Timothy S. Hanson
Director of Public Works
Department of Public Works

Dear Property Owner;

Thank you for contacting our office with your request for *Tree Planting Information*.

Enclosed you will find a Street Terrace Tree Planting Permit Application. Please fill in completely and return two (2) complete copies in the *pre-addressed envelope enclosed* or in person to:

City of Rockford
ATTN: Forestry Supervisor
523 S. Central Avenue
Rockford, IL 61102

Your application will be processed promptly and a permit issued to you. Although there is no cost to you for this permit, you are responsible for all the cost incurred with planting trees.

Should you have any further questions, please contact the Street Maintenance Division at (815) 987-5763. Our office hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Forestry Supervisor

425 East State Street Rockford, Illinois 61104-1068 USA
Phone: (815) 987-5570; Fax: (815) 967-6942 **www.rockfordil.gov**

PLANTING PERMIT APPLICATION

Planting of Street Terrace Trees

(THIS IS AN APPLICATION FORM AND IS NOT TO BE USED AS A PERMIT)

RETURN THE ENCLOSED APPLICATION TO:

CITY OF ROCKFORD
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
STREET MAINTENANCE DIVISION
523 S. CENTRAL AVENUE
ROCKFORD, IL 61102
(815) 987-5763

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ARTICLE II. PERMITS

I. Section 29-25. Required.

No person, shall plant, transplant, move, spray, brace, trim, prune, cut above or below ground, disturb, alter or do surgery on any public tree or shrub within the city or cause such act to be done by others, without first obtaining a written permit for such work from the city forester.

II. Section 29-27. Issuance; contents; expiration.

Every permit required by this article shall be issued by the city forester on forms prepared by him and shall include a description of the work to be done and shall specify the species or variety, size, nursery grade and location of the tree(s). Any work done under such permit shall be performed in strict accordance with the terms thereof and the provisions of this chapter. Permits issued under this section shall expire six (6) months after date of issue.

APPLICATIONS AND APPROVAL:

This application must be filled out completely to be considered for permit issue. Please be aware that whenever a property owner plants a tree in the street terrace, it becomes Public Domain. A written permit can be issued under the following conditions.

CONDITIONS OF TREE PLANTING PERMIT

The permittee shall be liable for:

1) All expenses involved in planting of the approved species.
2) Any injuries and/or damages sustained in such action
3) Contacting J.U.L.I.E. for a utility locate by dialing 811 or online at www.illinois1call.com a minimum of 2 days prior to planting
4) The minimum size of the proposed tree shall be two inches (2”) in diameter, as measured six inches (6”) above grade, and ten to fourteen feet (10’ to 14’) in height.
5) Mulching and/or staking must be approved by City Forester.

I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE TO ALL PROVISIONS AND TREE PLANTING / REMOVAL REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THIS APPLICATION, AND TO THE TREE PLANTING / REMOVAL PERMIT, WHEN ISSUED.

PERMITTEE SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PERMIT APPLICATION

Planting Street Terrace Trees

Site Address:_____ **Property ID#**:_____

Property Owners Name:_____ Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____

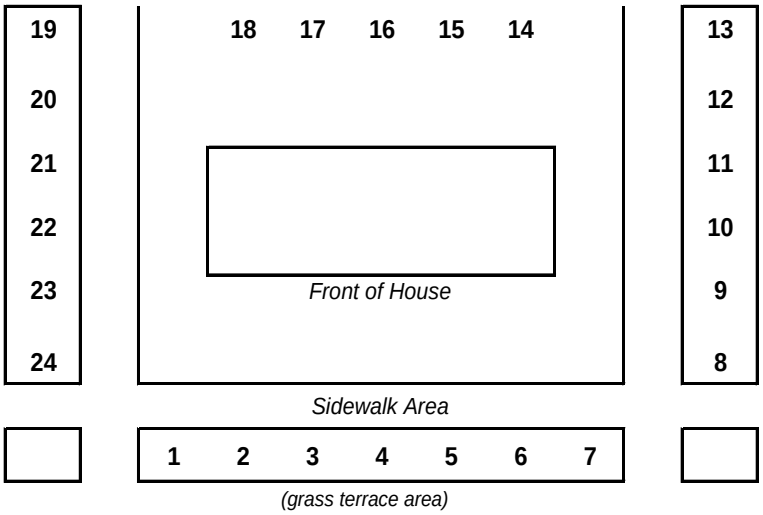
Phone Number:_____ Approximate Plant Date:_____

PERMIT TO BE ISSUED TO: Homeowner Above [__] Contractor Named Below [__]

Name:_____ Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____ Phone Number:_____

MARK LOCATION OF TREE(S) YOU WISH TO PLANT



Special Instructions:

- Refer to page 3 in the information packet to select *Size Class* and *Placement* (see cell location above).
- Refer to page 4 to select *Species* to be planted.

