



THE VILLAGE OF
OAK LAWN

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Divisions of: Street, Sewer, Water & Equipment
Maintenance

2012-2013 Parkway Tree Planting Packet

Dear Resident,

Thank you for your interest in participating in the cost share tree-planting program. Applications received will be placed in the next available planting season, related to date of receipt.

The 2012 planting season is currently closed as our requests have met our expected budget allocation. However, if interested in planting a parkway tree, it is recommended that an application still be submitted without payment as soon as you are able in the event additional planting opportunities arise in 2012 or to help set the 2013 planting budget.

Place your order now to secure your tree planting order at the soonest planting date and increase your chances of obtaining your first selection!

The enclosed material outlines the spacing guidelines, species available and ordering procedures for the Village's cost share parkway tree planting program. Please read over this material, make your selection and submit your completed form. The Village's Forestry Division will take care of the rest. Please note that it is a popular program and is limited! Don't delay. Start researching today!

Planting usually occurs the months of April or May. We will confirm your planting date with a letter or e-mail prior to planting.

If you are unsure of which species to select, please submit your order with "Species to be determined" as your selection. To assist in the selection process, you can visit our demonstration site at 99th St. & Central, around the ballpark. We have planted various species available to you. Each tree has a visible identification sign for your convenience. The Division is available to assist in species selection as well. Additionally the application on our website, www.oaklawn-il.gov has links to species information.

We appreciate your interest. Together we can keep Oak Lawn's Village forest growing.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 708-499-7098 or hgreen@oaklawn-il.gov.








Sincerely,
Heather Green, Heather Green, Village Forester



TREE DESCRIPTIONS 2011

Large Shade Trees : Potential height greater than 40'



** Trees can be Large or Medium

Common Name	Botanical Name	Height	Spread	Form	Rate	Sun	Comments
<u>Bald Cypress</u>	<i>Taxodium distichum</i>	50-70'	20-30'	Pyramidal	M		Sun; adaptable to wet, dry, and swampy locations; prefers acidic soils, chlorosis symptoms with high pH soil; straight narrow tree with wide base; sage green leaves turn a russet-red in fall; a stately deciduous conifer; native to Midwest.
Elm	<i>Ulmus</i>	40-60'	30-40'	Pyramidal to vase	F		Good DED resistance; stress tolerant; possible yellow fall color. ('Regal' and ' <u>Accolade</u> ' are just a few potential cultivars.)
<u>Ginkgo</u>	<i>Gingko biloba</i>	50-80'	30-40'	Pyramidal to wide spread	S		Full sun; moist fertile soil; ph adaptable; displays good salt, heat, and air pollution tolerance; bright green, fan-shaped leaves change to an excellent yellow fall color; select male cultivars only
<u>Hackberry</u>	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	40-60'	40-50'	Broad oval to vase	M/F		Full sun (young plants prefer part shade); acid or alkaline soils; tolerant of temporarily wet sites and pollution; native to the Midwest
<u>Kentucky Coffeetree **</u>	<i>Gymnocladus dioica</i>	40-60'	40-50'	Broad to wide spread	S/M		Full sun to part shade; best in moist soil; tolerant of high pH, drought, and pollution; yellow fall color; thick seed pods of female trees offer winter interest; male trees are seedless; native to Midwest
<u>Linden, American **</u>	<i>Tilia americana</i>	40-80'	20-30'	Pyramidal	M		Full Sun to light shade; well drained soil; pH tolerant; deep green leaves; fragrant flowers in summer; yellow green fall colors.
<u>Linden, Littleleaf **</u>	<i>Tilia cordata</i>	35-60'	25-30'	Pyramidal	M		Full sun; pH adaptable; prefers moist well-drained soil; pollution tolerant; yellow green fall colors
<u>Oak, Bur</u>	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	70-80'	80-90'	Broad	S		Sun; very adaptable to most soils and pH; difficult to transplant; more tolerant to urban conditions than other oaks; native to Midwest.
<u>Oak, Chinkapin</u>	<i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i>	40-50'	50-70'	Rounded	S		Full sun; prefers rich, Well-drained soils; tolerant of alkaline soil; difficult to transplant
<u>Oak, Red</u>	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	60-80'	60-75'	Rounded	M		Full sun; prefers sandy loam soils that are slightly acidic; develops chlorosis symptoms in high pH soils; tolerant of salt and air pollution; native to Midwest.
<u>Oak, Swamp White</u>	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	50-60'	50-60'	Broad-rounded	S/M		Full sun; requires moist, slightly acidic soils; sensitive to soil disturbances, such as compaction; state tree of Illinois; native to Midwest



