



CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS POLICY REGARDING REMOVAL/RE-PLANTING OF BOULEVARD TREES

Trees growing in the boulevard right-of-way will be removed by the City under the following conditions:

1. The tree is dead;
2. The tree is diseased (with a fatal disease such as oak wilt, Dutch elm disease or an invasive trunk canker);
3. The tree is an Ash (*Fraxinus* spp.) in poor condition
4. The tree is hazardous due to decay, storm damage or poor branch/trunk unions;
5. The tree blocks sight lines of a driveway or intersection and cannot be pruned to correct the situation;
6. The tree has large roots which are interfering with curbing, driveway, sidewalk, sewer/water lines and corrective work needs to be done to the disturbed hardscape or utility;
7. The tree's roots are causing major damage to the property owner's lawn and all other remedies have failed to correct the problem. (Property owner should submit a Boulevard Tree Removal Request Form to the City Arborist)

In some circumstances, a property owner may want to have a boulevard tree removed and conditions 1-6 do not apply. In these situations the following will apply:

1. The property owner(s) should submit a Boulevard Tree Removal Request Form to the City Arborist stating the reasons why they want the tree removed;
2. The City Arborist will assess the situation and determine whether or not the tree should be removed;
3. If, at the Arborist's discretion, a removal permit is granted, the City will have the tree removed and the property owner will pay a fee of \$200.00 to share the cost of removal and re-planting.

In cases where a boulevard tree is dead or dying due to damage caused by a lawnmower, weed whip/other tool or vehicle run either by the property owner, or a lawn care firm hired by the property owner, the boulevard tree will be removed and replaced by the City and the property owner will pay a fee of *\$200.00 per tree to share the cost of removal and re-planting.

In all cases where boulevard trees have been removed, a replacement tree will be planted in accordance with the following provisions:

1. There is adequate space on the boulevard for a new tree to grow to a healthy maturity;
2. The tree species will be chosen based on the City of Oak Park Heights Tree Species List and is listed as a City Boulevard Tree Option;
3. The adjoining property owner will be responsible for watering the new tree and keeping the mulch ring in place/maintained for at least one year after planting.

*In cases where a tree has died due to lawnmower or weed whip damage and a replacement has been requested within a two year time span after the previous tree has died from this cause; cost share will increase with each removal/re-placement request by \$100 for each request.

CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS TREE SPECIES LIST

NOTE: The City does **NOT** plant evergreens on boulevards. If there is a tree of interest to you and it is not on this list, please contact the City Arborist at 651-439-4439 and, depending on the species/variety/cultivar, it will be taken into consideration.

SPECIES	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	VARIETY/CULTIVARS	HEIGHT/SPREAD	CITY BOULEVARD TREE OPTION (YES/NO)	NATIVE (YES/NO)
Acer						
	Freeman Maple	<i>Acer x freemanii</i> 'AF #1'	Firefall	H 40-60' S 30-40'	Y	Y
	Freeman Maple	<i>Acer x freemanii</i>		H 50-60' S 40'	Y	Y
	Freeman Maple	<i>Acer x freemanii</i> 'Bailston'	Matador	H 40-45' S 20-40'	Y	Y
	Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>		H 50' S 20-40'	Y	Y
	Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Any <i>saccharum</i> cultivar is suitable	H 50-75' S 50-60'	Y	Y
Birch						
	River Birch	<i>Betula nigra</i>		H 40-60' S 30-40'	N	Y
	River Birch Clump	<i>Betula nigra</i> (clump form)		H 40-60' S 30-40'	N	Y
Buckeye						
	Ohio Buckeye	<i>Aesculus glabra</i>		H 20-40' S 20-30'	Y	N
	Ohio Buckeye	<i>Aesculus sylvatica</i>	Autumn Splendor	H 20-40' S 20-30'	Y	N
Catalpa						
	Catalpa	<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>		H 40-60' S 20-40'	N	N
Cedar						
	Red Cedar	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>		H 30' S 15'	N	Y
	White Cedar	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>		H 50-60' S 24-36'	N	Y
Coffeetree						
	Kentucky Coffeetree	<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i>	Espresso	H 50-60' S 40-50'	Y	Y
Crabapple (disease resistant cultivars, especially to fungal disease and apple scab)						
	Flowering Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Prarifire'	Prairifire Crabapple	H 20' S 20'	Y	N
	Flowering Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Profusion'	Profusion Crabapple	H 20' S 20'	Y	N
	Flowering Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Royal Raindrops'	Royal Raindrops Crabapple	H 20' S 15'	Y	N
	Flowering Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Spring Snow'	Spring Snow Crabapple	H 25' S 22'	Y	N
Elm (Dutch elm resistant varieties)						
	Elm	<i>Ulmus japonica x wilsoniana</i>	Accolade	H 70' S 40-50'	Y	N
	Elm	<i>Ulmus</i> 'Morton Glossy'	Triumph	H 55' S 45'	Y	N
	Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	Valley Forge	H 70' S 70'	Y	Y
	Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	Princeton	H 60' S 40'	Y	Y
Ginkgo						
	Ginkgo	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Autumn Gold	H 50' S 30'	Y	N
Hackberry						
	Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>		H 50-75' S 50'	Y	Y