Cell #	Terrace Width	Overhead Wires *(yes or no)* *	Species & Size of tree to be planted	Size Class of tree to be planted *(small, medium, large)*

CITY OF ROCKFORD
TREE PLANTING POLICY

GENERAL INFORMATION

A. TYPE OF STREET TERRACE

Before selecting a tree for a street terrace, we must determine the type of street terrace that is in front of your home. This will determine the size class of tree you will be allowed to plant in the street terrace.

In the City of Rockford, street terraces can be classified into four main groups:

- **Closed Terraces** are defined as areas located between the curb and sidewalks. Generally, Closed Terraces are found in older residential areas but at times will be found in newer residential areas. These areas are heavily planted with trees, which have to compete for space with utilities, signs, street lights, and other objects.

- **Open Terraces** can be defined as areas that are not defined by sidewalks. Generally, Open Terraces are found in fewer residential areas. There are generally fewer obstructions to trees, as lawn spaces are larger and utility lines are frequently buried or located in the rear of the properties.

- **Boulevard Terraces** can be defined as a street terrace in the middle of the roadway. It is interesting that boulevards were introduced in Paris, France in the mid-1800's, as a way to control troop movement. Tree lined boulevards provide troops with some measure of defense.

- **Business Terraces** are among the most difficult areas for tree planting, as visibility problems are most severe and impact on people is greatest. Width requirement for Business Terraces warrants further discussion under its own classification. Contact the City Forester for specific instructions before planting in Business Terraces.

WIDTH OF THE STREET TERRACE

The width of the street terrace will determine the size class of the tree that will be allowed in the street terrace. No trees will be allowed on any street terrace that is less than four (4) feet in width except by approval of the City Forester.

It has been determined that a four (4) foot street terrace can not provide sufficient space for the growth of a tree, and safe pedestrian and vehicle passage, without special precautions. If a tree does survive, it may damage the sidewalk or curb. Also, small confined areas create additional stress on the trees, making trees more susceptible to insect and disease problems, which increase control efforts and maintenance costs

B. SIZE OF THE TREE

Many people fondly remember when streets were lined and canopied by large elms, oaks, maples and other species. However, modern-day street designs have changed. Streets and boulevards are made much wider; older streets are enlarged, utilities both above and below ground are more numerous, all reducing space for trees.

Early street terrace tree planting programs encouraged close spacing, with as little as 20 to 30 feet for visual impact. Width of the street terrace and other constraints on available growing space were not a factor in the selection of the mature size of the tree chosen for planting.

Close spacing did create immediate visual impact, but not so obvious was the impact on future management costs. Trees planted close together became more expensive to maintain as they matured. When street terrace trees are planted in tight groupings, it creates additional pruning demands. Live branches from adjacent trees interfere with each other, and increased shading creates more deadwood.

Confined spacing of trees also creates additional stress on the trees, making them more susceptible to insect and disease problems, which in turn increases control efforts and maintenance costs. Dutch Elm disease is a clear example of disease transmission through root grafts from close spacing.

As a rule, trees should be placed so that they can develop freely without crowding each other, buildings, utility lines or other structures. As trees develop in street terraces, the safe passage of pedestrian and vehicle traffic must be provided for.

Frequently a person will select a tree on how he/she likes a certain type of tree for its color and shape, giving little regard to how large it will grow. As the tree grows, we commonly see trees growing into overhead utility lines, breaking sidewalks and curbs, obscuring signs, creating traffic hazards, and growing out of scale with respect to their surroundings.

Large trees will seldom find a place along the street terrace of today. Street terraces will be composed of small and medium growing trees. Even medium trees may grow too large for some street terraces.