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Medium Shade Trees: Potential height 20' - 40'

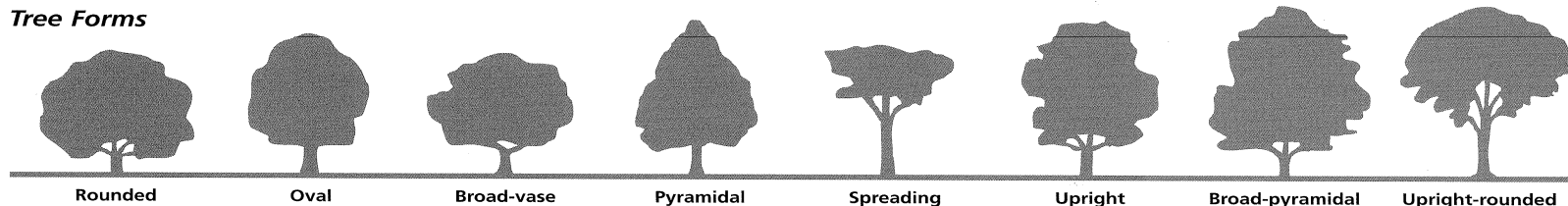
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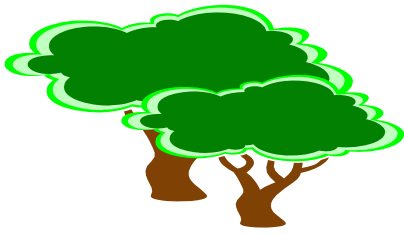
Common Name	Botanical Name	Height	Spread	Form	Rate	Sun	Comments
<u>Hophornbeam, American</u>	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	25-40'	15-20'	Round	S		Full sun to part shade; moist, will drained soil, native under story tree; interesting ornamental fruit
<u>Lilac, Peking</u>	<i>Syringa pekinensis</i>	20-30'	20-30'	Rounded	M		Full sun to light shade; large creamy white flowers in mid-June; exfoliating light brown bark; usually multi-stemmed; size variable; salt tolerant
<u>Maple, Hedge</u>	<i>Acer campestre</i>	25-35'	20-30'	Rounded	S		Sun; considered slow growing but can be pushed with proper care; has a very dense crown and dark leaves; native to Europe.
<u>Maple Miyabe</u>	<i>Acer miyabei</i>	30-40'	30-40'	Oval-rounded	M		Sun; moist, well-drained soils on the acid side; very tolerant; not a native of the Midwest
<u>Pear, Flowering</u>	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	30-50'	20-35'	Pyramidal	F		Full sun; adaptable to most soils; easy to transplant in the spring only; not native to the Midwest.

Small (Ornamental) Trees : For planting under power lines or in locations requiring smaller trees

<u>Beech, Blue</u>	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	20-30'	20-30'	Pyramidal	S/M		Full sun to light shade; slow grower with yellow, orange and/or red fall colors; smooth bluish-gray bark, from which its common name is derived from.
<u>Crabapple</u>	<i>Malus spp.</i>	15-20'	20-25'	Spreading	M		Full sun; pink buds open to white; small yellow to amber fruits, eaten by birds, slight scab
<u>Lilac, Japanese Tree</u>	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>	20-25'	20-25'	Oval to Round	M		Full sun – light shade; well drained soil; large creamy white flowers in Mid June. Fragrant.
<u>Serviceberry</u>	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	15-25'	varies	Rounded	M		Full sun or partial shade; Little tree with white spring flowers and red/crimson fall colors; fruit is edible; very ornamental.

