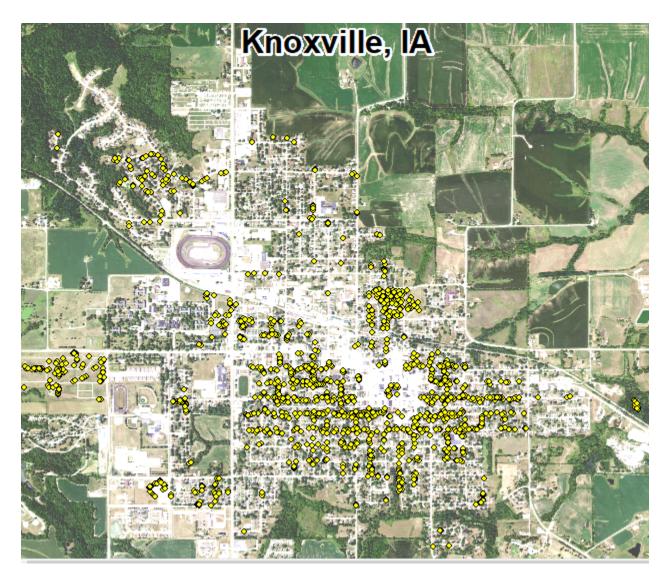
# Knoxville, IA



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# **Executive Summary**

#### Overview

This plan was developed to assist the City of Knoxville with managing its urban forest, including budgeting and future planning. Trees can provide a multitude of benefits to the community, and sound management allows a community to maximize these benefits. Management is especially important considering the serious threats posed by forest pests such as the emerald ash borer (EAB). EAB is an invasive insect imported from Eastern Asia on wood shipping crates that kills all species of ash trees (this does not include mountain ash). There is a strong possibility that 17% of Knoxville's city owned trees (ash) will die because of EAB in the community. With proper planning and management, the costs of removing dead and dying trees can be extended over years, mitigating public safety issues.

#### **Inventory and Results**

In 2019, a tree inventory was conducted using Global Positioning System (GPS) data collectors. The inventory was a complete inventory of street and park trees. Below are some key findings of the 1,326 trees inventoried.

- Knoxville's trees provide \$258,176 of benefits annually, an average of \$195 a tree
- There are over 52 species of trees
- The top four genera are: maple 47%, ash 7%, crabapple 7% and oak 7%
- 29% of trees are in need of some type of management
- 178 trees are recommended for removal and replacement of which 81 are ash

#### Recommendations

The core recommendations are detailed in the Recommendations Section. The Emerald Ash Borer Plan includes management recommendations as well. Below are some key recommendations.

- Of the 178 trees needing removal, 56 are critical concern of various sizes and must be addressed immediately \*City ownership of the trees recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\*
- 80 of the 86 ash trees already have one or more symptoms related to an EAB infestation
- All trees should be pruned on a routine schedule- one third of the city every other year
- Plant a diverse mix of trees that do not include: <u>maple</u>, ash, cottonwood, poplar, box elder,
   Chinese elm, evergreen, willow or black walnut
- Check ash trees with a visual survey yearly
- The proposed budget to implement this plan over six years is \$204,300 Suggestion: request a budget increase and apply for grants to plant replacement trees

## Introduction

This plan was developed to assist Knoxville with the management, budgeting and future planning of their urban forest. Across the state, forestry budgets continue to decrease with more and more of that money spent on tree removal. With the arrival of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), an invasive pest that kills native ash trees, it is time to prepare for the increased costs of tree removal and replacement planting. With proper planning and management of the current canopy in Knoxville, these costs can be extended over years and public safety issues from dead and dying ash trees mitigated.

Trees are an important component of Knoxville's infrastructure and one of the greatest assets to the community. The benefits of trees are immense. Trees provide the community with improved air quality, stormwater runoff interception, energy conservation, lower traffic speeds, increased property values, reduced crime, improved mental health and create a desirable place to live, to name just a few benefits. It is essential that these benefits be maintained for the people of Knoxville and future generations through good urban forestry management.

Good urban forestry management involves setting goals and developing management strategies to achieve these goals. An essential part of developing management strategies is a comprehensive public tree inventory. The inventory supplies information that will be used for maintenance, removal schedules, tree planting and budgeting. Basing actions on this information will help meet Knoxville's urban forestry goals.

# Inventory

In 2019, a tree inventory was conducted that included 100% of the city owned trees on both streets and parks. The tree data was collected using a handheld Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver. The data collector gives Geographic Information Systems (GIS) coordinates with an accuracy of 3 meters, which can be used in Arc GIS as an active GIS data layer. Because the inventory is a digital document the data can be updated with new information and become a working document. ArcGIS is the most beneficial tool for viewing the spatial data. However, we now have the data online for you to view. The tree numbers in the excel spreadsheet match our free online tree mapping website. That tool can be accessed by going to our urban forestry page <a href="www.iowadnr.gov/urbanforestry">www.iowadnr.gov/urbanforestry</a> then scrolling down and clicking on the blue "View my Community's Trees". This allows you to search your town and for specific data such as species or maintenance tasks. This website will allow anyone interested in the data to access a shortened version along with a map.

