

Councilmember Anderson Comments on Draft Chapter 27 Changes

Section 27-5: Tree Commission

- (a) *This section should be drafted so that it is clear that the Tree Commission is its own organization, separate from the CSC. The current draft makes it sound like it is something that is buried in the CSC and not a separate entity. Something like: “**The Town hereby establishes a Tree Commission, which shall advise and assist the Town on matters relating to the conservation and management of the Town’s trees and tree canopy and the development and maintenance of specifications and guidelines related to the same. The Tree Commission shall be organized as a subcommittee to the Conservation and Sustainability Commission.**”*
 - (d) *I don’t think that we should set the length of time and date that the Tree Commission in the ordinance. The Commission should have some flexibility on meeting at their own date and for their own length of time.*
8. *I think it was clear in the discussions on December 4th and January 8th that the Tree Commission was to present its annual report directly to Council, and not through the CSC.*