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ADOPT A TREE PROGRAM

Tree Planting Guidelines

The Departments of Operations and Public Works, Recreation and Parks, Transportation, Mobility and Parking are pleased to accept the donation of services to maintain its tree population. Adopt A Tree Agreement applications are available online and at the front desk of Room 225 in City Hall at 125 East Avenue. Tree planting is an important commitment that should be considered by the property owner/homeowner as a way of keeping Norwalk green. Members of the Adopt A Tree program sponsored by the above listed departments are invited to plant Street Trees provided by the City of Norwalk if they abide by the following guidelines:

1. Application for permission must be made prior to planting the tree(s).
2. The Tree Warden and/or his staff will meet with the applicant to determine the placement of the City street tree.
3. Only approved tree species may be planted (see attached list).
4. The planting of tree(s) must meet standard and acceptable arboricultural practices.
5. The City agrees to water the tree(s) for two years to increase the chances for the tree's survival. The resident/homeowner agrees to allow the City's contractor to enter the property for purposes of watering the tree. Subsequent to the two (2) years of city watering, the resident/homeowner agrees to water the tree as needed.
6. The resident/homeowner will not remove the tree without the permission of the Tree Warden.
7. For health and safety reasons, Adopt-A-Trees are to be planted in a location that is:
 - a) At least 10 feet from utility wires (unless express permission from the Tree Warden is given).
 - b) At least 15 feet from fire hydrants and streetlights.
 - c) At least 30 feet from street corners and signs (unless express permission from the Tree Warden is given).
 - d) Approximately 30 feet from another tree.
8. Please note that this Program is not intended to provide landscaping for commercial development or to address City of Norwalk Planning & Zoning or Conservation Commission violations that require the planting of trees or shrubs.