The programming used to collect tree information on the data collectors was written to be compatible with a state-of-the-art software suite called i-Tree. i-Tree was developed by the USDA Forest Service to quantify the structure of community trees and the environmental services that trees provide. The i-Tree suite is a public domain which can be accessed for free.

To quantify the urban forest structure and benefits, specific data is collected for each tree. This data includes: location, land use, species, diameter at 4.5 ft, recommended maintenance, priority of that maintenance, leaf health, and wood condition. Additionally, signs and symptoms associated with EAB

were noted for all ash trees. The signs and symptoms noted were canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.

# **Inventory Results**

The data collected for the 1,326 city trees was entered into the USDA Forest service program Street Tree Resource Analysis Tool for Urban forestry Management as part of the i-Tree suite. The following are results from the i-Tree STREETS analysis.

## **Annual Benefits**

### **Annual Energy Benefits**

Trees conserve energy by shading buildings and blocking winds. Knoxville's trees reduce energy related costs by approximately \$258,176 annually (Appendix A, Table 1). These savings are both in Electricity (319.1 MWh) and in Natural Gas (42,900 Therms).

#### **Annual Stormwater Benefits**

Knoxville's trees intercept about 3,628,790 gallons of rainfall or snowmelt a year (Appendix A, Table 2). This interception provides an average \$74.16 per tree and total \$98,340 of benefits to the city.

#### **Annual Air Quality Benefits**

Air quality is a persistent public health issue in Iowa. The urban forest improves air quality by removing pollutants, lowering air temperature, and reducing energy consumption, which in turn reduces emissions from power plants, and emitting volatile organic matter (ozone). In Knoxville, it is estimated that trees remove 4,059 lbs. of air pollution (ozone  $(O_3)$ , particulate matter less than 10 microns (PM10), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide  $(NO_2)$ , and sulfur dioxide  $(SO_2)$ ) per year with a net value of \$11,325 and average \$8.54 per tree. (Appendix A, Table 3).

#### **Annual Carbon Benefits**

Carbon sequestration and storage reduce the amount of carbon in the atmosphere, mitigating climate change. In Knoxville, trees sequester about 1,231,463 lbs. of carbon a year with an associated value of \$9,236 (Appendix A, Table 5). In addition, the trees store 13,997,328 lbs. of carbon, with a yearly benefit of \$104,980 (Appendix A, Table 4).

#### **Annual Aesthetics Benefits**

Social benefits of trees are hard to capture. The analysis does have a calculation for this area that includes: aesthetic value, property values, lowered rates of mental illness and crime, city livability and much more. Knoxville receives \$73,013 in annual social benefits from trees with an average \$55.06 per tree (Appendix A, Table 6).

#### **Financial Summary of all Benefits**

According to the USDA Forest Service i-Tree STREETS analysis, Knoxville's trees provide \$258,176 of benefits annually. Benefits of individual trees vary based on size, species, health and location, but on average each of the 1,326 trees in Knoxville provide approximately \$194.70 annually (Appendix A, Table 7).

## **Forest Structure**

#### **Species Distribution**

Knoxville has over 52 different tree species along city streets and parks (Appendix A, Figure 1). The species distribution is as follows:

Species	Percent
Sugar maple	15.61
Silver maple	15.54
Crabapple	7.16
Norway maple	6.18
Red maple	4.52
Black maple	4.52
Siberian elm	3.77
Ash	3.24
Green ash	3.17
Honey locust	2.79
Other Species	33.48

#### **Genera Distribution**

Pests commonly attack trees within a genus. A good guideline for healthy, diverse urban forests is to have  $\leq$ 20% of a genus and  $\leq$ 10% of any one species. Knoxville has over 40 different tree genera along city streets and parks. The distribution of the top genera is as follows:

Genus	Percent
Maple	47%
Ash	7%
Oak	7%
Apple (Crab)	7%
36 Other genera	32%

#### **Age Class**

Most of Knoxville's trees (54%) are larger than 18 inches DBH (diameter breast height or diameter at 4.5 ft) (Appendix A, Figure 2). For age, it is preferred that the highest amounts of trees are in the smallest size category (a downward slope) to prepare for natural mortality and to maintain canopy cover. Knoxville's size curve is on the larger side, indicating an older than average stand of trees. Trees 6-17" DBH make up 35% while only 11% of trees are less than 6" DBH. This fact shows how important it is to plant new trees to replace dying ash trees and other recommended removals.

#### **Condition: Wood and Foliage**

Both wood condition and leaf condition are good indicators of the overall health of the urban forest. The foliage condition results for Knoxville indicate that 89% of the trees are in good and fair health, with 10% of the foliage in poor health, dead or dying (Appendix A, Figure 3 & Appendix B, Figure 3).

Similarly, 77% of Knoxville's trees are in good health for wood condition (appendix A, Figure 4 & Appendix B, Figure 3). Wood condition that is in poor health, dead or dying is about 22% of the population.

#### **Management Needs**

The following outlines the specific management needs of the street and park trees by number of trees and percent of canopy (Appendix B, Figure 3). The total number of trees needing maintenance is 381 (29%). Therefore, 71% of trees do not need maintenance at this time.

