



# Commission of the Deaf Memorandum

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**TO: COMMISSION OF THE DEAF** **DATE: APRIL 10, 2024**

**FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** **WARDS: ALL**

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, URBAN FORESTRY & LANDSCAPE  
DIVISION INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION**

**ISSUE:**

Receive an informational presentation about the Public Works Department, Urban Forestry & Landscape Division.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission of the Deaf receive an informational presentation about the Public Works Department, Urban Forestry and Landscape Division.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

On January 24, 2023, the City Council approved the recommendation to introduce an ordinance establishing a Commission of the Deaf, and the first reading of the ordinance adding Chapter 2.100, Commission of the Deaf, to the City's Municipal Code, was held. The final ordinance was adopted on February 7, 2023.

Receiving this presentation is in compliance with Ordinance No. 7623, Section 2.100.040 "Powers, Duties and Functions" which states in part:

- C. Render advise and assistance as requested to other City boards and commissions and to City departments on matters affecting members of the deaf community.

**DISCUSSION:**

Public Works Department, Urban Forestry & Landscape staff will present to the Commission an overview of the division and its various duties and responsibilities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this presentation.

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Attachments:

1. Presentation
2. Urban Forestry Policy Manual