



# Parks, Recreation, and Forestry

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**ISSUED TO:**

**SEND TO:**  
Parks, Recreation and Forestry  
Attn: Dan Trussoni  
400 La Crosse St.  
La Crosse WI 54601

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_.

**SPECIES:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2016 BOULEVARD TREE PLANTING PERMIT

This permit is issued with the understanding that the property owner will comply with ordinance 10.04 section C of the City of La Crosse Municipal Code. The planted tree then becomes the property of the city with pruning and the determination of removal governed by the Forestry Division. Watering and fertilizing care for the tree will be provided by the homeowner. In determining the site to plant the tree, existing utilities must be considered. No large under power wires, 15' from power poles, 15' from hydrants, 6' from underground gas, water, and sewer lines. If you have questions about placing the tree call **608-789-4915**, and ask for the forestry division. Hours: 8:30am to 5:00pm.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF ORDINANCE 10.04

- Trees must be of 1-1/2" caliper (diameter of trunk 6" up from base).
- No tree shall be planted within 30' of an intersection.
- No tree shall be planted within 2' of curb line or sidewalk.
- Minimum distance between trees will be 35'.

### PROHIBITED BOULEVARD TREES:

Because of various objectionable characteristics the following trees are **NOT** permitted to be planted street side within the city limits of La Crosse:

EVERGREENS (CONIFERS)  
BIRCH  
BUTTERNUT  
COTTONWOOD  
MULBERRY  
SIBERIAN ELM  
MOUNTAIN ASH

AMERICAN ELM  
BLACK LOCUST  
HICKORY  
POPLAR  
ASH  
WILLOW

ASPEN  
BLACK WALNUT  
"CHINESE ELM"  
FRUIT TREES (bearers)  
RUSSIAN OLIVES  
MAPLE  
AMERICAN CHESTNUT



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## RECOMMENDED BOULEVARD TREES

### 2016

La Crosse’s urban forest encourages a diversity of trees. We invite citizens to research the tree they desire and see if it will make a good curbside tree, also to research proper planting methods to get the tree off to its best possible start. Information can be obtained from the library, nurseries, the National Arbor Day Foundation, University Extension Office, and the La Crosse Forestry Division Office. In conjunction with planting we recommend researching proper aftercare. Ex. mulching, winter wrap on the trunks of thin-barked trees, and fertilizing after the tree has been in for two years.

### **BOULEVARD TREES FOR THE CITY OF LA CROSSE ARE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:**

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|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| TREE LILAC (SINGLE STEM)                          | HONEYLOCUST       | HACKBERRY                  |
| SILVER LINDEN                                     | IRONWOOD          | FRUITLESS PEAR/PLUM        |
| MUSCLEWOOD                                        | ALDER             | RIVER BIRCH (SINGLE STEM)  |
| GINKGO (MALE)                                     | AMUR CORKTREE     | ENGLISH OAK                |
| AMUR MACCKIA                                      | DED RESISTANT ELM | KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE       |
| CRABAPPLE (must be upright and disease resistant) |                   | SERVICEBERRY (SINGLE STEM) |

**\*Street trees will be pruned throughout their life for traffic and pedestrian clearance.\***

Some species of trees do not make desirable street side trees. The city of La Crosse prohibits the planting of trees that have weak wood structure, shallow roots, are susceptible to disease, have nuts or large fruits, have thorns, require constant maintenance, and those that do not adapt well to the harsh conditions of a street side planting site (ex. salt sensitive).