Critical concern:			
	Tree Removal	56	4%
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Immediate maintenance task:			
	Tree Removal	84	6%
	Crown Cleaning	14	1%
	Crown Reduction	3	<1%
	Crown Raising	0	0%
	Tree Staking	0	0%
Routine maintenance task:			
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	Tree Removal	38	3%
	Crown Cleaning	136	10%
	Crown Reduction	18	1%
	Crown Raising	29	2%

Tree Staking

Recommended maintenance listed above is defined by one of the six following attributes: None – tree does not need immediate or routine maintenance.

Young tree (routine) – tree is less than 18 ft. tall and in need of maintenance; health or longevity of tree is not compromised by deferring maintenance for up to five years.

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<1%

Young tree (immediate) – tree is less than 18 ft. tall and in need of maintenance; deferring maintenance beyond one to three years would compromise health or longevity of tree.

Mature tree (routine) – tree is more than 18 ft. tall and in need of maintenance; health or longevity of tree is not compromised by deferring maintenance for up to five years.

Mature tree (immediate) – tree is more than 18 ft. tall and in need of maintenance; deferring maintenance beyond one to three years would compromise health or longevity of tree. Critical concern (public safety) – tree should be inspected without delay.

#### **Canopy Cover**

The total canopy with both private and public trees is 22%, 665 acres. The canopy cover included in the Knoxville inventory (public trees) includes approximately 37 acres, 1.25% (Appendix A, Figure 4). The City's Canopy goal should be to increase canopy by 1% over 30 years. To achieve this goal it is estimated that 72 trees need to be planted annually on public and private lands. A more ambitious goal to increase the canopy 3% over 30 years means 216 trees need to be planted annually.

#### **Land Use and Location**

The majority of Knoxville's city and park trees are in planting strips in single family residential neighborhoods (Appendix A, Figure 6 & Appendix A, Figure 7). The following describes the land use and locations for the street and park trees.

<u>Land Use</u>	
Single family residential	78%
Park/vacant/other	21%
Industrial/Large commercial	2%
Multifamily residential	<1%
Small commercial	0%
<u>Location</u>	
Planting strip	81%
Front yard	19%
Cutout (surrounded by pavement)	<1%

## Recommendations

#### **Risk Management**

Hazardous trees can be a significant threat to both people and property. Trees that are dead or dying, or that have large issues such as trunk cracks longer than 18 inches should be removed. Broken branches and branches that interfere with motorist's vision of pedestrians, vehicles, traffic signs and signals, etc. should be removed.

#### Hazardous trees

Knoxville has 56 critical concern trees that need immediate removal. These trees can be seen on the Location of Trees with Recommended Maintenance map (Appendix B, Figure 4) or using the free online tree mapping website. It is recommended to start with the large diameter critical concern trees first. To help prioritize, there are 33 trees over 18 inches in diameter at 4.5 ft that should be addressed immediately. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan at the end of this section. After all of the critical concern trees are addressed, there should be follow up on the trees marked as needing maintenance (i.e. removals, cleaning, raise, or reduction). There are a total of 325 trees with these needs.

#### Poor tree species

After the removal of the critical concern trees, ash trees in poor health should be assessed for removal (Appendix B, Figure 3 & Appendix B, Figure 4). Of the 178 removals, 81 are ash trees. There are a total of 86 ash trees, and 93% of those have signs and symptoms that have been associated with EAB. \*City ownership of the trees recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\*

#### **Pruning Cycle**

Proper pruning can extend the life and good health of trees, as well as reduce public safety issues. In the Management Needs section of the Findings there are four main maintenance issues to be

addressed: routine pruning, crown cleaning, crown raising, and crown reduction. Crown cleaning removes dead, diseased, and damaged limbs. Crown raising is the removal of lower branches that are 2 inches in diameter or larger in the case of providing clearance for pedestrians or vehicles. Crown reduction is removing individual limbs from structures or utility wires. It is recommended that all trees be pruned on a routine schedule every five to seven years. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan for further information.

#### **Planting**

Most of the planting over the next 6 years will replace the trees that are removed. It is recommended to plant 1.2 trees for every tree removed, since survival rates will not be 100%. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan at the end of this section. It is not essential that the new trees be planted in the same location of the trees being removed. However, maintaining the same number of trees helps ensure continuation of the benefits of the existing forest in Knoxville.

It is important to plant a diverse mix of species in the urban forest to maintain canopy health, since most insects and diseases target a genus (maple) or species (silver maple) of trees. Current diversity recommendations advise that a genus (i.e. maple, oak) not make up more than 20% of the urban forest and a single species (i.e. silver maple, sugar maple, white oak, bur oak) not make up more than 10% of the total urban forest. Presently, the forest is heavily planted with maple (47%) (Appendix A, Figure 1). Maples should not be planted for many years until this percentage can be lowered. Also, ash trees have not been recommended since 2002, due to the threat of EAB. Other species to avoid because they are public nuisances include: cottonwood, poplar, box elder, Chinese elm, evergreen, willow, black walnut, and others as outlined in Chapter 6 section 7-6-6: PROHIBITED SPECIES of the city ordinance (Appendix C). All new trees planted require city permit and must meet the restrictions in city ordinance Chapter 6 section 7-6-5 Street Tree Categories (Appendix C).

#### **Continual Monitoring**

Due to EAB infestation, it is important to continuously check the health of ash trees. It is recommended that ash trees be checked with a visual survey every year for tree decline and for the following signs and symptoms: canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.

