



TO: Landscape Maintenance Division:
Tree Program Specialist
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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, Landscape 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:**

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

**Special Use trees:**

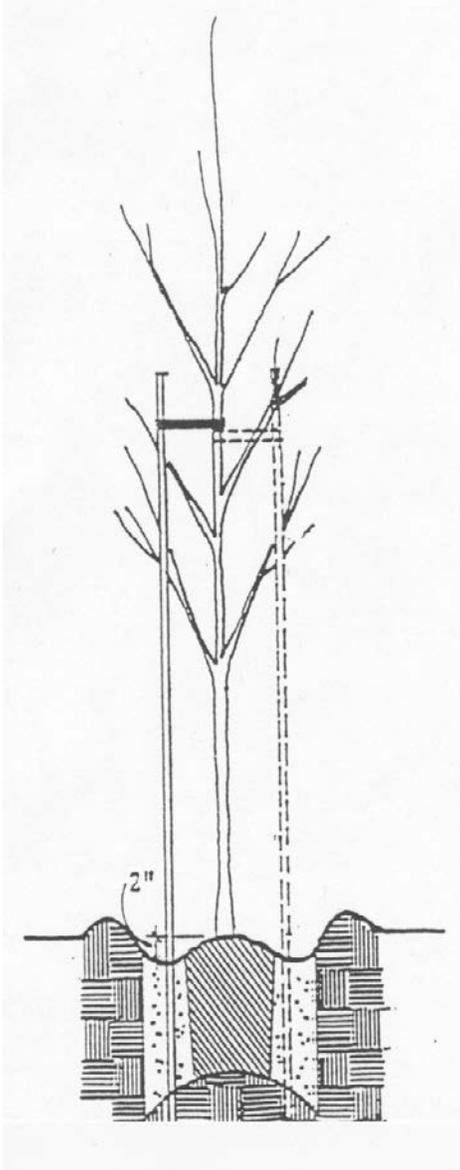
<b>Quercus ilex</b>	<b>Holly Oak (So. of McKinley)</b>
<b>Ulmus parvifolia ‘Drake’</b>	<b>Chinese Elm</b>
<b>Cupressus arizonica</b>	<b>Arizona Cypress</b>
<b>Koelreuteria paniculata</b>	<b>Goldenrain Tree</b>
<b>Sophora japonica ‘Regent’</b>	<b>Chinese Scholar Tree</b>
<b>Quercus suber</b>	<b>Cork Oak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

**Under PG&E :**

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

## 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.