

**CITY OF NEWPORT  
RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
COUNCIL**

**No.2026-98**

- WHEREAS, the Preservation Society of Newport County (PSNC) has agreed to provide the City of Newport with a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) contribution in the amount of \$100,000; and
- WHEREAS, the PSNC has requested that \$30,000 of the contribution be allocated to the Newport Tree Conservancy to assist with the treatment and preservation of the City's vulnerable beech trees, with the remaining funds available for allocation by the City; and
- WHEREAS, the Newport Tree Conservancy is a valued partner of the City of Newport and contributes approximately \$100,000 annually toward planting, watering, maintaining, and enhancing the City's urban landscape; and
- WHEREAS, the preservation and expansion of Newport's tree canopy provide significant environmental, public health, aesthetic, and quality-of-life benefits to residents and visitors alike; and
- WHEREAS, the Newport City Council recognizes the importance of supporting the Newport Tree Conservancy's ongoing efforts to protect and strengthen the City's landscape; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
- RESOLVED, that the Newport City Council appropriates an additional \$30,000 to the Newport Tree Conservancy to support its work caring the city's urban canopy; AND BE IT FURTHER
- RESOLVED, that the Newport City Council expresses its appreciation to the Preservation Society of Newport County for its partnership and through its PILOT contribution; BE IT FURTHER
- RESOLVED, that this appropriation reflects the City's commitment to maintaining and enhancing Newport's urban tree canopy and recognizes the contributions made by the Newport Tree Conservancy in partnership with the City of Newport to preserve, plant, and maintain trees for the benefit of residents and visitors alike.

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READ AND PASSED

**JUNE 10, 2026**



Laura C. Swistak, CMC

City Clerk