#### Six Year Maintenance Plan Proposal

#### Year 1

Removal: 30 largest critical concern trees

Planting and Replacement: 36 trees to be planted in open locations

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 36 trees

#### Year 2

Removal: 26 critical concern trees, 4 additional trees with poor health (immediate-removals)

Planting and Replacement: 36 trees in open locations from year one removals

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 36

Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of tree pests

#### Year 3

Removal: 30 trees (immediate-removals) and any new critical concern trees Planting and Replacement: 36 trees in open locations from previous removals

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 36

#### Year 4

Removal: 30 trees (immediate-removals) and any new critical concern trees Planting and Replacement: 36 trees in open locations from previous removals

Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of tree pests

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 36

#### Year 5

Removal: 20 trees (immediate-removal) plus 10 trees (routine-removal) and any new critical concern trees

Planting and Replacement: 36 trees to be planted in open locations and locations from previous removals

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 36

#### Year 6

Removal: 28 trees (routine-removal) and any new critical concern trees

Planting and Replacement: 34 trees in open locations from previous removals

Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of tree pests

Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance: 34

## **Emerald Ash Borer Plan**

#### **Ash Tree Removal**

Tree removal will be prioritized with dead, dying, hazardous trees to be removed first (Appendix B, Figure 4). Next will be all ash in poor condition and displaying signs and symptoms of EAB (Appendix B, Figure 2 & Appendix B, Figure 3). \*City ownership of the tree recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\*

#### **Treatment of Ash Trees**

Chemical treatment can be effective tool for communities to spread removal costs out over several years while allowing trees to continue to provide benefits. However, treatment is not recommended due to the current EAB infestation. Trees that were already treated for preventative purposes should be monitored and treated every two years or according to the specific insecticide label. For more information on the cost of treatment strategies visit <a href="http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/treecomputer/">http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/treecomputer/</a>

#### **EAB Quarantines**

EAB is an extremely destructive plant pest and it is responsible for the death and decline of millions of ash trees. Ash in both forested and urban settings constitute a significant portion of the canopy cover in the United States. Current tools to detect, control, suppress and eradicate this pest are not as robust as the USDA would desire. In order to stay ahead of this hard to detect beetle, the USDA is attempting to contain the beetle before it spreads beyond its known positions by regulating articles.

A regulated article under the USDA's quarantine includes any of the following items:

- emerald ash borer
- firewood of all hardwood species (for example ash, oak, maple and hickory)
- nursery stock and green lumber of ash
- any other ash material, whether living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches, as well as composted and not composted chips of the genus ash (Mountain ash is not included)

In addition, any other article, product or means of conveyance not listed above may be designated as a regulated article if a USDA inspector determines that it presents a risk of spreading EAB once a quarantine is in effect for your county.

#### **Wood Disposal**

A very important aspect of planning is determining how wood infested with EAB will be handled, keeping in mind that quarantines will restrict its movement. Consider who will cut and haul the dead and dying trees? Is there an accessible, secured site big enough to store and sort the hundreds of trees and the associated brush and chips? How will wood be disposed of or utilized? Do you have equipment capable of handling the amount and size of ash trees your tree inventory has identified? Once your county is under quarantine for EAB, contact USDA-APHIS-PPQ at 515-251-4083 or visit the website <a href="http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant-health/plant-pest-info/emerald-ash-b/regulatory.shtml">http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant-health/plant-pest-info/emerald-ash-b/regulatory.shtml</a>. Wood waste can be disposed of as you normally would if your county is not part of a quarantine.

#### **Canopy Replacement**

As budget permits, all removed trees will be replaced. All trees will meet the restrictions in city ordinance Chapter 6 (Appendix C). The new plantings will be a diverse mix and will not include ash, maple, cottonwood, poplar, box elder, Chinese elm, evergreen, willow, black walnut, or others as specified by city ordinance.

#### **Postponed Work**

While finances, staffing and equipment are focused on the management of ash, usual services may be delayed. Tree removal requests on genera other than ash will be prioritized by hazardous or emergency situations only.

#### **Monitoring**

It is recommended that ash trees be checked with a visual survey every year for tree death and for the following signs and symptoms: canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.

#### **Private Ash Trees**

It is strongly recommended that private property owners start removing ash trees on their property due to the arrival of EAB if preventative treatments are not being used. City Code should be amended to address privately owned trees using the following sample: "If it is determined with reasonable certainty that any such condition exists (trees or shrubs in the City reported or suspected to be infected with or damaged by any disease or insect or disease pests) on private property and that the danger to other trees or to adjoining property or passing motorists or pedestrians is imminent, the Council shall notify by certified mail the owner, occupant or person in charge of such property to correct such condition by treatment or removal within fourteen (14) days of said notification. If such owner, occupant or person in charge of said property fails to comply within 14 days of receipt of notice, the Council may cause the condition to be corrected and the cost assessed against the property."

# Budget

#### Proposed budget to implement this plan

Total \$204,300 over 6 years (\$34,050/year)

Average cost assumptions for proposed budget: removals \$900 each, tree planting \$100 each, young tree watering and maintenance \$25 each, routine trimming \$75 each.

