

**From:** [Pat Spring](#)  
**To:** [Public Testimony](#)  
**Subject:** Support Ordinance 220961  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 3, 2023 7:06:24 PM

---

I strongly support proposed ordinance 220961 to conserve and protect trees in our city.

I especially support its emphasis on protecting existing trees and their ecosystems, and hope that the city will defend them against developers' attempts to buy their way out of compliance with the ordinance's intent.

Other laudable elements of the ordinance include requirements for a diversity of native species (88-424-05.2), careful and monitored planning processes (88-424-06), and repeated timely inspections of construction sites (88-424-09). To prevent the careless destruction of plant and animal life at construction sites, I believe the city will have to monitor contractors very closely and proactively. I suggest it may help to produce educational materials, such as multilingual posters on site, that instruct and remind workers what practices are required or prohibited (88-424-09A and B) and why.

Thank you for your work to conserve our urban forest ecosystems.

Pat Spring  
5645 Holmes St  
KC MO 64110