In the City of Rockford, trees are grouped by mature height into three size classes:

a. Small Trees, 30 feet tall or less when mature;
b. Medium Trees, 30 feet to 50 feet tall when mature;
c. Large trees, 50 feet tall or larger when mature

Choosing the Right Spot for Street Terrace Planting

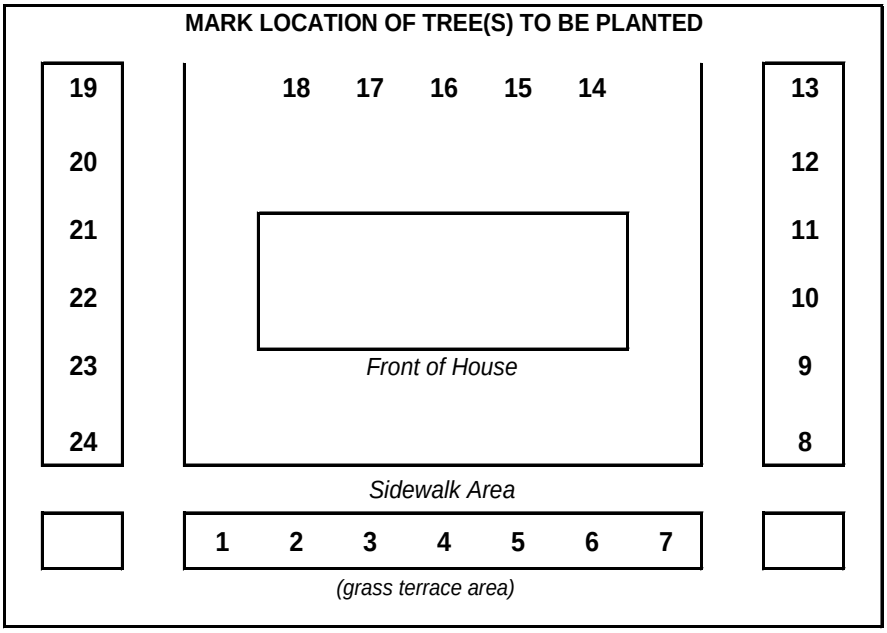
Minimum distance from objects and sight of vision on Street Terraces

Object in Terrace	Recommended Clearance	Object in Terrace	Recommended Clearance
Sidewalks	2.5 Feet	Traffic Lights	40 Feet
Face of Curbs	2.5 Feet	Railroad Crossings	100 Feet
Driveways	10 Feet	Bus Stops	40 Feet
Fire Hydrants	10 Feet	**EXISTING TREES**	
Water & Sewer Services	10 Feet	Small Shade Trees	15-30 Feet
Manholes & Catch Basins	10 Feet	Medium Shade Trees	30-45 Feet
Street Lights	15 Feet	Large Shade Trees	45-60 Feet
Intersections & Alleys	40 Feet		

If the street terrace in front of your home has Commonwealth Edison transmission lines overhead, you are limited only to small shade trees, No matter what size or type of street terrace you have.

Terrace width versus mature size class of Tree

Terraces Width	Tree Class	Crown Width
0 -4 feet	By Approval Only	By Approval Only
5 -6 feet	Small Trees Only	No Greater than 30 Feet
7 - 10 feet	+Small, Medium Trees	No Greater than 45 Feet
11 feet +	+Small, Medium, or Large	Greater than 45 Feet



Choosing the Right Tree for Street Terrace Planting *Part I*

APPROVED STREET TERRACE TREES

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
Norway Maples Emerald Green Parkway **Red Maples** Autumn Blaze **Sugar Maples** Green Mountain Legacy (PP4979) **Black Maples** Common **Hackberry** Common Hackberry **Larch** European Larch **Oaks** English Oak Northern Red Oak Scarlet Oak Swamp White Oak **Lindens** Redmond Linden Silver **Elms** Regal HomeStead	**Birch** River **Yellowwood** Common **Thornless Honeylocust** Halka Shademaster Skyline **Coffeetree** Kentucky Coffeetree **Norway Maples** Cleveland Deborah Emerald Lustre Superform **Red Maples** Red Sunset **Lindens** Glenleven Greenspire	**Maples** Flame Amur Maple Crimson Century Norway Maple **Serviceberry (Tree Form)** Autumn Brilliance Cumulous **Hawthorne (Tree Form Only)** Thornless Cockspur Washington Winter King **Hornbeams (Tree Form Only)** American **Flowering Crabapples (Tree form Only)** Profusion Red Jewel Red Splendor Spring Snow Zumi **Flowering Cherries (Tree Form Only)** Canada Red or Shubert Newport Plum **Ornamental Pears (Tree Form Only)** Aristocrat Autumn Blaze (PP4591) Bradford Chanticleer

Please note, not all trees are appropriate for planting in all locations. This list is managed and periodically updated by the City of Rockford Forestry Division. For questions about appropriate planting sites or utilizing tree species not listed, please contact the Forestry Division at (815) 987-5763.