#### Year 1 Budget

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### Year 2 Budget

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600

Routine trimming: \$5,100 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### Year 3 Budget

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### Year 4 Budget

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600

Routine trimming: \$5,100 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### Year 5 Budget

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### **Tear 6 Budget**

Removal: \$27,000

Planting and replacement: \$3,600

Routine trimming: \$5,100 Watering & Maintenance: \$900

#### **Purposed Budget Increase**

EAB is currently killing ash trees in Knoxville and the highest amounts of loss will likely be during the next 1-3 years. To remove all ash trees within the next 3 years the budget would need to be increased \$25,800. Additionally, it is recommended that Knoxville apply for grants to fund replacement trees. Utility Company grants are usually between \$500 and \$10,000 for community-based, tree-planting projects that include parks, gateways, cemeteries, nature trails, libraries, nursing homes, and schools.

Some communities without infestation may be able to treat a number of selected trees, either to maintain those trees in the landscape or to delay their removal – to spread out the costs and number of trees needing removed all at once. Trunk injection is administered every two years for the life of the tree. If treatment is discontinued, the tree dies. For instance, a 20" DBH tree and at \$15 per inch would cost \$300 to be treated every two years. These are alternatives to straight removal of ash trees. However, whether or not the treatment option is selected, there will be an increased cost of dealing with ash trees because EAB has already infested Knoxville.

<sup>\*</sup>Removal of only ash trees: approximately 86 trees removed (100% of ash) is estimated \$77,400.

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# Appendix A: i-Tree Data

**Table 1: Annual Energy Benefits** 

Knoxville

# Annual Energy Benefits of Public Trees

3/27/2020

	Total Electricity	Electricity	Total Natural	Natural	Total Standard	% of Total	% of	Avg.
Species	(MWh)	(\$)	Gas (Therms)	Gas (\$)	(\$) Εποτ	Trees	Total \$	\$/tree
Sugar maple	60.5	4,592	8,004.9	7,845	12,437 (N/A)	15.6	18.8	60.08
Silver maple	63.4	4,813	8,283.8	8,118	12,931 (N/A)	15.5	19.5	62.77
Apple	6.2	472	973.9	954	1,427 (N/A)	7.2	2.2	15.02
Norway maple	17.8	1,351	2,475.2	2,426	3,777 (N/A)	6.2	5.7	46.06
Red maple	12.3	936	1,569.1	1,538	2,474 (N/A)	4.5	3.7	41.23
Black maple	15.9	1,208	2,178.6	2,135	3,343 (N/A)	4.5	5.0	55.72
Siberian elm	17.1	1,300	2,265.9	2,221	3,521 (N/A)	3.8	5.3	70.42
Ash	11.2	852	1,604.3	1,572	2,424 (N/A)	3.2	3.7	56.37
Green ash	11.0	838	1,473.7	1,444	2,282 (N/A)	3.2	3.4	54.33
Honeylocust	11.9	903	1,550.7	1,520	2,423 (N/A)	2.8	3.7	65.48
Pin oak	11.6	884	1,535.3	1,505	2,388 (N/A)	2.6	3.6	70.25
Norway spruce	4.3	330	568.2	557	886 (N/A)	2.3	1.3	28.60
American sycamore	12.0	912	1,629.6	1,597	2,509 (N/A)	2.3	3.8	80.95
Northern hackberry	10.1	763	1,381.0	1,353	2,117 (N/A)	2.2	3.2	72.98
Northern red oak	4.5	340	617.8	605	946 (N/A)	2.0	1.4	35.03
Eastern red cedar	2.6	198	388.0	380	579 (N/A)	2.0	0.9	22.25
Eastern redbud	1.6	125	261.4	256	381 (N/A)	1.6	0.6	18.13
Eastern white pine	2.3	176	279.5	274	450 (N/A)	1.6	0.7	21.44
Northern pin oak	4.2	320	628.2	616	936 (N/A)	1.3	1.4	55.03
American basswood	5.3	402	763.8	748	1,151 (N/A)	1.1	1.7	76.72
Black walnut	4.1	310	556.7	546	856 (N/A)	1.1	1.3	61.14
Spruce	1.7	126	199.2	195	321 (N/A)	1.1	0.5	22.96
Black cherry	1.2	88	167.0	164	252 (N/A)	0.7	0.4	27.99
Hickory	1.6	125	222.6	218	343 (N/A)	0.6	0.5	42.87
Southern magnolia	1.0	75	124.1	122	196 (N/A)	0.6	0.3	24.55
Littleleaf linden	1.3	102	175.8	172	274 (N/A)	0.6	0.4	34.28
Tulip tree	2.5	191	340.3	334	525 (N/A)	0.6	0.8	65.57
Scotch pine	1.1	81	132.3	130	211 (N/A)	0.5	0.3	30.15
Mulberry	0.9	70	138.9	136	206 (N/A)	0.5	0.3	29.40
American elm	2.3	173	285.8	280	453 (N/A)	0.5	0.7	75.46
Broadleaf Deciduous Lar	ge 0.5	37	68.9	68	104 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	17.42
Ginkgo	0.9	68	119.7	117	186 (N/A)	0.5	0.3	30.95
Catalpa	1.5	114	206.6	202	316 (N/A)	0.4	0.5	63.22
Willow	0.5	35	73.6	72	107 (N/A)	0.4	0.2	21.38

