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# Street Trees



The following information is intended to educate property owners and contractors of the general requirements regarding trees approved for planting and/or replacement when planting trees in the public right-of-way is required. It only applies to public street trees, not trees on private property or those in parks or unopened rights of way. A right-of-way use permit is required for planting or removing street trees in the rights-of-way adjacent to the applicant's property according to the tree variety and spacing listed in Appendix G of the Proposed 2014 Engineering Development Manual.

The updated Street Tree List was recommended for approval by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services/Tree Board on December 4, 2014 after public notice and opportunity for public comment. Please see the Proposed 2014 Engineering Development Manual or the Approved 2014 Street Tree List (Appendix G) at [www.shorelinewa.gov/engineeringstandards](http://www.shorelinewa.gov/engineeringstandards)

For more information regarding trees on private property please see the Tree Regulations for Private Property Development Handout.

## Hours of Operation:

Monday 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
Tuesday 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
Wednesday 1:00 pm-5:00 pm  
Thursday 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
Friday 8:00 am-5:00 pm

**Permit Processing Ends at 4:00 pm Daily**



# Right-of-Way (ROW) Street Tree List

## Large Columnar Trees


Scientific & Common Name	Mature Height (ft)	Spread (ft)	Under Wires/View Covenants	Min Strip Width (ft)	Flower Color	Fall Color	Comments
<i>Acer nigrum</i> 'Green Column' Green Column Black Sugar Maple	50	10	No	6	N/A		Good close to buildings
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> 'Princeton Sentry' Princeton Sentry Ginkgo	40	15	No	6	N/A		Very narrow growth.
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> Tupelo	60	20	No	6	N/A		Handsome chunky bark – <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Quercus</i> 'Crimschmidt' Crimson Spire Oak	45	15	No	6	N/A		Hard to find in the nursery trade
<i>Quercus frainetto</i> Italian Oak	50	30	No	6	N/A		Drought resistant – beautiful green, glossy leaves in summer. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Quercus robur</i> 'fastigiata' Skyrocket Oak	40	15	No	6	N/A		Columnar variety of oak
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> 'Mickelson' Shawnee Brave Bald Cypress	55	20	No	6	N/A		Deciduous conifer - tolerates city conditions

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<i>Acer saccharum</i> 'Bonfire' Bonfire Sugar Maple	50	40	No	6	N/A		Fastest growing sugar maple
<i>Acer saccharum</i> 'Commemoration' Commemoration Sugar Maple	50	35	No	6	N/A		Resistant to leaf tatter. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Acer saccharum</i> 'Green Mountain' Green Mountain Sugar Maple	45	35	No	6	N/A		Reliable fall color. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Acer saccharum</i> 'Legacy' Legacy Sugar Maple	50	35	No	5	N/A		Limited use - where sugar maple is desired in limited planting strip area. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Aesculus flava</i> Yellow Buckeye	60	40	No	6			Least susceptible to leaf blotch – large fruit – fall color is varied, but quite beautiful
<i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i> Katsura Tree	40	40	No	6	N/A		Needs lots of water when young – can produce large surface roots. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>

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<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> Green Beech	50	40	No	6	N/A		Silvery-grey bark
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> 'Asplenifolia' Fernleaf Beech	60	50	No	6	N/A		Beautiful cut leaf. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> 'Magyar' Magyar Ginkgo	50	25	No	6	N/A		more upright and narrow than 'Autumn Gold'
<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i> 'Espresso' Espresso Kentucky Coffee	50	35	No	6	N/A		Very coarse branches - extremely large bi-pinnately compound leaves
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> Tulip Tree	60	30	No	8	N/A		Fast-growing tree – can get very large in open conditions
<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i> Dawn Redwood	50	25	No	6	N/A		Fast growing deciduous conifer. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Quercus bicolor</i> Swamp White Oak	60	45	No	8	N/A		Interesting shaggy peeling bark
<i>Quercus coccinea</i> Scarlet Oak	60	40	No	6	N/A		Best oak for fall color
<i>Quercus garryana</i> Oregon Oak	50	40	No	8	N/A		Native to Pacific Northwest. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Quercus imbricaria</i> Shingle Oak	60	50	No	6	N/A		Nice summer foliage - leaves can persist throughout the winter
<i>Quercus muhlenbergii</i> Chestnut Oak	60	50	No	6	N/A		coarsely toothed leaf
<i>Quercus robur</i> English Oak	60	40	No	8	N/A		Large, sturdy tree. Acorns do not need dormant cold period to germinate, so can be invasive.
<i>Quercus rubra</i> Red Oak	60	45	No	8	N/A		Fast growing oak – large tree that needs space
<i>Quercus velutina</i> Black Oak	60	50	No	8	N/A		More drought tolerant than red oak
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> Bald Cypress	55	35	No	8	N/A		A deciduous conifer, broadly spreading when mature – columnar when young. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Ulmus</i> 'Homestead' Homestead Elm	60	35	No	6	N/A		Complex hybrid - close in form to American elm - Resistant to Dutch elm disease