The City of Rockford reserves the right to prohibit tree species deemed unsuitable for parkway use.

Choosing the Right Tree for Street Terrace Planting *Part II*

In the City of Rockford, trees are grouped by mature height into three size classes:

a. Small Trees, 30 Feet tall or less when mature;
b. Medium Large Trees, 30 Feet to 50 Feet tall when mature;
c. Large Trees. 50 Feet tall or larger when mature

Prohibited Tree Forms and Species

Certain plant forms and species can present public hazards, and will not be allowed to be planted within the public right-of-way. Only with the written permission of the City Forester, will it be allowed. Such approval may be contingent upon entry of the requester into an agreement with the Forestry Section of all obligations for maintenance and liabilities.

The City Forester or his designated agent can serve a notice to the property owner a violation notice, and to demand the removal of the prohibited tree form and/or species. If the property owner does not remove the prohibited tree form and/or species within ten (10) days, the City Forester can proceed to remove plant form the right-of-way.

The following tree forms are not allowed to be planted in the public right-of-ways without written permission of the Director of Public Works.

A. Multiple stem forms - those forms containing more than one (1) stem.

B. Espaliers or topiary - forms achieved though trimming or pruning which are distorted or contrary to the natural shape of species.

C. Flowering shrubs - those shrubs with typically grow taller than three (3) feet, yet not tall enough to be under trimmed to height of six (6) feet.

D. Topped or Dehorned trees - trees with most or all of the crown removed.

The following tree species are not allowed to be planted in he public right-of-ways without written permission of the City Forester.

PROHIBITED TREES

Apple (Fruit Bearing)	Cottonwood (All Types)	Mulberry
Birch--Gray	Siberian Elm	Osage Orange
Birch--European	Evergreens (All Types)	Poplar
Birch--Paper	Female Ginkgo	Silver Maple
Black Locust	Mimosa	Staghorn Sumac
Boxelder Maple	Mountain Ash	Sycamore
Catalpa		Tree of Heaven
Chokecherry		Willow

TREE PLANTING LIST

List Premises:

- This list is not intended to be exhaustive but identifies urban tolerant trees, suitable for hardiness zones 5 and 6, and planted within the City of Rockford.
- Whenever possible, trees should be grown within 200 miles of their planting location.
- Trees may be planted as bare-root, balled & burlapped (B&B), grow bag or container grown.
- Parkway and sidewalk cut out trees should have a single central stem and be in tree form.

List Key:

City Parkway	The city parkway refers to a predominantly continuous soil planting area within the public right-of-way, typically greater than 4' wide and adjacent to the curb line of a street.
Sidewalk Cut-out	A sidewalk cut-out refers to an opening in a sidewalk completely surrounded by concrete, asphalt, or pavers. This category also identifies trees better suited to parkways on arterial streets, narrow parkways (less than 4' wide), and other restricted size planting sites.
Median	Median trees are in landscape medians, traffic circles or other planters in the center of the roadway.
Private Property	Private property includes residential, corporate, parks, golf courses, cemeteries, or any other landscaped planting site not within the public right-of-way.
Under Wires	Smaller trees better suited for planting under utility wires.
Salt Tolerant	Salt tolerant trees are recommended for use in areas which are subject to road salt.
Spring Planting Best	Trees which may require spring planting or at least to be nursery dug in the spring to improve establishment and survivability rates.
Promotes Diversity	Tree Species or Species varieties occuring less frequently within Chicago.
Availability	
GD =	Good: commonly available in most nurseries
AV =	Average: available in many nurseries
LTD =	Limited: available in some nurseries in limited quantities or sizes
VLTD =	Very Limited: somewhat difficult to find in nurseries
NA =	Not Available: currently no known growers
Hardiness	
EX =	Excellent: good overall survivability
GD =	Good: performs well
AV =	Average: grows within the area
AV-PR=	Average to Poor: may grow within protected sites but otherwise not survive in exposed sites.
Ease of Transplant	
GD =	Good: Easily transplantable
AV =	Average: Transplants reasonably well
DIF=	Difficult: Requires special consideration for successful transplant