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River birch	0.7	56	113.6	111	167 (N/A)	0.4	0.3	33.48
Bur oak	1.1	87	155.0	152	238 (N/A)	0.4	0.4	47.69
Broadleaf Deciduous Small	0.1	4	9.5	9	13 (N/A)	0.4	0.0	2.68
Cottonwood	0.9	72	130.7	128	200 (N/A)	0.4	0.3	40.03
Japanese tree lilac	0.1	6	14.7	14	21 (N/A)	0.3	0.0	5.20
Conifer Evergreen Large	0.5	38	63.4	62	100 (N/A)	0.3	0.2	25.01
Sweetgum	1.1	86	147.7	145	230 (N/A)	0.3	0.3	57.57
Boxelder	0.7	56	103.3	101	157 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	52.34
Broadleaf Evergreen Large	1.0	74	126.2	124	198 (N/A)	0.2	0.3	65.86
Conifer Evergreen Medium	0.2	12	25.2	25	37 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	12.18
Blue spruce	0.3	24	40.6	40	64 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	21.27
White oak	0.6	43	67.7	66	109 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	36.36
Swamp white oak	0.1	6	13.2	13	19 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	6.36
Lilac	0.0	4	8.2	8	12 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	3.89
Callery pear	0.4	29	52.5	51	80 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	26.74
Eastern cottonwood	0.8	63	112.7	110	173 (N/A)	0.2	0.3	86.52
Maple	0.0	3	6.0	6	9 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	4.44
Red pine	0.1	9	19.0	19	27 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	13.58
Austrian pine	0.3	20	34.7	34	54 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	27.08
Birch	0.4	28	56.4	55	83 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	41.58
Pear	0.3	20	37.5	37	56 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	28.16
Ohio buckeye	0.4	27	53.6	53	80 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	39.91
Elm	1.0	74	126.2	124	197 (N/A)	0.2	0.3	98.63
Broadleaf Deciduous Mediu	0.1	8	16.9	17	24 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	24.47
White ash	0.0	2	4.2	4	7 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	6.65
Black locust	0.3	20	39.6	39	59 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	58.69
Cherry plum	0.0	2	3.8	4	5 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	5.40
Flowering dogwood	0.0	2	3.8	4	5 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	5.40
Quaking aspen	0.1	7	13.7	13	21 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	20.64
Broadleaf Evergreen Mediur	0.0	3	5.6	5	8 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	8.11
Plum	0.0	2	3.8	4	5 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	5.40
Black poplar	0.3	25	46.9	46	71 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	70.91
Total	319.1	24,220	42,899.9	42,042	66,261 (N/A)	100.0	100.0	49.97

