

TO: Landscape Maintenance Division:
Forestry
2101 G St. Bldg. E1
Fresno CA, 93706
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DATE: _____

TREE PLANTING PERMIT

The undersigned owner(s) requests permission to plant _____ tree(s) to be planted at _____.

It is understood that the homeowner will plant the tree(s) in accordance with City of Fresno regulations.

Please indicate your tree choice below. Tree selections shall be approved by the Street Maintenance Division, Forestry Staff. If your designated tree choice is not approved, a city arborist will discuss with you an appropriate tree selection.

1st Tree Choice _____

2nd Tree Choice _____

I the undersigned _____, agree to plant a tree approved by the City of Fresno, Street Maintenance Division, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and State of California and hereby voluntarily release, discharge, waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to me arising as a result of planting this tree and/or in a way connected with this tree and/or activities, operations and/or functions or any incidental thereto wherever or however the same may occur and for whatever period, connected to this tree agreement, and I do for myself, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns hereby release, waive, discharge and relinquish any action or causes of action, aforesaid, which may hereafter arise from me and for my estate, and agree that under no circumstances will I or my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns prosecute, present any claim for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death against the City of Fresno or any of its officers, agents, servants or employees for any of said causes of action, whether the same shall arise by the negligence of any of said persons, or otherwise. **IT IS THE INTENTION OF UNDERSIGNED BY THIS INSTRUMENT, TO HAVE AGREED TO THE ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK AND, TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE THE CITY OF FRESNO OR ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY PASSIVE OR ACTIVE NEGLIGENCE.**

I, the undersigned, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators or assigns agree that in the event any claim for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death shall be claimed and/or prosecuted against the City of Fresno, or any of its officers, agents, servants, or employees arising as a result of planting this tree and or in any way connected with this tree and/or activities, operations and/or functions or any incidental thereto wherever or however the same may occur and for whatever period connected to this tree agreement, I, the undersigned, shall hold harmless, indemnify and defend the City of Fresno, its officials, members, agents and employees against any claims, costs, damages, demands, liability and notices, or any of these, caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the City of Fresno.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read the foregoing paragraphs, has been fully and completely advised of the potential dangers incidental to engaging in the planting, maintaining, and possible future removal of this tree, and is fully aware of the legal consequences of signing the within instrument.

PROPERTY OWNER _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

RESIDENCE PHONE (____) _____ BUSINESS PHONE (____) _____

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER _____

PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED / DENIED ON _____ SIGNATURE _____

SPECIFICATIONS FOR STREET TREE PLANTING

1. The property owner can plant one tree per lot or one tree per 40' of frontage footage, FMC 13-304(c). Additional trees may be approved by the Landscape Maintenance Division upon considering criteria specified in FMC 13-304(b). Contact the Tree Program Specialist (621-1354) to discuss the choice of street tree species.
2. Tree spacing will be thirty to sixty feet on center (except in the downtown area where spacing will be 24 feet on center).. Trees shall be planted at least:
 - 30' from street corners for visibility
 - 15' from stop signs, alleys, light pole and power poles
 - 10' from fire hydrants
 - 8' from sewer lines
 - 5' from building overhangs
 - 3' from gas lines, electrical lines, water lines, adjoining property lines and roof drains
 - 2' from underground telephone lines
 - 1.5' from concrete improvements and underground cable television lines
3. City street tree planting use a variety of tree species on each block to develop a diverse landscape. Contact the Tree Program Specialist (621-1354) to obtain the requirements for tree size, location, marking and species selection to be used on your project.
4. The homeowner shall contact the Underground Service Alert Center (USA) to have all utility companies who participate in their program mark the location of their facilities and designate those planting sites that could pose problems (1-800-642-2444). The following agencies which are not incorporated in the USA program also need to be contacted to locate their underground facilities prior to any excavation:
 - a. Fresno Irrigation District, 233-7161
 - b. Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, 456-3292
 - c. Pinedale Public Utilities District, 431-8516

TREE PLANTING SPECIES LIST

General Use Tree List:

