



# Agenda Item

## City Council

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

**THRU:** Tom Kisela, City Manager

**FROM:** Christopher Cash, Public Works Director

### **1. SUBJECT**

Designation of July 26, 2025, as Arbor Day in the City of Orange. Resolution No. 11613.

### **2. SUMMARY**

Adoption of Resolution No. 11613 will designate July 26th, 2025, as a day to commemorate Arbor Day in the City of Orange.

### **3. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Adopt Resolution No. 11613. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange designating July 26th, 2025, as Arbor Day.

### **4. FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

### **5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Goal 3: Enhance Public Communication Strategy and Quality of Life

Goal 5: Improve Infrastructure, Mobility, and Technology.

### **6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND**

The City of Orange has celebrated Arbor Day for more than 30 years and has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for 36 consecutive years. To maintain this designation, the city must conduct an annual observance of Arbor Day.

Arbor Day provides an opportunity for community-wide appreciation of trees. City-sponsored Arbor Day events engage the community in learning and neighborhood beautification through tree planting. These events foster a connection with nature and encourage a lasting sense of responsibility for the City's green infrastructure. Direct participation in Arbor Day strengthens community ties and instills a sense of ownership and care for trees, which may be especially important for younger volunteers who may not yet have developed an appreciation for trees.

The upcoming observance of Arbor Day and the community planting event will occur on Saturday, July 26, 2025. Volunteers will plant seven 15-gallon Island Oak trees and seven 15-gallon Brisbane Box trees in the Right-of-Way at 1300 E Almond, on the north side of Palmyra Elementary School. Staff coordinated with and invited Palmyra Elementary School to participate in the event. West Coast

Arborists donated the trees for this event. Participation in Arbor Day is essential for the city's annual certification as a Tree City USA.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

- Resolution No. 11613
- Arbor Day Planting Map