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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Department of Development Services

DCM: Cassey Ogden

DATE: October 13, 2025

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding tree canopy goals contained within the Denton Development Code Subsection 7.7.2 and the Urban Forest Master Plan.

BACKGROUND

On September 8, 2025, the Development Code Review Committee (DCRC) held a discussion regarding tree canopy goals established with the adoption of the City of Denton's 2020 Urban Forest Master Plan (UFMP). Staff also provided an overview of the City's most recent tree canopy data (2024), information on current City-managed planting efforts, and future canopy projections based on these plantings.

As part of the discussion, the DCRC directed staff to bring back an item reviewing the City's tree canopy goals as stated in the Denton Development Code (DDC) and in the Urban Forest Master Plan. At the October 13, 2025 DCRC meeting, staff will provide an overview of DDC Subsection 7.7.2: Intent as well as the tree canopy goals stated in the UFMP. In addition, staff will provide an overview of Tree Equity Scores and the intent to shift towards this utilizing this metric more frequently as the City continues to refine tree canopy goals.

At the end of the discussion, staff will seek consensus on next steps as it relates to the tree canopy goals contained within the DDC.

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. DDC 7.7.2 – Intent
3. Draft Presentation (finalized version will be distributed at meeting)

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