance practices that promote and protect healthy trees on private land.

Section 1: NOW THEREFORE be it resolved and ordained by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of University Park that Chapter 16 “Tree Maintenance”, § 16-103 “Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment ”, of the Code of the Town of University Park, be repealed, re-enacted and amended to read as follows:

§ 16-103 Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment.

The Town Council does hereby establish a special Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment, for the review of all matters concerning Town trees as defined in this chapter, and other responsibilities as determined by the Council. The Committee, which is to be appointed by the Mayor with consent of the Council, will consist of Council members and [citizens] RESIDENTS of the Town with particular expertise or interest in trees, parks and environment. The Committee is also authorized to sponsor educational activities that:

- A. Increase public appreciation of the aesthetic, historical, and ecological value of trees on public and private land; and
- B. Encourage [citizens] RESIDENTS of the Town to adopt installation, removal and maintenance practices that promote and protect healthy trees on private land.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this resolution shall become effective twenty (20) days after enactment by the Mayor and Common Council of University Park.

Section 3: Be it further resolved that a complete and exact copy of this proposed Ordinance shall be posted on the entrance door of the Town Building of University Park,

Maryland, for a period of not less than ten (10) days, and a fair summary of this Ordinance shall be published at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the community.

APPROVED this 3rd day of June, 2019.

ATTEST:

MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL
TOWN OF UNIVERSITY PARK

Andreea Marantch

By: [Signature]
Lenford C. Carey, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By: [Signature]
Suellen M. Ferguson, Town Attorney