Common Name	Scientific Name			Planting Site					Other					
	Genus	Species	Cultivar	City Parkway	Sidewalk Cut Out	Median	Private Property	Under Wires	Salt Tolerant	Spring Planting Best	Promotes Diversity	Availability	Hardiness	Ease of Transplant
White Fir	*Abies*	*concolor*					●				●	AV	GD	GD
Hedge Maple	*Acer*	*campestre*		●			●	●	●	●	●	AV	GD	GD
Amur Maple	*Acer*	*ginnala*	'Flame'	●			●	●			●	AV	AV	AV
Miyabe Maple	*Acer*	*miyabei*		●		●	●	●			●	GD	GD	GD
State Street ® Miyabe Maple	*Acer*	*miyabei*	'Morton'	●		●	●	●	●		●	GD	GD	GD
Black Maple	*Acer*	*nigrum*		●			●				●	LTD	AV	AV
Crimson King Maple	*Acer*	*platanoides*	'Crimson King'	●			●			●		GD	GD	GD
Deborah Norway Maple	*Acer*	*platanoides*	'Deborah'	●			●			●		GD	GD	GD
Emerald Luster Maple	*Acer*	*platanoides*	Emerald Lustre ™	●			●			●		GD	GD	GD
Satisfaction Maple	*Acer*	*platanoides x truncatum*	'Satisfaction'	●			●			●		GD	GD	GD
Sycamore Maple	*Acer*	*pseudoplatanus*		●	●		●		●	●	●	NA	AV	AV
Fall Fiesta sugar Maple	*Acer*	*saccharum*	Fall Fiesta	●			●			●		AV	GD	AV
Green Mountain ® Sugar Maple	*Acer*	*saccharum*	'PNI 0285'	●			●			●		AV	AV	AV
Skinner's Cut-leaved Silver Maple	*Acer*	*saccharinum*	'Skinneri'	●		●	●					NA	GD	GD
Silver Queen Silver Maple	*Acer*	*saccharinum*	Silver Queen	●		●	●					NA	GD	GD
Norweigan Sunset ® Maple	*Acer*	*truncatum x A. platanoides 'Keithsform'*		●			●	●		●		LTD	GD	GD
Pacific Sunset ® Maple	*Acer*	*truncatum x A. platanoides 'Warrenred'*		●		●	●	●		●		AV	GD	GD
Autumn Fantasy Maple	*Acer*	*x freemanii*	'Autumn Fantasy'	●		●	●					GD	GD	GD
Marmo Maple	*Acer*	*x freemanii*	'Marmo'	●		●	●					GD	GD	GD
Siena Glen ® Maple	*Acer*	*x freemanii*	'Sienna'	●		●	●					LTD	GD	GD
Ohio Buckeye	*Aseculus*	*glabra*		●	●		●				●	AV	GD	AV
Baumann Horsechestnut	*Aseculus*	*hippocastanum*	'Baumanii'	●	●		●		●		●	LTD	GD	AV
Yellow Buckeye	*Aseculus*	*octandra*		●			●			●	●	LTD	GD	AV
European Black Alder **	*Alnus*	*glutinosa*					●				●	GD	GD	GD
White Alder **	*Alnus*	*incana*					●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Apple Serviceberry	*Amelanchier*	*x grandiflora*		●		●	●	●			●	LTD	GD	GD
Allegheny Serviceberry	*Amelanchier*	*laevis*		●		●	●	●			●	LTD	GD	GD
River Birch	*Betula*	*nigra*		●			●			●	●	GD	GD	AV
Heritage River Birch	*Betula*	*nigra*	'Heritage'	●			●			●	●	GD	GD	AV
European Hornbeam	*Carya*	*betulus*		●			●			●	●	AV	GD	DIF
American Hornbeam	*Carya*	*caroliniana*		●			●	●		●	●	AV	GD	DIF
