



City of Allen Park
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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**New Tree Permit
Application**

All sections of application MUST be completed before review and approval

Date: _____

Address where tree will be located: _____

Property Type

Residential Commercial

Name of Homeowner/Business: _____

Address (if different from tree location): _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Tree Planting Information

Size of Easement (from curb to sidewalk)

Greater than 10 feet Between 5 and 10 feet Less than 5 feet

Tree species to be planted: _____

Homeowner Signature: _____

City Official Signature: _____

Tree species **must** be approved prior to planting; failure to obtain prior approval may result in tree being removed from property and incurrance of fine and/or penalty

Approved Tree Species

The tree species listed are considered for such factors as: size, disease resistance, pest problems, location suitability, seed or fruit set, and visual appearance. Another factor that can be considered in species selection is which trees are presently doing well and are relatively free from insects and disease. While efforts have been made to make appropriate recommendations, nurseries may have further information as to specific cultivars or varieties which may be more suitable for your location or climate.

Large Trees (>40')

Plant only if area between sidewalk and curb is greater than 10 feet

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Latin (Scientific Name)</u>	<u>Description or Characteristic of Tree</u>
Yellowwood	<i>Cladrastis Kentukea</i>	Moderate growth rate, flowering, smooth bark; best in non-compacted soil; do not prune in Spring
Turkish Filbert	<i>Corylus Columa</i>	Tolerant of urban conditions; pyramidal form, no serious pests
Hardy Rubbertree	<i>Eucommia Ulmoides</i>	Slow to moderate growth rate; leaves look like an elm; pest resistant; not for poorly drained sites
Hackberry	<i>Celtis Occidentalis</i>	Performs well under adverse conditions; bare root; smaller trees (<40')
Maidenhairtree	<i>Gingko Biloba</i>	Choose Male cultivars ; no pests; prune-to-train recommended; upright cultivars available
Kentucky Coffeetree	<i>Gymnocladus Dioicus</i>	Moderate growth rate; open crown; use male cultivars like "Macho" ; few pests or disease
Common Larch	<i>Larix Decidua</i>	Deciduous evergreen; pyramidal shape; no flowers; attractive reddish brown to grayish brown bark
Dawn Redwood	<i>Metasequoia Glyptostroboides</i>	Rapid growth rate; deciduous conifer; good form; generally pest-free
Tupelo or Black Gum	<i>Nyssa Sylvatica</i>	Slow growth rate; brilliant fall color; slow growing; tolerant to drought or flooding
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus Macrocarpa</i>	Slow growth rate; more tolerant to City conditions than most oaks
Shingle Oak	<i>Quercus Imbricaria</i>	Slow to medium growth rate; acorns less of a litter problem than most oaks; transplant in Spring
Swamp White Oak	<i>Quercus Bicolor</i>	Slow growth rate; tolerant of urban conditions; transplants well in Spring
Sawtooth White Oak	<i>Quercus Acatissima</i>	Handsome wide spreading clean foliated tree; not typical oak leaf; good lawn tree
	<i>Quercus Rubra</i>	Fast growing tree; tolerates urban conditions along streets with heavy traffic
Sweetgum	<i>Liquidambar Styraciflua</i>	Multi-colored fall display; limited fruit; Michigan is the northern-most range of this species
Tuliptree	<i>Liriodendron Tulipifera</i>	Needs large amounts of room; tallest tree East of the Mississippi River; limited wood strength

Common Sassafras	<i>Sassafras Albidum</i>	Medium-sized tree; good fall color from red to purple to orange; tolerates a wide range of soil conditions
Common Baldcypress	<i>Taxodium Distichum</i>	Moderate to fast growth rate; deciduous conifer; tolerates poor drainage
Littleleaf Linden	<i>Tilia Cordata</i>	Good shade tree for street conditions; has conical growth habit while young; becoming broader with age
Chinese (Lacebark) Elm	<i>Ulmus Parviflora</i>	Moderate growth rate; choose Dutch Elm Disease and Phloem necrosis resistant varieties such as Drake, Dynasty, or Ohio
Japanese Zelkova	<i>Zelkova Serrata</i>	Moderate growth rate; fall color from yellow to red; ornamental bark; fruit is insignificant; tree has elm-like appearance

Medium Trees (25'-40')

