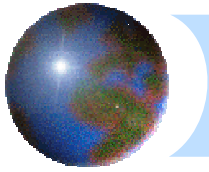


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# City of Lemoore Street Tree Discussion

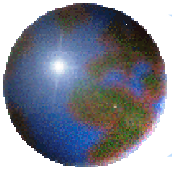
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# *History*

- 1940's-1950's
  - Parkway pattern sidewalk in downtown core
  - Street trees planted by Lemoore High FFA

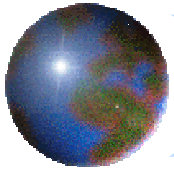




# *History*

- Late 1950's
  - Farmer's Home Administration (FHA) required trees be planted in front yard of house

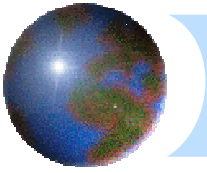




# *History*

- Late 1950's
  - Sidewalk was contiguous with curb

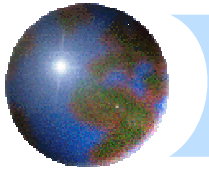




# *History*

- Late 1950's
  - Areas where parkway existed were being changed to contiguous pattern

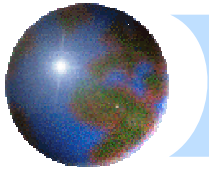




# *History*

- 1960's-1980's
  - Sidewalks were contiguous
  - Trees were required to be planted in front yards

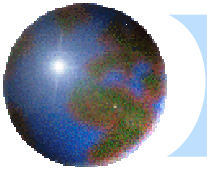




# *History*

- 1989
  - Trees removed adjacent to Library/Court
    - Upset Council and Citizens



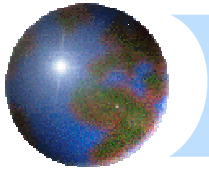


# *History*

- 1990

- Sidewalk pattern reverted back to parkway to better identify property line and protect trees

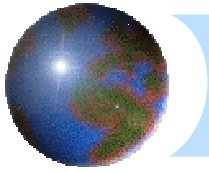




# *Street Tree Ordinance*

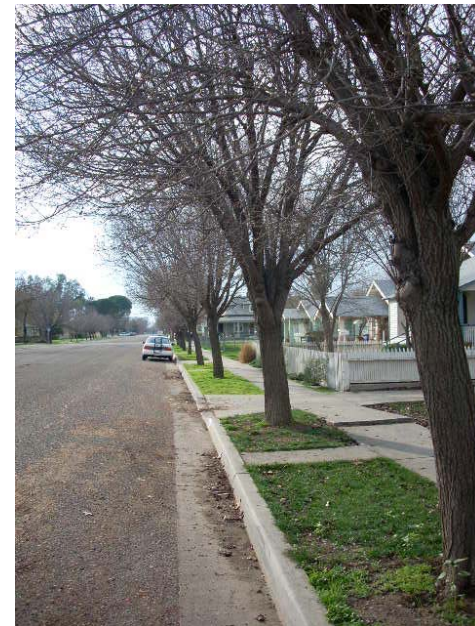
- Required trees every 40 feet

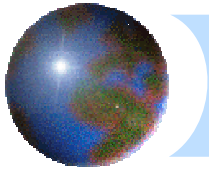




# *Street Tree Ordinance*

- Tree varieties were reviewed
  - Street Tree List created
  - List has evolved as trees have been added and removed from list

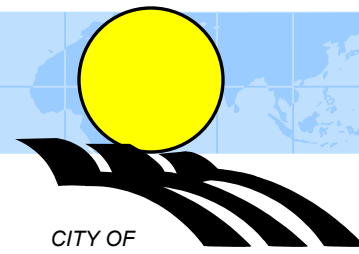
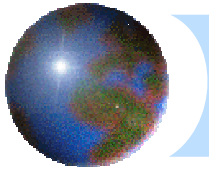




# *Street Tree Ordinance*

- Developer required to plant trees with house

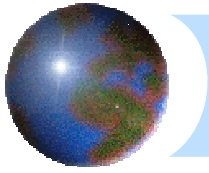




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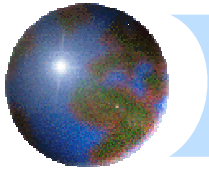
- Trees to be planted and maintained by property owner
  - Watering
  - Trimming
  - Removal
  - Replacement
- Variety selected by Tree Committee
  - Usually 3 or 4 varieties



# *Advantages of Parkway Street Trees*

- Provide shade for street and sidewalk
- Pedestrians are shaded from vehicles in street
- Attractiveness and softening of area appearance
- ADA Compliance

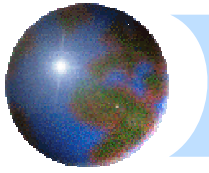




# *Disadvantages of Parkway Street Trees*

- Parkway width from 4-5 feet encroaches on tree

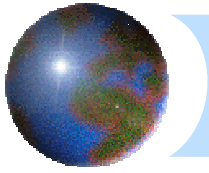




# *Disadvantages of Parkway Street Trees*

- Curb and sidewalk more susceptible to root damage

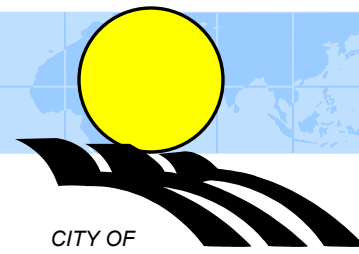
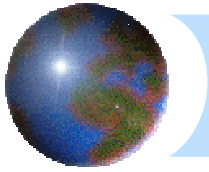




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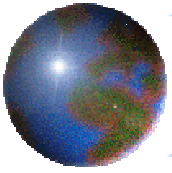
- Tree encroaches over sidewalk and curb
  - Impedes street sweeper, refuse vehicles





# *1911 Improvement Act*

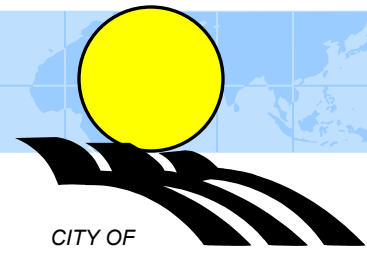
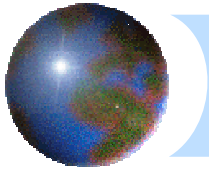
- Homeowners responsible for maintenance of curb, gutter, and sidewalk
- Property owners notified of problem with improvements and directed to have repairs done
- City has authority to have work done and bill property owners
  - Financing opportunities
- City was not aggressive in enforcing but liability and ADA compliance have changed attitude



# *Public Works Standard*

- Curb and gutter grades
- Valley gutter designs





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# *Public Works Standard*

- Tree planting standard
- Reducing right of way and street paving
- Watering standards for parkways