**Table 2: Annual Stormwater Benefits** 

## Knoxville

## Annual Stormwater Benefits of Public Trees

3/27/2020

Total rainfall	Total	Standard	% of Total	% of Total	Avg.
interception (Gal)	(\$)	Error	Trees	\$	\$/tree
702,770	19,045	(N/A)	15.6	19.4	92.01
884,771	23,977	(N/A)	15.5	24.4	116.39
23,918	648	(N/A)	7.2	0.7	6.82
144,263	3,910	(N/A)	6.2	4.0	47.68
85,460	2,316	(N/A)	4.5	2.4	38.60
148,179	4,016	(N/A)	4.5	4.1	66.93
194,563	5,273	(N/A)	3.8	5.4	105.45
103,723	2,811	(N/A)	3.2	2.9	65.37
122,612	3,323	(N/A)	3.2	3.4	79.11
129,830	3,518	(N/A)	2.8	3.6	95.09
133,580	3,620	(N/A)	2.6	3.7	106.47
85,087	2,306	(N/A)	2.3	2.3	74.38
179,894	4,875	(N/A)	2.3	5.0	157.26
97,173	2,633	(N/A)	2.2	2.7	90.81
41,391	1,122	(N/A)	2.0	1.1	41.54
38,121	1,033	(N/A)	2.0	1.1	39.73
7,214	196	(N/A)	1.6	0.2	9.31
34,770	942	(N/A)	1.6	1.0	44.87
46,278	1,254	(N/A)	1.3	1.3	73.77
72,283	1,959	(N/A)	1.1	2.0	130.59
45,617	1,236	(N/A)	1.1	1.3	88.30
22,133	600	(N/A)	1.1	0.6	42.84
5,098	138	(N/A)	0.7	0.1	15.35
14,989	406	(N/A)	0.6	0.4	50.78
	interception (Gal)  702,770  884,771  23,918  144,263  85,460  148,179  194,563  103,723  122,612  129,830  133,580  85,087  179,894  97,173  41,391  38,121  7,214  34,770  46,278  72,283  45,617  22,133  5,098	interception (Gal) (\$)  702,770 19,045  884,771 23,977  23,918 648  144,263 3,910  85,460 2,316  148,179 4,016  194,563 5,273  103,723 2,811  122,612 3,323  129,830 3,518  133,580 3,620  85,087 2,306  179,894 4,875  97,173 2,633  41,391 1,122  38,121 1,033  7,214 196  34,770 942  46,278 1,254  72,283 1,959  45,617 1,236  22,133 600  5,098 138	interception (Gal) (\$) Error  702,770 19,045 (N/A)  884,771 23,977 (N/A)  23,918 648 (N/A)  144,263 3,910 (N/A)  85,460 2,316 (N/A)  148,179 4,016 (N/A)  194,563 5,273 (N/A)  103,723 2,811 (N/A)  122,612 3,323 (N/A)  129,830 3,518 (N/A)  133,580 3,620 (N/A)  85,087 2,306 (N/A)  179,894 4,875 (N/A)  97,173 2,633 (N/A)  41,391 1,122 (N/A)  38,121 1,033 (N/A)  41,391 1,122 (N/A)  38,121 1,033 (N/A)  7,214 196 (N/A)  7,214 196 (N/A)  34,770 942 (N/A)  46,278 1,254 (N/A)  72,283 1,959 (N/A)  45,617 1,236 (N/A)  22,133 600 (N/A)  5,098 138 (N/A)	interception (Gal)         (\$) Error         Trees           702,770         19,045 (N/A)         15.6           884,771         23,977 (N/A)         15.5           23,918         648 (N/A)         7.2           144,263         3,910 (N/A)         6.2           85,460         2,316 (N/A)         4.5           148,179         4,016 (N/A)         4.5           194,563         5,273 (N/A)         3.8           103,723         2,811 (N/A)         3.2           122,612         3,323 (N/A)         3.2           129,830         3,518 (N/A)         2.8           133,580         3,620 (N/A)         2.6           85,087         2,306 (N/A)         2.3           97,173         2,633 (N/A)         2.2           41,391         1,122 (N/A)         2.0           38,121         1,033 (N/A)         2.0           7,214         196 (N/A)         1.6           34,770         942 (N/A)         1.6           46,278         1,254 (N/A)         1.3           72,283         1,959 (N/A)         1.1           45,617         1,236 (N/A)         1.1           5,098         138 (N/A)         0.	interception (Gal)         (\$) Error         Trees         \$           702,770         19,045 (N/A)         15.6         19.4           884,771         23,977 (N/A)         15.5         24.4           23,918         648 (N/A)         7.2         0.7           144,263         3,910 (N/A)         6.2         4.0           85,460         2,316 (N/A)         4.5         2.4           148,179         4,016 (N/A)         4.5         4.1           194,563         5,273 (N/A)         3.8         5.4           103,723         2,811 (N/A)         3.2         2.9           122,612         3,323 (N/A)         3.2         3.4           129,830         3,518 (N/A)         2.8         3.6           133,580         3,620 (N/A)         2.8         3.6           133,580         3,620 (N/A)         2.3         2.3           179,894         4,875 (N/A)         2.3         2.3           97,173         2,633 (N/A)         2.2         2.7           41,391         1,122 (N/A)         2.0         1.1           38,121         1,033 (N/A)         2.0         1.1           7,214         196 (N/A)         1.6

Southern magnolia	8,459	229 (N/A)	0.6	0.2	28.65
Littleleaf linden	11,249	305 (N/A)	0.6	0.3	38.11
Tulip tree	36,677	994 (N/A)	0.6	1.0	124.24
Scotch pine	19,968	541 (N/A)	0.5	0.6	77.31
Mulberry	4,218	114 (N/A)	0.5	0.1	16.33
American elm	19,693	534 (N/A)	0.5	0.5	88.95
Broadleaf Deciduous Large	4,930	134 (N/A)	0.5	0.1	22.27
Ginkgo	5,981	162 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	27.01
Catalpa	21,183	574 (N/A)	0.4	0.6	114.81
Willow	2,507	68 (N/A)	0.4	0.1	13.59
River birch	6,143	166 (N/A)	0.4	0.2	33.29
Bur oak	12,115	328 (N/A)	0.4	0.3	65.66
Broadleaf Deciduous Small	160	4 (N/A)	0.4	0.0	0.87
Cottonwood	7,863	213 (N/A)	0.4	0.2	42.62
Japanese tree lilac	287	8 (N/A)	0.3	0.0	1.94
Conifer Evergreen Large	8,277	224 (N/A)	0.3	0.2	56.08
Sweetgum	10,817	293 (N/A)	0.3	0.3	73.29
Boxelder	8,412	228 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	75.99
Broadleaf Evergreen Large	15,878	430 (N/A)	0.2	0.4	143.43
Conifer Evergreen Medium	1,767	48 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	15.96
Blue spruce	3,844	104 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	34.72
White oak	3,539	96 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	31.97
Swamp white oak	338	9 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	3.05
Lilae	145	4 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	1.31
Callery pear	2,158	58 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	19.49
Eastern cottonwood	12,729	345 (N/A)	0.2	0.4	172.48
Maple	149	4 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	2.02
Red pine	1,191	32 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	16.14
Austrian pine	3,857	105 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	52.26
Birch	3,065	83 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	41.53
Pear	931	25 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	12.62
Ohio buckeye	3,927	106 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	53.21
Elm	14,478	392 (N/A)	0.2	0.4	196.17
Broadleaf Deciduous Medium	586	16 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	15.88
White ash	163	4 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	4.43
Black locust	2,479	67 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	67.19
Cherry plum	69	2 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.86
Flowering dogwood	69	2 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.86
Quaking aspen	608	16 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	16.47
Broadleaf Evergreen Medium	155	4 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	4.21
Plum	69	2 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.86
Black poplar	3,943	107 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	106.85
Citywide total	3,628,790	98,340 (N/A)	100.0	100.0	74.16

