



**AGENDA MEMO**  
**(10/04/2016 AGENDA)**

**DATE:** September 29, 2016

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Gerry Bradley, Director of Parks and Recreation

**SUBJECT:** Proclamation – Arbor Day 2016

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**BACKGROUND:**

Since 1982, the City of University Park has planted over 3900 trees within our community as part of the very successful “Trees for Town” program as well as the planting of trees as part of our citywide re-forestation program. In an effort to continue to demonstrate our city’s commitment to the health, wellbeing and aesthetics of our community, staff is requesting City Council consider the approval of a proclamation establishing Friday, November 4, 2016 as “**Arbor Day**” in the City of University Park. This will be the 12<sup>th</sup> year the City has observed this program and the 11<sup>th</sup> year as being recognized by the National Arbors Day Foundation as a “Tree City USA” community.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff is requesting City Council approve the proclamation establishing Arbor Day in the City of University Park on Friday, November 4, 2016. Staff believes that this will be an excellent opportunity to remind residents of the importance of planting trees during this time of year.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Proclamation