Bitternut Hickory	*Carya*	*cordiformis*					●			●	●	NA	AV-PR	DIF
Shellbark Hickory	*Carya*	*laciniosa*					●			●	●	NA	AV-PR	DIF
Pignut Hickory	*Carya*	*glabra*					●			●	●	NA	AV-PR	DIF
Mockernut Hickory	*Carya*	*tomentosa*					●			●	●	NA	AV-PR	DIF
Shagbark Hickory	*Carya*	*ovata*					●			●	●	LTD	AV	DIF
Chinese Catalpa	*Catalpa*	*ovata*		●			●				●	VLTD	AV	GD
Northern Catalpa	*Catalpa*	*speciosa*		●	●	●	●		●		●	GD	GD	GD
Sugarberry	*Celtis*	*laevigata*		●			●				●	AV	AV	GD
Chicagoland Hackberry	*Celtis*	*occidentalis*	'Chicagoland'	●	●	●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Hackberry	*Celtis*	*occidentalis*		●	●	●	●				●	GD	GD	GD
Windy City Hackberry	*Celtis*	*occidentalis*	'Windy City'	●	●	●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Katsuratree	*Cercidiphyllum*	*japonicum*					●			●	●	GD	GD	DIF
Eastern Redbud	*Cercis*	*canadensis*		●			●	●		●	●	GD	AV	AV
Whitebud	*Cercis*	*canadensis*	'Alba'	●			●	●		●	●	VLTD	AV	AV
American Yellowwood	*Cladrastis*	*kentuckea*		●			●				●	VLTD	AV	AV
Yellowwood Perkins Pink	*Cladrastis*	*kentuckea*	'Perkins Pink'	●			●				●	NA	AV	AV
Pagoda Dogwood	*Cornus*	*alternifolia*					●	●		●	●	AV	AV-PR	AV
Corneliancherry Dogwood	*Cornus*	*mas*		●			●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Turkish Hazlenut	*Aorylus*	*colurna*		●			●			●	●	AV	AV	AV
Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn	*Crataegus*	*crusgalli*	var. inermis	●		●	●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Washington Hawthorn	*Crataegus*	*phaenopyrum*				●	●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Winter King Green Hawthorn	*Crataegus*	*viridis*				●	●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Hardy Rubber Tree	*Eucommia*	*ulmoides*					●				●	VLTD	AV	GD
American Beech	*Fagus*	*grandifolia*					●			●	●	LTD	AV-PR	DIF
Copper Beech	*Fagus*	*sylvatica*	'Purpurea' (syn. 'Cuprea')				●			●	●	AV	AV-PR	DIF
Fern-leaved European Beech	*Fagus*	*sylvatica*	'Asplenifolia'				●			●	●	AV	AV-PR	DIF
Ginko, Male Only	*Ginko*	*biloba*		●	●	●	●				●	AV	GD	GD
Magyar Ginko	*Ginko*	*biloba*	'Magyar'	●	●	●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Princeton Senty Ginko	*Ginko*	*biloba*	'Princeton Sentry'	●	●	●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Imperial Honeylocust	*Gleditsia*	*triacanthos*	var. inermis 'Imperial'	●	●	●	●		●			GD	GD	GD
Shademaster Honeylocust	*Gleditsia*	*triacanthos*	var. inermis 'Shademaster'	●	●	●	●		●			GD	GD	GD