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

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<i>Ulmus</i> 'Frontier' Frontier Elm	50	35	No	6	N/A		Resistant to Dutch elm disease
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'Greenvase' Green Vase Zelkova	45	40	No	6	N/A		Attractive exfoliating bark provides Winter appeal. Dark green leaves turn orange-red and purple in Fall. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'Village Green' Village Green Zelkova	40	40	No	6	N/A		Green Vase, Mussichino and Halka are improved forms. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>

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


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<i>Acer campestre</i> Hedge Maple	50	30	No	5	N/A		Contrary to its name, this is not a small tree – nice overall shape and structure
<i>Acer campestre</i> 'Evelyn' Queen Elizabeth Hedge Maple	40	30	No	5	N/A		More upright branching than the species.
<i>Acer freemanii</i> 'Autumn Blaze' Autumn Blaze Maple	50	40	No	6	N/A		Cross between red and silver maple – fast growing with good fall color
<i>Acer miyabei</i> 'Morton' State Street Maple	40	30	No	6	N/A		Similar to, but faster growing and larger than Hedge maple
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> 'Atropurpureum' Spaethii Maple	40	30	No	5	N/A		Leaves green on top purple underneath.
<i>Aesculus x carnea</i> 'Briottii' Red Horsechestnut	30	35	No	6			Resists heat and drought better than other horsechestnuts
<i>Betula jacquemontii</i> Jacquemontii Birch	40	30	No	5	N/A		White bark makes for good winter interest – best for aphid resistance, but does have issues with Bronze Birch Borer
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> 'Autumn Gold' Autumn Gold Ginkgo	45	35	No	6	N/A		Narrow when young

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<i>Nothofagus antarctica</i> Antarctic Beech	50	35	No	5	N/A		Rugged twisted branching and petite foliage – difficult to find in the nursery trade
<i>Tilia americana</i> 'Redmond' Redmond Linden	50	30	No	8	N/A		Pyramidal, needs extra water when young
<i>Tilia cordata</i> 'Greenspire' Greenspire Linden	40	30	No	6	N/A		Symmetrical, pyramidal form – sometimes has structural issues due to tight branch attachments
<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i> 'Emer II' Allee Elm	45	35	No	5	N/A		Exfoliating bark and nice fall color – Resistant to Dutch Elm Disease

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<i>Carpinus betulus</i> 'Fastigiata' Pyramidal European Hornbeam	40	15	No	5	N/A		Broadens when older. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> 'Dawyck Purple' Dawyck Purple Beech	40	12	No	6	N/A		Purple foliage.
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> 'Fastigiatum' Columnar Tulip Tree	40	10	No	6			Good next to buildings – can have problems with tight branch angles. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Malus</i> 'Tschonoskii' Tschonoskii Crabapple	30	15	Yes	5			Sparse green fruit, pyramidal
<i>Oxydendron arboreum</i> Sourwood	35	12	No	5			Consistent and brilliant fall color. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Cambridge' Cambridge Pear	40	15	No	5			Narrow tree with better branch angles and form than the species – brittle limbs may be a problem with ice or wet snow



