

[Title 19 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION](#)

[Chapter 19.08 TREE PRESERVATION*](#)

19.08.010 Purpose and intent.

A. The eucalyptus, palm, oak, sycamore, pine and other trees growing within the city are a natural aesthetic resource which help define the character of the city. Such trees are worthy of protection in order to preserve the scenic beauty, prevent soil erosion, provide shade, wind protection, screening and counteract air pollution. It is pertinent to the public peace, harmony and welfare that such trees be protected from indiscriminate cutting or removal, especially where such trees are associated with a proposal for development.

B. It is the intent of this chapter to establish regulations for the preservation of heritage trees within the city on private property in order to retain as many trees as possible consistent with the purpose of this chapter and the reasonable economic enjoyment of such property.

C. In particular, the eucalyptus windrows are a unique inheritance whose cumulative value as a windbreak system is a desirable resource. It is the intent of this chapter to perpetuate a windbreak system through protection of selected blue gum eucalyptus windrows and expansion of the system through planting of new spotted gum eucalyptus windrows along the established grid pattern, as development occurs. (Ord. 276 § 2 (part), 1986)