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Skyline Honeylocust	*Gleditsia*	*triacanthos*	var. inermis 'Skyline'	●	●	●	●		●			GD	GD	GD
Kentucky Coffeetree	*Gymnocladus*	*dioicus*		●	●	●	●		●			GD	GD	GD
Black Walnut	*Juglans*	*nigra*					●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	DIF
Canaert Eastern Redcedar	*Juniperus*	*virginiana*	'Canaertii'				●		●	●	●	AV	GD	GD
Eastern Redcedar	*Juniperus*	*virginiana*					●		●	●	●	AV	GD	GD
Chinese Juniper	*Juniperus*	*chinensis*	'Upright cultivers'				●		●	●	●	AV	GD	GD
European Larch	*Larix*	*decidua*		●			●			●	●	AV	AV	AV
Moraine Sweetgum	*Liquidambar*	*styraciflua*	'Moraine'	●			●				●	LTD	AV-PR	DIF
Tuliptree	*Liriodendron*	*tulipifera*					●			●	●	LTD	AV-PR	DIF
Cucumbertree Magnolia	*Magnolia*	*acuminata*		●			●			●	●	LTD	AV	AV
Thornless Osage Orange	*Maclura*	*pomifera*	'Wichita'	●			●	●			●	VLTD	GD	GD
Thornless Osage Orange	*Maclura*	*pomifera*	'White Sheild'	●			●	●			●	VLTD	AV	GD
Korean Crabapple	*Malus*	*baccata*	var. jackii				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Beverly Crabapple	*Malus*		'Beverly'				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Cardinal Crabapple	*Malus*		'Cardinal'				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Purple Prince Crabapple	*Malus*		Purple Prince				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Red Jewel Crabapple	*Malus*		'Red Jewel' (syn. "Jewelcole')				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Red Peacock Crabapple	*Malus*		'Red Peacock'				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Sargent's Crabapple	*Malus*	*sargentii*					●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Golden Raindrops ® Crabapple	*Malus*	*baccata*	'Schmidtcutleaf'				●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Zumi Crabapple	*Malus*	*x zumi*					●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Dawn Redwood	*Metasequoia*	*glyptostroboides*		●	●	●	●			●	●	VLTD	AV	AV
Black Gum, Tupelo	*Nyssa*	*sylvatica*					●			●	●	LTD	AV-PR	AV
Ironwood	*Ostrya*	*virginiana*		●			●			●	●	AV	GD	GD
Black Hills Spruce	*Picea*	*glauca*	'Densata'				●		●		●	GD	GD	GD
Serbian Spruce	*Picea*	*omorika*					●		●		●	GD	GD	GD
Colorado Blue Spruce	*Picea*	*pungens*	var. glauca				●					GD	GD	GD
Exclamation! ™ London Planetree	*Platanus*	*x acerifolia*	'Morton Circle'	●	●		●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	GD
Ovation ™ London Planetree	*Platanus*	*x acerifolia*	'Morton Euclid'	●	●		●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	GD
American Sycamore	*Platanus*	*occidentalis*		●			●			●		AV	AV	GD
Robusta Poplar	*Populus*	*x euramerica*	'Robusta'	●			●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	GD
Siouxland Poplar	*Populus*	*deltoides*	'Siouxland'	●			●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	GD
Quaking Aspen	*Populus*	*tremuloides*					●		●	●	●	AV	AV	GD
Sargent Cherry	*Prunus*	*sargentii*		●	●		●			●	●	VLTD	AV	GD
Canada Red Choke Cherry	*Prunus*	*virginiana*	'Canada Red'	●	●		●				●	AV	AV	GD
Douglas Fir	*Pseudotsuga*	*menziesii*					●				●	GD	AV	GD
Chanticleer Pear **	*Pyrus*	*calleryana*	'Chanticleer'	●	●		●			●		GD	GD	GD
Fauriei Pear **	*Pyrus*	*calleryana*	'Fauriei'	●	●		●	●		●		AV	GD	GD
Redspire Pear **	*Pyrus*	*calleryana*	'Redspire'	●	●		●			●		GD	GD	DIF
White Oak	*Quercus*	*alba*				●	●			●	●	LTD	GD	DIF
Crimson Spire ™ Oak	*Quercus*	*alba x robur*	'Crimschmidt'	●	●		●			●	●	VLTD	GD	AV
Swamp White Oak	*Quercus*	*bicolor*		●	●	●	●			●	●	GD	GD	GD
Hill's Oak	*Quercus*	*ellipsoidalis*		●		●	●			●	●	AV	AV	GD
Shingle Oak	*Quercus*	*imbricaria*		●	●	●	●			●	●	AV	AV	AV
Bur Oak	*Quercus*	*macrocarpa*		●		●	●			●	●	GD	AV	DIF
Chinkapin Oak	*Quercus*	*muehlenbergii*		●		●	●			●	●	AV	GD	AV
Chestnut Oak	*Quercus*	*prinus*		●			●			●	●	AV	AV	AV
English Oak	*Quercus*	*robur*		●	●		●		●	●	●	VLTD	GD	AV
Regal Prince English Oak	*Quercus*	*robur 'Fastigiata' x Q. bicolor 'Long'*		●	●		●			●	●	GD	GD	AV
Skymaster ® English Oak	*Quercus*	*robur*	'Pyramich'	●	●		●			●	●	VLTD	GD	AV

