

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village Council Meeting
7/21/2015

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
Council Member New Business - Community Tree Sale	Nan Newlon Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

At the request of Commissioner Waldack, a proposal to conduct an annual community tree sale has been placed on the New Business Agenda. Pursuant to Village Council policy, this topic shall be a discussion item only to allow for the Council to direct staff to prepare a report for consideration at a later date.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The 2011-2018 goals include Steward of Financial and Environmental Sustainability.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of this proposal would vary depending on the level of involvement by the Village and others including potentially other units of government and volunteers.

RECOMMENDATION

Action at the discretion of the Village Council.

BACKGROUND

Commissioner Waldack requested that the Council discuss a proposal to conduct an annual tree sale. The proposal is as follows:

I would like to propose that Staff research the possibility of holding a Tree Sale, probably around next Arbor Day, like the Naperville Arbor Day Tree Sale. Naperville leverages purchases from a Tree Consortium and offers a wide variety of trees ranging in price from \$25 to \$50, held at their Public Works area. Residents pay for the trees and plant them on their property.

I might suggest the possibility of pre-order to avoid the Village having too many trees left over. Basic info may be found at <http://www.naperville.il.us/arbordaytreesale.aspx> and clicking on the "hundreds of trees..." will link to a pdf that describes the trees and prices.