Tree Forms





Location of your new Parkway Tree

The following are the minimum criteria each parkway location should have before a tree planting is scheduled.

- 1) The parkway is to have a width of six feet (6') or more
- 2) The planting site is to be a minimum of six feet (6') from driveways. Ten feet (10') is preferred.
- 3) The planting site is to be thirty-five feet (35') from intersections
- 4) The planting site is to be a minimum of six feet (6') from individual water service line valves (boxes), valve boxes, and fire hydrants. Ten feet (10') is preferred.
- 5) The planting site is to be a minimum of six feet (6') from recently removed trees.
- 6) The planting site is to be located from existing parkway trees or other planting sites a minimum distance of approximately:
 - a. Forty feet (40') (or approx. 8 sidewalk squares) for large, medium or small trees.
 - b. Thirty feet (30') (or approx. 6 sidewalk squares) for medium trees.
 - c. Twenty feet (20') (or approx. 4 sidewalk squares) for small/ ornamental trees.
 - d. Note: we can select a narrower cultivar in certain width restriction sites.
- 7) The planting site should have overhead space without overhanging crowns from other trees or vegetation. If such exists, a few species of trees may be possible. Ask the Village Forester.
- 8) Only tree species with a mature height of less than thirty feet (30') will be planted under utility lines.

Proper spacing between planting sites have several benefits. Adequate space between trees allows each individual tree to develop a large, healthy crown. Space between trees also limits the possibility of sight obstructions and traffic conflicts. When utility excavations need to occur, space between trees reduces the chance of extensive stem or root damage that could lead to tree decline.

If you have further questions regarding spacing requirements, please contact the Village Forester, (708) 499-7098 or hgreen@oaklawn-il.gov.



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Parkway Tree Planting Program

2012-13

The 2012 planting season is filled. The next anticipated planting season is 2013. However, if interested in planting a parkway tree, it is recommended that an application still be submitted without payment as soon as you are able in the event additional planting opportunities arise in 2012 or to help set the 2013 planting budget.

The 2011 program was sponsoring a cost-share Parkway Tree Planting Program where residents paid a price of only 25% of the total cost (\$300). This resulted in a cost of \$65 or \$75 per tree. **The cost of your tree is currently unknown, as it will be dependent on the current program structure when opened again.**

To participate in this program, please submit this completed form to the Village Hall, 9446 Raymond Avenue. See Tree Description Page for listing of possible tree species. Don't see a species your interested in? Give us a call and inquire! Village staff must approve the final selection of trees. *(Any parkway tree plantings outside of this program must be approved by the Village Forester in advance of install.)*

Trees can be planted in the parkway only, between the curb and the sidewalk. Please follow spacing guidelines, in most cases, one tree per residence is recommended. Village staff will advise on appropriate planting locations in the parkway. Tree size is 2 to 2.5" in diameter. **Trees are not guaranteed. Tree replacement will be at the discretion of the Village Forester.**

For more information, please contact the Village Forester at (708) 499-7098 or hgreen@oaklawn-il.gov or visit our website, www.oaklawn-il.gov.

Yes, I am interested in planting a parkway tree. I understand that the program is currently full, but would like to be considered for the next available planting opportunity. I understand you will contact me when an opportunity arises, and a current price structure and season of expected install will be provided. At such time, I will submit payment if still interested in planting.

Your Name:	_____		
Address:	_____		
E-mail Address:	_____	Phone:	() _____
(For potential correspondence for tree planting only.)			
First Choice:	_____	Total # Trees Requested:	_____
Second Choice:	_____	Total Enclosed:	\$ NONE
Comments:	_____		

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