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<i>Acer grandidentatum</i> 'Schmidt' Rocky Mt. Glow Maple	25	20	Yes	5	N/A		Intense red fall color - Limited availability in nursery trade
<i>Acer truncatum</i> x <i>A. platanoides</i> 'Keithsform Norwegian Sunset Maple	35	25	No	5	N/A		Reliable fall color - nice reddish orange
<i>Acer truncatum</i> x <i>A. platanoides</i> 'Warrensred' Pacific Sunset Maple	30	25	Yes	5	N/A		Limited use under higher wires
<i>Betula albosinensis</i> var <i>septentrionalis</i> Chinese Red Birch	40	35	No	5	N/A		White and pink peeling bark. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> American Hornbeam	25	20	Yes	5	N/A		Outstanding fall color (variable – yellow, orange, red) – nice little tree. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Cladrastis kentukea</i> Yellowwood	40	40	No	5			White flowers in spring, resembling wisteria flower – blooms profusely only every 2 to 4 years – yellow/gold fall color
<i>Cornus controversa</i> 'June Snow' Giant Dogwood	40	30	No	5			Frothy, 6-inch clusters of white flowers in June – <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Crataegus crus-galli</i> 'Inermis' Thornless Cockspur Hawthorne	25	30	Yes	5			Red persistent fruit
<i>Cornus</i> 'Eddie's White Wonder' Eddie's White Wonder Dogwood	30	20	Yes	5			A hybrid of <i>C. florida</i> and <i>C. nuttallii</i>
<i>Crataegus</i> x <i>lavalii</i> Lavalle Hawthorne	25	20	Yes	5			Thorns on younger trees. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Davidia involucrata</i> Dove Tree	40	30	No	5		N/A	Large, unique flowers in May. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i> Hardy Rubber Tree	50	40	No	6	N/A	N/A	Dark green, very shiny leaves – insignificant fall color
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> 'Rohanii' Purple Oak Leaf Beech	50	30	No	6	N/A	N/A	Attractive purple leaves with wavy margins. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Halesia monticola</i> Mountain Silverbell	45	25	No	5			Attractive small white flower
<i>Halesia tetraptera</i> Carolina Silverbell	35	30	No	5			Attractive bark for seasonal interest
<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i> Goldenrain Tree	30	30	Yes	5			Midsummer blooming – slow growing. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Magnolia denudata</i> Yulan Magnolia	40	40	No	5		N/A	6" inch fragrant white flowers in spring. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>



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<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> 'Victoria' Victoria Evergreen Magnolia	25	20	Yes	5		N/A	Evergreen magnolia – can be damaged in years with wet, heavy snow. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Magnolia kobus</i> 'Wada's Memory' Wada's Memory Magnolia	30	20	Yes	5			Does not flower well when young. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Ostrya virginiana</i> Ironwood	40	25	No	5	N/A		Hop like fruit – slow growing
<i>Phellodendron amurense</i> 'Macho' Macho Cork Tree	40	40	No	5	N/A		This variety is fruitless – fall color can be varied. High drought tolerance
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i> 'Krauter Vesuvius' Vesuvius Flowering Plum	30	20	Yes	5		N/A	Burgundy colored leaves – tree best used as an accent rather than in mass plantings
<i>Pterostyrax hispida</i> Fragrant Epaulette Tree	40	30	No	5			Pendulous creamy white flowers – fragrant – difficult to find in the nursery trade
<i>Quercus Ilex</i> Holly Oak	40	30	No	5	N/A	N/A	Evergreen oak - Underside of leaf is silvery-white. Often has a prominent umbrella form
<i>Rhamnus purshiana</i> Cascara	30	20	Yes	5	N/A		<b>Native tree</b> – fall color depends on exposure – purplish fruit feeds many native birds
<i>Robinia x ambigua</i> Pink Idaho Locust	35	25	No	5			Fragrant flowers. Sterile variety. Drought tolerant. Some varieties will sucker profusely.
<i>Sorbus x hybridia</i> Oakleaf Royal Mt. Ash	30	20	Yes	5			It has leaves which are similar to English oak, and interesting bark for seasonal features.
<i>Styrax japonica</i> Japanese Snowbell	25	25	Yes	5			Reliable and easy to grow, it has plentiful, green 1/2" inch seeds. Flowers similar to lily in the valley. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Tilia cordata</i> 'De Groot' De Groot Littleleaf Linden	30	20	Yes	5	N/A		One of the smaller stature littleleaf lindens.
<i>Tilia cordata</i> 'Chancole' Chancellor Linden	35	20	No	6	N/A		Pyramidal when young. Fragrant flowers that attract bees.
<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i> 'Emer I' Athena Classic Elm	30	35	No	5	N/A		High resistance to Dutch Elm Disease. Drought resistant. Cinnamon colored exfoliating bark for seasonal interest.



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<i>Maackia amurensis</i> Amur Maackia	30	20	Yes	5		N/A	Interesting exfoliating bark – flowering in June or July - varies in intensity from year to year
<i>Malus 'Adirondack'</i> Adirondack Crabapple	20	10	Yes	5			Very resistant to apple scab – one of the narrowest crabapples – persistent reddish ¼” fruit. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Malus 'Red Barron'</i> Red Barron Crabapple	20	10	Yes	5			Deep pink blossom and persistent red berries for seasonal interest
<i>Prunus serrulata 'Amanogawa'</i> Amanogawa Flowering Cherry	20	8	Yes	6			Pinkish flower bud, changing to white flower.
<i>Sorbus americana 'Dwarfcrowm'</i> Red Cascade Mountain Ash	20	10	Yes	5			Nice winter form - Red berries persistent in clusters





























