



ANNOUNCING!

Jefferson Heritage Tree Council Member Vacancies

The City of Jefferson is taking applications to fill 5 positions on the 11-member Jefferson Heritage Tree Council (JHTC). Any citizen with an interest in trees and a willingness to commit 4 to 8 hours per month to JHTC business is invited to fill out an application, which is available online at the City's website at www.cityofjeffersonga.com. Applicants must fill out and submit both an *Application for Citizen Committees/Advisory Boards* and an *Application for Appointment to the Jefferson Heritage Tree Council*. Applications are due to the City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 12. Applications will be reviewed by the City Arborist, City Forester and current JHTC members, who will forward their recommendations for member appointments to the City Council for consideration and approval at their September 9 meeting.

Three (3) 1-year terms and two (2) 2-year terms are currently vacant. Appointed members may serve an additional 3-year term. Members are required to attend a minimum of 75 percent of the JHTC's 1-hour, monthly meetings to remain active. Members are also asked to serve on one of the JHTC's program committees, which include Arbor Day, Foliage Fest, Earth Day, Heritage Trees, Gift Trees and Tree Stewards. The Jefferson Heritage Tree Council advises the City on all tree-related matters and provides regular input on and implementation of activities included in the City's *Sustainable Community Forest Management Program*.

For a copy of the JHTC's bylaws or to find out more information about the roles and responsibilities of JHTC members, JHTC program initiatives, and the City's Sustainable Community Forest Management Program, please visit the City's website at www.cityofjeffersonga.com and the Jefferson Heritage Tree Council's website at www.jeffersontreecouncil.org. If you have questions regarding JHTC membership, you may also contact the City Forester, Connie Head, at 706.202.5279, or tfshhead@aol.com.