

SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Environmental Services

Natural Resources

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: James L. Ley, County Administrator

FROM: Theresa A. Connor, P.E., Executive Director

DATE: July 8, 2008

SUBJECT: A Public Hearing in connection with extension of the Sunset Clause of the Sarasota Street Tree Protection Ordinance

RECOMMENDED MOTION(S) OR ACTION(S):

Public Hearing to consider proposed amending Ordinance No. 88-002, as amended and codified in Chapter (98), Article (III), Section (98-91) of the County Code, to extend the Sunset Date related to the Street Tree Protection Ordinance.

SUMMARY:

Section 98-71 of the Sarasota County Code, entitled "Street Trees," authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to regulate and protect trees planted or naturally occurring within the transportation rights-of-way, countywide.

Section 98-71 will be automatically repealed on September 11, 2008, unless amended or ratified by the Board. The attached proposed Ordinance amends Section 98-91 Sunset Provision by extending the repeal date to September 11, 2009.

Any public hearing held under this request is strictly limited to the issue of the Sunset Clause of the Sarasota Tree Protection Ordinance, and will not impose an economic impact of any nature. A full Economic Impact Statement will accompany any future request to consider updates, modifications or revisions to the Ordinance.