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OVERVIEW OF THE URBAN FOREST STRATEGY

Kevin Rankin, Forestry Supervisor provided a presentation concerning the City's Urban Forest Strategy.

Mr. Rankin discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The City's urban forest and street tree inventory as of 2013;
- Bar graphs illustrating the tree inventory by species from 2004 - 2013;
- The publics' input and concerns associated to the Urban Forest Management Plan;
- The strategic objectives for the Urban Forest Management Plan;
- The implementation plan for the Urban Forest Management from 2014 - 2019;
- A list of organizations partnering with the City;
- A map and aerial photographs illustrating the Urban Forest Canopy Assessment in 2013 and 2018;
- Maps illustrating the areas Emerald Ash Borer were detected from 2014 to 2018;
- A map illustrating the areas that Ash Trees were removed in 2018;
- An update and drawings illustrating the Arboretum Master Plan; and
- A look forward to 2019-2020 for the Urban Forest Master Plan.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions and received responses from Mr. Rankin.