

ORDINANCE NO. 2/5

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A
SHADE TREE COMMISSION

The Council of the Borough of Patterson Heights hereby ordains and enacts as follows:

Shade Tree Commission

101. Purpose

It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote and protect the public health, safety and welfare by providing for the regulation of the planting, maintenance and removal of trees, shrubs and other vegetation within the Borough of Patterson Heights.

102. Shade Tree Commission

- A. Creation. A Shade Tree Commission is hereby established.
- B. Membership. The Commission shall have five members, two (2) of whom shall be members of Borough Council. Members of the Commission shall be appointed by Borough Council.
- C. Term of Office. A member of the Commission shall serve for a term of five (5) years, except these terms shall be staggered so that one member's term expires each year. Vacancies in the office of Commissioner will be filled by the Borough Council for the unexpired portion of the term. A member shall remain in office until his or her successor is appointed, or until removed by the Borough Council.
- D. Officers and Actions. Members of the Commission shall elect a chairman, vice chairman and such other officers as they may deem necessary. The Commission shall keep a written record of its meetings and provide Borough Council with minutes and annual or other reports of its activities as may be requested or required.

- E. Compensation. A member of the Commission shall serve without any compensation.

103. Functions.

The Shade Tree Commission shall have the following responsibilities and authority:

- A. To propose regulations as to the planting, replanting, maintenance and removal of shade trees.

- B. To enforce such regulations as are approved by the Borough Council.
- C. To generally oversee the care and protection of the shade trees of the Borough.
- D. To plant, transplant and remove shade trees along the public streets of the Borough.
- E. To perform such other functions relating to shade trees and shrubs as directed by Council.
- F. To ascertain and to certify to the Council the amount of the costs of planting, transplanting or removing shade trees along public streets, and such other related work as may be done by the Commission.
- G. To report annually and in full to the Council on all its transactions and expenses for the preceding fiscal year.

204. Penalties.

The Commission shall have the authority to assess penalties for the violation of approved regulations relating to shade trees. The maximum amount of any such penalty shall be six hundred dollars. (\$600.00).

205. Final Regulations.

No regulation proposed by the Commission shall be in force until it has been approved by the Borough Council.

206. Authority.

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Sections 2721-2730 and 2741-2743 of the Borough Code.

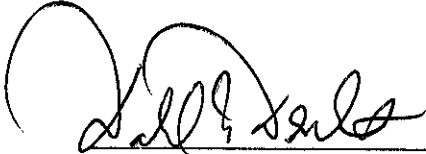
207. Effective Date.

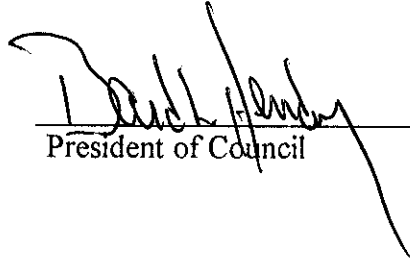
This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 6th day of May, 1996.

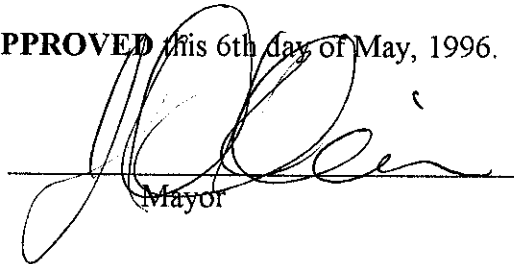
ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS


Secretary


President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED this 6th day of May, 1996.


Mayor