ORDINANCE NO. 5269

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AMC CHAPTER 2.33.010, WHICH ESTABLISHES MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CITY TREE COMMISSION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City Tree Commission was established in 1993 to regulate how the City plants, maintains, and removes trees in parks and in the public right-of-way in Albany; and

WHEREAS, one of the original requirements for membership on the City Tree Commission was residency in the city of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the residency requirement prevents people with expertise on trees who own a business in Albany from participating on the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: AMC 2.23.010 is amended to read as follows:

2.23.010 City Tree Commission established

There is hereby established a City Tree Commission for the City of Albany, which shall consist of five members. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council. At least one member of the City Tree Commission shall be a representative from the field of arborculture, landscape architecture, or otherwise have professional knowledge of trees and their care. Members shall be residents of the city of Albany or shall own property or maintain a business within the city of Albany.

<u>Section 2</u>: Inasmuch as this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the city of Albany, an emergency is hereby declared to exist; and this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

Approved by the Mayor: _____January 8, 1997

Effective Date: January 8, 1997

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