Hawthorn	Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus crus-galli</i> var. <i>inermis</i>	Thornless cockspur hawthorn	H 20' S 20'	Y	Y
Honeylocust	Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> var. <i>inermis</i>	Skyline	H 50' S 30-35'	Y	Y
	Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> var. <i>inermis</i>	Sunburst	H 35' S 30-35'	Y	Y
	Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> f. <i>inermis</i>	Thornless Honeylocust	H 30-70' S 30-70'	Y	Y
Ironwood	Ironwood	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>		H 30-50' S 25'	N	Y
Lilac	Japanese Tree Lilac	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>		H 20-25' S 15-25'	Y	N
Linden	Linden/Basswood	<i>Tilia americana</i>	Boulevard	H 50-60' S 25-30'	Y	Y
	Linden/Basswood	<i>Tilia americana</i>	Redmond	H 40-60' S 30'	Y	Y
	Linden/Basswood	<i>Tilia americana</i>	Sentry	H 60' S 30-40'	Y	Y
Magnolia	Magnolia	<i>Magnolia stellata</i>	Star Magnolia	H 15-20' S 10-15'	N	N
Mountain Ash	Mountain Ash	<i>Sorbus</i> spp. and cultivars			N	N
Oak	Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>		H 70-80' S 80'	N	Y
	Northern Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>		H 60-70' S 50-60'	Y	Y
	Northern Pin Oak	<i>Quercus ellipsoidalis</i>		H 60' S 45'	Y	Y
	Swamp White Oak	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>		H 50-60' S 40-50'	Y	Y
	White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>		H 100' S 50-80'	Y	Y
Pine	Austrian Pine	<i>Pinus nigra</i>		H 50-60' S 30-40'	N	N
	Red Pine	<i>Pinus resinosa</i>		H 60-80' S 25'	N	Y
	Scots Pine	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>		H 40-60' S 30-40'	N	N
	White Pine	<i>Pinus strobus</i>		H 50-80' S 30-40'	N	Y
Poplar	Eastern Cottonwood	<i>Populus deltoides</i>		H 70-90' S 40'	N	Y
	Quaking Aspen	<i>Populus tremuloides</i>		H 60-80' S 30'	N	Y
Serviceberry	Serviceberry	Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance'	Autumn Brilliance		N	N
Spruce	Blue Spruce	<i>Picea pungens</i>	Colorado Blue Spruce	H 50-75' S 10-20'	N	N
	Norway Spruce	<i>Picea abies</i>	Norway Spruce	H 40-60' S 25-30'	N	N
	White Spruce	<i>Picea glauca densata</i>	Black Hills Spruce	H 30-40' S 20-30'	N	Y
Tamarack	Tamarack	<i>Larix laricina</i>		H 40-80' S 15-30'	N	Y

CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS PROHIBITED TREES AND SHRUBS

Species	Common Name	Scientific Name	Variety/Cultivars
Acer	Amur Maple	<i>Acer ginnala</i>	
	Boxelder	<i>Acer negundo</i>	
	Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Crimson King
	Silver Maple	<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	
Ash	Ash	Fraxinus spp.	ALL VARIETIES PROHIBITED TO BE PLANTED ON BOULEVARD
Barberry	Japanese Barberry	<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	Japanese Barberry
Buckthorn	Common Buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	
Honeysuckle	Exotic Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera tatarica</i>	Tatarian Honeysuckle
	Exotic Honeysuckle	<i>L. morrowii</i>	Morrow's Honeysuckle
	Exotic Honeysuckle	<i>L. x bella</i>	Bell's Honeysuckle
Ginkgo	Ginkgo	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	FEMALE GINGKO PROHIBITED
Locust	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	
Populus	Easter Cottonwood	<i>Populus deltoids</i>	Except for cotton-less cultivars
Red Mulberry	Red Mulberry	<i>Morus rubra</i>	
Russian Olive	Russian Olive	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>	
Siberian Peashrub	Siberian Peashrub	<i>Caragana arborescens</i>	
Willow	Willow	<i>Salix spp.</i>	
Ulmus	American Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	Varieties/Cultivars that are not disease resistant
	Siberian Elm	<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	
Walnut	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	