

To be incorporated into all construction documents for right-of-way improvements

The following specifications are guidelines to ensure that the parkway trees are not damaged during the proposed construction.

As with all guidelines, it will be in the contractor's best interest, to schedule a meeting prior to construction to ensure that all questions regarding proposed work and tree impacts are discussed and agreement reached with the Village Forester.

PROXIMITY TO TREES

- Any new sidewalk or street excavation to be made will require prior approval by the Village Forester.
- Site markings indicating proximity of proposed work shall be marked by each tree with paint prior to scheduling an inspection by the Village Forester.
- The permitted distance from the trunk of a tree to any proposed excavation is 6 feet or more.
- If the proposed improvement is within 6 feet or less of the tree, the tree may be required to be removed. (See Tree Removal).

TREE PRESERVATION FENCING

- Wooden slat snow fence will need to be erected from drip line to drip line of each tree within the construction zone.
- Enclosed Tree Protection Detail will be part of the construction documents.

TREE ROOT PRUNING

- Root pruning shall be performed on any tree that is more than 6 feet from the proposed construction zone.
- Root pruning will **not be permitted** on any tree that is less than 6 feet away from proposed construction zone.
- Root pruning equipment must be approved by the Village Forester prior to use.
- Hand root pruning will not be permitted unless approved by the Village Forester. All hand root pruning will require a Certified Arborist's supervision.

TREE REMOVAL

- Tree removal is recommended for trees closer than 6 feet to a construction zone.
- The use of structural soil and barrier fabric will be considered as an alternative to tree removal.
- All tree removals require a written permit from the Village Forester **prior** to removal.

TREE CANOPY PRUNING

- Tree branches hanging into the construction zone may be pruned by a Certified Tree Worker.
- All pruning cuts must meet ANSI A300-2001 Standards.
- No American Elms or Oaks may be pruned without written permission and instructions to Certified Arborist from the Village Forester between April 1st and October 31st.

DAMAGE TO TREES

- Failure to follow these specifications will result in the contractor requiring to post a cash bond, equivalent to the value of each damaged tree, for a period not to exceed 3 years.
- Bond value will be determined by the Village Forester.
- The Village Forester reserves the right to stop the job for unsupervised work that is determined to cause irreparable damage to any right-of-way tree. Stop work order will be enforced until the cash bond is paid as determined.

CONSTRUCTION AND TREE PRESERVATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR PARKWAY TREES