



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

New Planning Code Summary: Street Tree Transfer

Amended Sections: 138.1
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Summary of Planning Code Amendment:

The Department of Public Works (DPW) is now the lead agency for the implementation of the City's Street Tree requirement. The Department of Building Inspection will add a routing station for DPW review and DPW will require street trees as necessary or impose in-lieu fees when applicable.

The Way It Was:

1. Planning Code Section 138.1 established, and the Planning Department implemented, the street tree requirement.
2. Planning Code Section 138.1 outlined the circumstances under which a waiver from the street tree requirement could be granted.
3. Planning Code Section 428 authorized the Planning Department to apply an in-lieu fee in the case of a waiver from the street tree requirement.

The Way It Is Now:

1. Planning Code Section 138.1 indicates that the Public Works Code (PWC) establishes the street tree requirement. The Department of Public Works (DPW) will implement the requirements found in the PWC.
2. The PWC outlines the circumstances under which a waiver from the street tree requirement may be granted.
3. Planning Code Section 428 is removed from the Planning Code and the PWC authorizes the DPW to apply an in-lieu fee in the case of a waiver from the street tree requirement.

Link to signed legislation:

<https://sfgov.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=3873590&GUID=49982354-41B3-492C-8B34-5A791C763723>