



Parks, Recreation, and Forestry

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

NAME: _____ .

ADDRESS: _____ .
_____ .

PHONE: _____ .

DATE: ____ / ____ / ____ .

SPECIES: _____ .

SIGNED: _____ .

2019 BOULEVARD TREE PLANTING PERMIT

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This permit is issued with the understanding that the property owner will comply with ordinances 34-144 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. **IMPORTANT: Residents must contact Digger's Hotline 800-242-8511 to locate the utilities before planting.** Once Digger's Hotline has located utilities on the boulevard, you must then inform the Parks and Recreation Department. If you have questions about placing the tree call **608-789-4915**. Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ORDINANCE 34-144

- Trees must be of 1.5in 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:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EVERGREENS (CONIFERS) • BLACK LOCUST • FRUIT TREES (BEARERS) • COTTONWOOD • RUSSIAN OLIVES • MULBERRY • MAPLE • SIBERIAN ELM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASH • WILLOW • ASPEN • NON-DED ELM |
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RECOMMENDED BOULEVARD TREES

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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:

TALL

- HONEYLOCUST
- HACKBERRY
- LINDEN
- ALDER
- RIVER BIRCH
- GINKGO (MALE)
- AMUR CORKTREE
- OAK
- DED RESISTANT ELM
- KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE
- HICKORY
- ZELKOVA
- BUCKEYE
- CATALPA
- TULIP POPLAR
- TURKISH FILBERT
- SYCAMORE/PLANE TREE

SMALL

- TREE LILAC (SINGLE STEM)
- MUSCLEWOOD
- AMUR MAACKIA
- CRABAPPLE (must be upright and disease resistant)
- HAWTHORNE
- IRONWOOD
- ALDER
- RED BUD
- MAGNOLIA
- FRUITLESS PEAR/PLUM
- SERVICEBERRY
- DOGWOOD

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

Any tree planted shall be *Single Stem and Thornless*

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).