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Details:

- From: Michael Slater at: michael.k.slater@gmail.com
- Phone:
- Message Body: Dear Mayor Bennett, City Councilors, and Staff: I am writing to support Resolution No. 2018-26, which authorizes staff to submit an application to reconfigure lots within the Salem Business Campus in order to protect a stand of native Oregon White oaks. The resolution, if implemented, would create two “preservation” lots that would be owned by the City. These lots contain the majority of the properties approximately 114 White oaks. The City Council has set a goal of increasing Salem’s urban tree canopy from 17% (in 2010) to 22%. Because of the benefits of mature trees, preserving existing mature trees is one of the most important ways to implement the City’s tree canopy goals. Moreover, our iconic White Oaks provide critical habitat and sustenance to a broad diversity of native insects and animals. I would like to thank the City staff for recognizing the importance of this White Oak stand and taking affirmative steps to protect it. Thank you, Michael Slater