Hello,

I would like to register my support for Ordinance 220961.

Not only do they make city streets more pleasant to look at, they make experiencing the city more pleasant on foot from an aesthetic standpoint as well as comfortability due to the shade they provide.

The urban heat island effect wherein lack of trees and expanses of concrete causes those areas to be many degrees warmer than others with good tree coverage is well-documented, and so is the science that says temperatures are going to continue to rise in our city due to climate change. Denying the importance of a strong urban canopy is akin to climate change denial.

And beyond their scientific importance to our health, ALL neighborhoods in the city deserve the beautification trees and greenery bring to a streetscape.

Thanks, Heather Haavisto

Sent from my iPhone