

I support expanding San Francisco's urban tree canopy and making it easier to plant and maintain trees.

Trees provide shade, improve air quality, and add beauty to our neighborhoods.

Since the city now maintains sidewalk trees, they are part of our shared public space and decisions about them should be transparent. There may be situations where a tree creates safety concerns or infrastructure conflicts that require removal, but neighbors should still receive notice when that happens.

I also believe we should be cautious about allowing developers to pay an in-lieu fee instead of replacing trees on site. Our goal should be to strengthen the city's urban forest, not simply shift it elsewhere.