Plant only if area between sidewalk and curb is less than 10 feet

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Latin (Scientific Name)</u>	<u>Description or Characteristic of Tree</u>
Hedge Maple	<i>Acer Campestre</i>	Fits under utility lines; tolerates a wide range of urban sites; no serious insect or disease problems
	<i>Aesculus x camea "Briotil"</i>	Tolerant of urban conditions; fairly heat and drought resistant; slow growth rate
Italian Alder	<i>Alnus Cordata</i>	Medium-sized tree; pyramidal shape; survives in a wide range of soils; good-colored foliage
River Birch	<i>Betula Nigra</i>	20'-30' tall; excellent bronze, exfoliating bark; resistant to bronze birch borer; multi-stemmed tree
American Hornbeam	<i>Carpinus Caroliniana</i>	Slow growth rate; well-suited to small spaces and shady suburban sites
Katsuratree	<i>Cercidiphyllum Japonicum</i>	Moderate to fast growth rate; few disease or pests
Mountain Silverbell	<i>Halesia Caroliniana</i>	Slow growth; pest resistant; subtle flowers
Goldenrain Tree	<i>Koelreuteria Paniculata</i>	Flowering; tolerant of urban settings; choose tree form
Amur Maackia	<i>Maackia Amurensis</i>	Ornamental bark; flowers in mid-summer; insignificant fall color; round-shaped as tree ages
American Hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya Paniculata</i>	Performs well in urban settings; choose tree form
Persian Parrotia	<i>Parrotia persica</i>	Excellent medium lawn or street tree; gray, green, and brown mosaic bark; gold to scarlet fall color
Amur Corktree	<i>Phellodendron Amurense</i>	Corky bark; Choose male cultivar like "Macho" ; pest-free; upright growth; shallow roots

Small Trees (>25')

If area between sidewalk and curb is less than five feet, use these trees. Ask for them in tree form; no multi-stem forms allowed

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Latin (Scientific Name)</u>	<u>Description or Characteristic of Tree</u>
Amur Maple	<i>Acer Ginnala</i>	Very cold hardy; good street tree; slow growing; single or multi-stem (only for use under power lines)
Paperbark Maple	<i>Acer Griseum</i>	Cinnamon to red-brown exfoliating bark is the nicest factor; small-sized tree; bronze to red fall color
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier Species</i>	A variety of flowering cultivars available; can be sensitive to city conditions and pests; attractive flowers in Spring; edible berries
Eastern Redbud	<i>Cercis Canadensis</i>	Moderate growth rate; sun or partial shade; Minnesota strains are more winter hardy
Fringetree	<i>Chiananthus Virginucus</i>	Slow growth rate; multi-stemmed; flowering; will grow as an understory tree
Kousa Dogwood	<i>Cornus Kousa</i>	Slow to moderate growth rate; use tree form; flowering
Hawthorn Species	<i>Crataegus Sp.</i>	Choose thornless tree form; flowering; withstands compaction; i.e. "Crimson Cloud English Hawthorn"
Korean Stewartia	<i>Stewartia Koreana</i>	20' tall; pyramidal shaped; excellent red to purple fall color; ornamental exfoliating bark; white flowers in June
Japanese Lilac Tree	<i>Syringa Reticulata</i>	Choose tree form; flowering; flowers appear in June; cream colored
Flowering Crabapple	<i>Malus Sp.</i>	Select disease-resistant cultivars; be aware of varying growth habits of cultivars; available in many forms and flower colors: "Harvest Gold", "Madonna", "Prairiefire", "Red Baron", "Red Jewel", "Sentennial", "Snowdrift", "Spring Snow", "Spring Tyme"

Special Use Trees

In certain areas of the City or in areas of restricted above-ground space, the best tree choice may be those varieties that grow more upright, in a columnar form, known as fastigiata form. This form allows for minimal blockage because of their tight, upright habit and they will also not hang over sidewalk, avoiding clearance concerns.

Allen Park City Ordinance

Section 16-85. – Permit required for planting certain trees.

- (a) No person shall plant any poplar, box elder, basswood, cottonwood, willow, soft maple, American maple, common catalpa, horse chestnut, or Ailanthus glandulosa tree anywhere within the city without first procuring a permit from the department of public services.
- (b) A person's first or second violation of this section shall be a municipal civil infraction with a civil fine as established in section 1-14(2). A person's subsequent violations of this section shall be a misdemeanor and subject to the penalties of section 1-14(1).

(Code 1957, § 7-203; Code 1978, § 21-3; Ord. No. 96-5, § 1(21-3), 10-22-1996)

State Law Reference – Authority to destroy box elder trees, MCL 124.151.