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To exercise full and exclusive control over the regulation, planting, and care of shade and ornamental trees now located or which may hereafter be planted in any public highway, park or parkway, including the planting, trimming, spraying, care and protection thereof.

B.

To regulate and control the use of the ground surrounding the same so far as may be necessary for their proper growth, care and protection.

C.

To move or require the removal of any tree or part thereof on public or private property that is dangerous to public safety.

D.

To make, alter, amend and repeal, in the manner prescribed for the passage, alteration, amendment and repeal of ordinances by the Borough Council, any and all ordinances necessary or proper for carrying out the provisions hereof.^[1]

Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

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To administer treatment to or remove any tree on public or private property which is believed to harbor a disease or insects readily communicable to neighboring healthy trees and to enter upon private property for that purpose, provided that the suspected condition is first properly confirmed.

F.

To study and recommend methods of funding, outside of municipal taxation, by grants and aid, both state and federal.

G.

To develop a program of tree planting and overall beautification in areas along the public right-of-way and to prepare a survey of existing trees within the public right-of-way and upon public property and to develop a master plan for the care and control of existing shade trees and ornamental trees and the planting of new trees throughout the Borough, said survey and master plan shall be submitted to Borough Council for its review and approval annually, by February 1 of the next succeeding year.

H.

To provide a procedure for removing or trimming existing trees where necessary because the tree is either dead, diseased or injured by storm or similar consequences.

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To adopt and administer regulations for the selection and placement of trees and as may be necessary for the interpretation, administration, and enforcement of the powers and authority of the Commission.