Cercis canadensis ‘Oklahoma’	Redbud Eastern Oklahoma
Cinnamomum camphora	Camphor
Fraxinus Americana ‘Autumn Purple’	American Ash
Fraxinus Americana ‘Autumn Applause’	American Ash
Koelreuteria paniculata	Golden Rain Tree
Lagerstroemia indica ‘Indian’ var.	‘Indian’ var. Crape Myrtle
Magnolia grandiflora ‘Russet’	Southern Magnolia
Pistacia chinensis	Chinese Pistache
Platanus acerifolia ‘Columbia’	London Plane Tree
Quercus agrifolia	Coast Live Oak
Quercus virginiana	Southern Live Oak
Quercus wislizenii	Interior Live Oak
Sapium sebiferum	Chinese Tallow
Zelkova serrata ‘Village Green’	Zelkova
Ginkgo biloba ‘Autumn Gold’	Autumn Gold Ginkgo
Ginkgo biloba ‘Fairmont’	Fairmont Ginkgo
Ginkgo biloba ‘Saratoga’	Ginkgo Saratoga
Prunus cerasifera ‘Atropurpea’	Purple Leaf Plum
Arbutus unedo	Strawberry tree

Special Use trees:

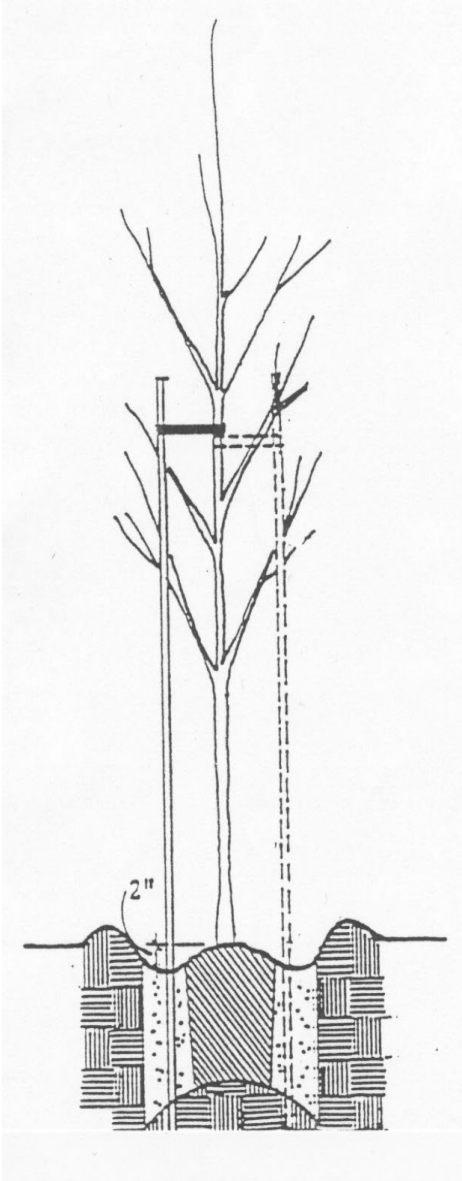
Quercus ilex	Holly Oak (So. of McKinley)
Ulmus parvifolia ‘Drake’	Chinese Elm
Cupressus arizonica	Arizona Cypress
Koelreuteria paniculata	Goldenrain Tree
Sophora japonica ‘Regent’	Chinese Scholar Tree
Quercus suber	Cork Oak (So. of McKinley)

Under PG&E :

Acer campestre	Hedge Maple
Arbutus unedo ‘Marina’	Marina Strawberry Tree
Chionanthus retusus (male)	Chinese Fringe Tree
Diospyros virginiana (male)	Ornamental Persimmon
Elaeocarpus decipiens	Japanese Blueberry Tree
Laurus nobilis	Sweet Bay Laurel
Magnolia ‘Little Gem’	
Magnolia ‘St. Mary’s’	
Magnolia ‘Samuel Sommers’	
Magnolia ‘Victoria’	

General Planting & Staking Detail

1. One drainage hole, minimum diameter 24", shall be drilled for each tree to a depth of 4'. Backfill with equal parts of water and original soil. Soil shall settle 21 days prior to planting.
2. Planting hole to be twice the diameter of container with depth equal to root ball (less 1 to 2" in clay soils).
3. Place tree in center of hole.
4. Tamp backfill firmly to force out all air pockets.
5. Water tree immediately after planting.



Two tree stakes are to be placed on each side of the tree. More than two stakes per tree may be required in special situations as determined by Tree Program Specialist.

Place tree tie at lowest point along trunk where the trees wood will support itself.

All trimming and pruning to be done only with Tree Program Specialist approval.

Tree ties to be approved rubber or plastic strap nailed to stake.

Treated 2" lodge pole pine stake as specified to be set vertically on windward side of tree.

Top of root ball to be set at finish grade in sandy or loam soils, and 1 to 2" above grade in clay soils.

Cover sides of root ball with when above grade.

Construct water basin 36" in diameter with 6" berm around perimeter. In turf, the basin shall be below grade such that the turf serves as the berm.