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ReLeaf Kick-Off Meeting Held for Input

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA – February 25, 2021 – A Public Kick-Off event will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, to seek input regarding reforestation efforts in Cedar Rapids. The virtual meeting is the first part of the ReLeaf Cedar Rapids planning process, led by the City of Cedar Rapids and Trees Forever, in coordination with consultant experts Jeff Speck of Speck & Associates, and Confluence, Inc. “We will need a comprehensive plan that will serve as our road map for reestablishing our lost tree canopy in Cedar Rapids for years to come,” said Scott Hock, Cedar Rapids Parks and Recreation Director. “It is important that the community help us determine priorities and an equitable process that benefits everyone”

Residents, business and commercial owners, employers, developers, and neighborhood groups are encouraged to attend. Meeting participants will learn why a ReLeaf Cedar Rapids plan is necessary, what it will include, and how it will affect them. Participants will provide initial input and learn how they can continue to be involved in reforestation efforts. Registration for the meeting is required at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3-UeQcLkQaK7WK4i12jAJQ. Registration will close at 5:00 p.m. on March 9.

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