Memorandum

To: Greenbelt City Council

From: Advisory Committee on Trees

Charles Jackman, Robert Trumbule, and Ethel Dutky

Date: November 21, 2006

Subject: Chesapeake Bay Program Urban Tree Canopy Goals

The Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT) has unanimously endorsed the participation of the City of Greenbelt in the Chesapeake Bay Program Urban Tree Canopy Goals. ACT members were informed about this program on October 10, 2006 at the Fourteenth Annual Community Forestry Workshop held in Westminster, MD.

We believe that the goal of increasing the amount of tree canopy in all urban and suburban areas is laudable and feel that the City of Greenbelt should join the several Maryland communities already involved. We understand that Bill Phelan, the City liaison to ACT, is willing to work with the Department of Natural Resources staff members regarding this issue. The members of ACT would be pleased to contribute to attaining the Urban Tree Canopy Goals for Greenbelt as needed.