

APPLICATION FOR PLANTING A STREET TREE

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE LEGIBLE AND COMPLETE

This permit is required for planting of tree(s) and shrubs in the street right-of-way (area between the sidewalk and street). The property owner should note that trees and shrubs planted in the right-of-way become property of the City of Sycamore and may be removed if there is a need to replace underground utilities.

Allowable Locations

- Trees or shrub must be more than three feet (3') from the sidewalk.
- Trees shall be placed a minimum of eight feet (8') from any crosswalk or intersecting street or alley
- Shrubs shall be planted a minimum of 25' from any crosswalk or intersecting street or alley

Tree Requirements

- Tree Species must be in accordance with Chapter 6 of Unified Development Code – Page 6-45
 - <https://cityofsycamore.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/2021517-Chapter-6.pdf> - See Reverse Side
- All trees shall be grown in a nursery located in the northern half of the State of Illinois and licensed by the State of Illinois.
- Trees selected for planting in the City of Sycamore shall be healthy, free of insects and diseases, bark bruises, and scrapes on the trunk or limbs before or after planting. Selected trees shall have a straight trunk with limbs not lower than six (6) feet above ground.

Planting Requirements

- Tree holes may be machine dug, provided all sides of holes dug in such manner shall be scored to prevent glazing.
- All trees shall be hand-planted and planted straight.
- The planting season shall be approximately October 1 to December 1, and March 15 to May 15.
- Trees shall have a trunk diameter of not less than two (2) inches. The root system of all trees shall be balled and burlapped with a minimum ball diameter of twenty-eight (28) inches for two (2) inch caliper trees

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

NAME OF OWNER _____

SITE ADDRESS _____ DAY PHONE _____

Number of Tree(s) _____ Species _____ Number of Tree(s) _____ Species _____

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Approval _____

Signature _____ Date _____

PERMITTED TREE SPECIES.

Only the following species of trees shall be planted in City parkways where the clear space between the curb and sidewalk is ten (10) feet or greater in width:

Common Name

Black Maple
"Emerald Lustre" Norway Maple
"Emerald Queen" Norway Maple
"Schwedleri" Norway Maple
"Legacy" Sugar Maple
European Black Alder
Hackberry
"Autumn Gold" Ginkgo
"Lakeview" Ginkgo
"Santa Cruz" Ginkgo
"Moraine" Thornless Honeylocust
"Shademaster" Thornless Honeylocust
Sycamore
Swamp White Oak
Red Oak
"Redmond" Linden
Little Leaf Linden
Lacebark Elm
Chanticleer Callery Pear

Botanical Name

Acer nigrum
Acer platanoides "Emerald Lustre"
Acer platanoides "Emerald Queen"
Acer platanoides "Schwedleri"
Acer saccharum
Alnus glutinosa
Celtis occidentalis
Ginkgo Biloba "Autumn Gold"
Ginkgo Biloba "Lakeview"
Ginkgo Biloba "Santa Cruz"
Gleditsia triacanthos var. interis "Moraine"
Gleditsia triacanthos var. interis "Shademaster"
Platanus Occidentalis
Quercus bicolor
Quercus rubra
Tilia Americana Redmond
Tilia cordata
Ulmus parvifolia
Pyrus Calleryana

Only the following species of trees shall be planted in City parkways with overhead utilities:

Common Name

Amur Maple (tree form)
Peking tree lilac (tree form)
Corneliacherry Dogwood (tree form)
Blackhaw viburnum
Crabapples, only those Malus cultivars listed below:
"Adams"

"Bob White"
"Candied Apple"
"David"
floribunda:
"lise"
"Ormiston Roy"
"Professor Sprenger"
"Robinson" "Sugartyme" or "Milton Baron"

Botanical Name

Acer ginnala (tree form)
Syringa pekinensis (tree form)
Cornus mas (tree form)
Viburnum prunifolium (tree form)

Tree species not listed in this Section may be permitted on a case-by case basis upon written approval by the City Engineer.

None of the following species of trees shall be planted: Ash, Poplar, Silver Maple, Box Elder, Chinese Elm, Black Locust, Russian Olive, Willow, Catalpa, Mulberry, Pin Oak, or any fruit trees, except those crabapple species specifically identified in this Section 6.6.3(B)3 of the Unified Development Ordinance