Background re Koretz/Bonin Motion to Strengthen the Protected Tree Ordinance (prepared by Lisa Cahill, Palisades Deputy, CD11 – July 16, 2018)

The background behind this motion is that the Protected Tree Ordinance needed to be made stronger. This is part of the overall work that our office is doing to help the urban forest. Most of this will (hopefully) be a part of the Urban Forest Master Plan. That is a citywide plan that is currently being worked on by many NGO's, City depts. and Council offices and is headed up by the Community Forestry Advisory Council (CFAC). The Councilmember's focus is to create legislation and work with City depts. to create a more comprehensive overall strategy for our urban forest. The motion to strengthen the Protected Tree Ordinance is one step in that direction.