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Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Trees – Report to the City Council Subject: Sustainable Land Care Policy

The Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT) has again read through the Sustainable Land Care Policy (SLCP) document, which was discussed at the Greenbelt City Council Work Session on August 2, 2017. ACT members voted at their recent February 19, 2019 meeting to support implementation of the SLCP document presented at that August 2017 City Council Work Session meeting. ACT members understand that some possible changes have been suggested to the SLCP 2016 document. This is an earlier draft that may not have incorporated all the agreed upon changes.

ACT members suggest that another Work Session be held by the Greenbelt City Council, which would include all interested committees and boards (e.g., Advisory Committee on Trees, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Green ACES, Park and Recreation Advisory Board) to consider the SLCP from August 2, 2017. ACT members believe that a Sustainable Land Care Policy needs to be adopted by the Greenbelt City Council so that Public Works personnel will have guidance for dealing with plants and land care issues in the City of Greenbelt in 2019 and future years.

At their most recent meeting, ACT members voted to support implementation of the Sustainable Land Care Policy presented at the August 2, 2017 Greenbelt City Council Work Session.