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<i>Acer buegerianum</i> Trident Maple	30	30	Yes	5	N/A		Somewhat shrub-like – must train to a single stem – interesting bark. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Acer circinatum</i> Vine Maple	25	25	Yes	5	N/A		<b>Native tree.</b> Avoid using on harsh sites. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Acer ginnala 'Flame'</i> Flame Amur Maple	25	20	Yes	5			Clusters of small cream colored flowers in spring – very fragrant. Nice fall color. Informal branch structure.
<i>Acer griseum</i> Paperbark Maple	30	20	Yes	5	N/A		Peeling cinnamon colored bark for seasonal interest. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Acer palmatum</i> Japanese Maple	20	25	Yes	5	N/A		Many varieties available – select larger varieties for street planting
<i>Acer triflorum</i> Three-Flower Maple	25	20	Yes	5	N/A		Multi seasonal interest with tan, exfoliating bark and red, orange/red fall color. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Amelanchier grandiflora 'Princess Diana'</i> Princess Diana Serviceberry	20	15	Yes	4			Good for narrower planting strips
<i>Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance'</i> Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry	20	15	Yes	4			Good for narrower planting strips – reliable bloom and fall color



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<i>Arbutus unedo</i> 'Marina' Strawberry Tree	25	20	Yes	5		N/A	Substitute for Pacific madrone – can suffer severe damage or death due to cold weather - evergreen
<i>Carpinus japonica</i> Japanese Hornbeam	20	25	Yes	5	N/A		Wide spreading, slow growing – fall color is not outstanding. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Cercis canadensis</i> Eastern Redbud	25	30	Yes	5			Deep pink flowers on bare twigs in spring
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i> Judas Tree	25	30	Yes	5			Deep pink flowers on bare twigs in spring – drought resistant
<i>Cornus alternifolia</i> Pagoda Dogwood	25	25	Yes	5			Small white flowers in flat clusters – fall color is varied. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Chinensis' Kousa Dogwood	20	20	Yes	4			Does not do well on harsh, dry sites. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Cotinus obovatus</i> American Smoke Tree	25	25	Yes	4			Showy pinkish panicles of flowers in the spring – reddish purple leaves on some varieties. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Lagerstroemia 'tuscaraora'</i> Tuscarora Hybrid Crape Myrtle	20	20	Yes	4			Light cinnamon brown bark lends year round interest – drought resistant – likes a warm site
<i>Magnolia</i> 'Elizabeth' Elizabeth Magnolia	30	20	Yes	5		N/A	Yellowish to cream colored flower in spring. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Magnolia</i> 'Galaxy' Galaxy Magnolia	25	25	Yes	5			Showy pink flowers. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Magnolia x loebneri</i> Loebner Magnolia	20	20	Yes	5			Flower is 'star' shaped rather than tulip like – white to pinkish white in March or April. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Malus</i> 'Golden Raindrops' Golden Raindrops Crabapple	20	20	Yes	5			Disease resistant – persistent yellow fruit in fall and winter. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Malus</i> 'Donald Wyman' Donald Wyman Crabapple	25	25	Yes	5			Large white blossom – nice green foliage in summer
<i>Malus</i> 'Lancelot' ('Lanzam') Lancelot Crabapple	15	15	Yes	4			Red flower buds, blooming white – red persistent fruit
<i>Parrotia persica</i> Persian Parrotia	30	20	No	5			Blooms before it leafs out – drought tolerant - Varied fall color - reds, oranges and yellows. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Prunus</i> 'Frankthrees' Mt. St. Helens Plum	20	20	Yes	5		N/A	Burgundy colored leaves – tree best used as an accent rather than in mass plantings



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<i>Prunus</i> 'Newport' Newport Plum	20	20	Yes	5		N/A	Burgundy colored leaves – tree best used as an accent rather than in mass plantings
<i>Prunus</i> 'Snowgoose' Snow Goose Cherry	20	20	Yes	5			This selection sports abundant white flowers and healthy green, disease-resistant foliage
<i>Prunus x yedoensis</i> 'Akebono' Akebono Flowering Cherry	25	25	Yes	6			Has masses of large, semi-double, pink flowers – most widely planted cherry in Pacific Northwest
<i>Sorbus alnifolia</i> Korean Mountain Ash	35	30	No	5			Simple leaves and beautiful pink/red fruit. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Stewartia monodelpha</i> Orange Bark Stewartia	30	20	Yes	5			Extraordinary cinnamon colored bark – avoid hot, dry sites. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Stewartia psuedocamellia</i> Japanese Stewartia	25	15	Yes	5			Patchwork bark, white flower in spring. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>
<i>Styrax obassia</i> Fragrant Styrax	25	20	Yes	5			Smooth gray bark and fragrant white flowers. <a href="#">Great Plant Pick</a>