Common Name	Scientific Name			Planting Site					Other					
	Genus	Species	Cultivar	City Parkway	Sidewalk Cut Out	Median	Private Property	Under Wires	Salt Tolerant	Spring Planting Best	Promotes Diversity	Availability	Hardiness	Ease of Transplant
Heritage ® Macdaniel's Oak	*Quercus*	*x macdanielii*	'Clemons'	●	●		●		●	●	●	VLTD	GD	AV
Shumard's Oak	*Quercus*	*shumardi*		●			●			●	●	LTD	GD	AV
Chicago Blues Black Locust	*Robinia*	*pseudoacacia*	'Chicago Blues'	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	AV
Staghorn Sumac	*Rhus*	*typhina*				●	●	●	●			AV	GD	GD
Japanese Pagodatree	*Sophora*	*japonica*		●	●		●				●	VLTD	AV	GD
Mountain Ash	*Sorbus*	*aucuparia*		●			●	●		●	●	AV	AV	GD
China Snow ® Pekin Lilac	*Syringa*	*pekinensis*	'Morton'	●			●	●		●	●	GD	GD	GD
Ivory Silk Japanese Tree Lilac	*Syringa*	*reticulata ssp. Reticulata*	'Ivory Silk'	●	●		●	●	●		●	GD	GD	GD
Summer Snow Japanese Tree Lilac	*Syringa*	*reticulata ssp. reticulata*	'Summer Snow'	●	●		●	●	●		●	LTD	GD	GD
Baldcypress	*Taxodium*	*distichum*		●	●	●	●		●	●	●	GD	GD	GD
Shawnee Brave Baldcypress	*Taxodium*	*distichum*	'Shawnee Brave'	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	GD	GD	GD
American Linden	*Tilia*	*americana*		●			●					AV	GD	GD
American Sentry Linden	*Tilia*	*americana*	'American Sentry'	●		●	●				●	GD	GD	GD
Boulevard Linden	*Tilia*	*americana*	'Boulevard'	●		●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
White basswood	*Tilia*	*americana*	var. heterophylla	●			●				●	VLTD	GD	GD
Redmond Linden	*Tilia*	*americana*	'Redmond'	●		●	●					GD	GD	GD
Legend ™ Linden	*Tilia*	*americana*	'Wandell	●		●	●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Glenleven Littleleaf Linden	*Tilia*	*cordata*	'Glenleven'	●		●	●					GD	GD	GD
Golden Cascade Linden	*Tilia*	*cordata*	'Golden cascade'	●			●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Littleleaf Linden	*Tilia*	*cordata*		●		●	●					GD	GD	GD
Norlin ® Linden	*Tilia*	*cordata*	'Norlin'	●			●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Harvest Gold ® Linden	*Tilia*	*mongolica*	'Harvest gold'	●			●				●	VLTD	GD	GD
Bigleaf Linden	*Tilia*	*platyphyllos*		●			●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Green Mountain ® Silver Linden	*Tilia*	*tomentosa*	PNI 6051	●		●	●				●	VLTD	GD	GD
Sterling Silver ™ Silver Linden	*Tilia*	*tomentosa*	'Sterling'	●			●				●	LTD	GD	GD
Crimean Linden	*Tilia*	*x euchlora*		●			●				●	VLTD	GD	GD
Eastern Arborvitae	*Thuja*	*occidentalis*					●				●	GD	GD	GD
Valley Forge Elm	*Ulmus*	*americana*	'Valley Forge'	●	●		●					AV	GD	GD
Princeton Elm	*Ulmus*	*americana*	'Princeton'	●	●		●					AV	GD	GD
Discovery Elm	*Ulmus*	*davidiana*	var. japonica 'Discovery'	●	●		●		●			LTD	GD	GD
Accolade ® Elm	*Ulmus*	*japonica x wilsoniana*	'Morton'	●	●	●	●		●			AV	GD	GD
Patriot Elm	*Ulmus*	*wilsoniana*	'Patriot'	●	●	●	●		●			AV	GD	GD
Prospector Winson's Elm	*Ulmus*	*wilsoniana*	'Prospector'	●	●	●	●		●			AV	GD	GD
Commendation™ Elm	*Ulmus*	*carpinifolia*	'Morton Stalwart'	●	●	●	●		●			AV	GD	GD
Regal Elm	*Ulmus*	*carpinifolia*	'Regal'	●	●	●	●					AV	GD	GD
Triumph™ Elm	*Ulmus*		'Morton Glossy'	●	●	●	●					GD	GD	GD
Nannyberry	*Viburnum*	*lentago*					●	●			●	AV	GD	GD
Blackhaw	*Viburnum*	*prunifolium*					●	●			●	AV	GD	GD
Village Green Japanese Zelkova	*Zelkova*	*serrata*	'Musashino'	●	●	●	●			●	●	LTD	AV	AV
Village Green Japanese Zelkova	*Zelkova*	*serrata*	'Village Green'	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	LTD	AV	AV

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