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Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with Tree Pittsburgh for the purpose of supporting Tree Pittsburgh's efforts to promote and advance the City of Pittsburgh's Urban Forest Master Plan.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Tree Pittsburgh pursuant to which Tree Pittsburgh will organize and manage several tree related activities and the City of Pittsburgh Shade Tree Commission is authorized to provide funding in an amount up to \$109,143.00. Funds shall be chargeable to and payable from the following Shade Tree Commission Trust Fund: 28053.4000285300.53.53725.2019. The form and substance of a Cooperation Agreement is subject to the approval of the City Solicitor as to form and substance.

Whereas, Tree Pittsburgh is a full-partner with the Pittsburgh Shade Tree Commission and the City of Pittsburgh to care and maintain the trees within the City of Pittsburgh.

Whereas, Tree Pittsburgh in cooperation with the Pittsburgh Shade Tree Commission in accordance with the City of Pittsburgh has developed a comprehensive approach to managing the City's trees, including but not limited to providing tree care events, tree planting events, advancing Tree Tender training, increasing awareness of the importance of trees in regard to storm water and shade canopy and electing to fundraise on a regular basis to provide funding assistance with tree care to the City of Pittsburgh Forestry Division.

Whereas, Tree Pittsburgh has the full support in the form of motions of the Shade Tree Commission to provide \$109,143.00 in funding assistance for various tree related projects in 2018-2019.

Whereas, The City and the Shade Tree Commission have agreed to cooperate with Tree Pittsburgh (collectively "the Project Partners") by providing funding and co-project management to advance Forestry efforts as outlined in the City of Pittsburgh's Urban Forest Master Plan.