**Table 3: Annual Air Quality Benefits** 

Annual Air Quality Benefits of Public Trees 3/27/2020

		ח	eposition	(Љ)	Total		Avoid	ed (Ib)		Total	BVOC	BVOC		But 5 1		
Species	0,	NO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	SO 2	Depos.	NO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>10</sub>	VOC	so <sub>2</sub>	Avoided (\$)	Emissions (lb)	Emissions (\$)	Total (Tb)	Total Standard (\$) Error	% of Total Trees	Avg. s \$/tree
Sugar maple	98.9	16.8	48.5	4.4	533	286.1	41.8	39.9	274.0	1,788	-77.3	-290	733.2	2,032 (N/A)	15.6	9.82
Silver maple	153.6	26.0	75.5	6.8	828	298.4	43.7	41.8	286.9	1,869	-82.1	-308	850.7	2,389 (N/A)	15.5	11.60
Apple	6.1	1.0	3.0	0.3	33	30.8	4.4	4.2	28.2	189	0.0	0	78.0	222 (N/A)	7.2	2.34
Norway maple	27.3	4.7	13.7	1.2	148	85.5	12.4	11.8	80.8	532	-6.6	-25	230.9	655 (N/A)	6.2	7.99
Red maple	17.8	3.0	8.6	0.8	96	57.8	8.5	8.1	55.9	363	-6.4	-24	154.1	434 (N/A)	4.5	
Black maple	37.3	6.4	17.2	1.7	198	75.9	11.1	10.5	72.1	473	-12.3	-46	219.8	625 (N/A)	4.5	
Siberian elm	35.5	6.0	17.0	1.6	190	81.0	11.8	11.3	77.6	507	0.0	0	241.8	697 (N/A)	3.8	
Ash	21.1	3.6	10.4	0.9	114	54.3	7.9	7.5	50.9	337	-5.0	-19	151.7	432 (N/A)	3.2	
Green ash	16.9	2.7	7.9	0.8	90	52.4	7.6	7.3	50.0	327	0.0	0	145.6	417 (N/A)	3.2	
Honeylocust	25.3	4.2	11.5	1.2	134	56.0 55.0	8.2 8.0	7.8	53.9	351 344	-19.6	-73	148.5	411 (N/A)	2.8	
Pin oak	24.2	4.2		1.1	132			7.7	52.7		-44.8	-168	120.6 22.5	309 (N/A) 26 (N/A)	2.6	
Norway spruce American sycamore	10.0 30.1	2.0 4.8	8.2 13.3	1.2	66 157	20.4 57.3	3.0 8.3	2.9 8.0	19.7 54.5	128 357	-44.9 0.0	-168 0	177.6	514 (N/A)	2.3	0.83
Northern hackberry	16.4	2.8	8.3	0.7	89	48.1	7.0	6.7	45.6	300	0.0	0	135.7	389 (N/A)	2.2	
Northern red oak	8.4	1.5	4.2	0.4	46	21.4	3.1	3.0	20.3	133	-12.1	-45	50.2	134 (N/A)	2.0	
Fastern red codar	7.7	1.5	6.1	1.0	50	12.7	1.8	1.7	11.8	79	-21.0	-79	23.5	50 (N/A)	2.0	
Eastern redbud	2.1	0.3	1.0	0.1	11	8.2	1.2	1.1	7.4	50	0.0	0	21.4	61 (N/A)	1.6	
Eastern white pine	4.0	0.8	3.3	0.5	26	10.7	1.6	1.5	10.5	68	-16.0	-60	16.9	34 (N/A)	1.6	1.62
Northern pin oak	10.2	1.8	4.9	0.5	55	20.6	3.0	2.8	19.1	127	-2.3	-9	60.6	173 (N/A)	1.3	10.21
American basswood	11.0	1.9	5.2	0.5	59	25.7	3.7	3.5	24.0	159	-9.0	-34	66.5	184 (N/A)	1.1	12.27
Black walnut	6.1	1.0	2.9	0.3	33	19.5	2.8	2.7	18.5	122	0.0	0	53.9	154 (N/A)	1.1	11.01
Spruce	2.4	0.5	2.1	0.3	16	7.7	1.1	1.1	7.5	48	-8.4	-32	14.3	33 (N/A)	1.1	2.37
Black cherry	1.7	0.3	0.8	0.1	9	5.6	0.8	0.8	5.3	35	0.0	0	15.3	44 (N/A)	0.7	4.87
Hickory	1.5	0.2	0.8	0.1	8	7.8	1.1	1.1	7.5	49	0.0	0	20.1	57 (N/A)	0.6	7.13
Southern magnolia	0.6	0.1	0.7	0.1	4	4.6	0.7	0.6	4.4	29	-2.3	-9	9.4	24 (N/A)	0.6	
Littleleaf linden	1.8	0.3	0.9	0.1	10	6.4	0.9	0.9	6.1	40	-0.9	-3	16.4	46 (N/A)	0.6	5.75
Tulip tree	6.4	1.0	2.8	0.3	33	12.0	1.7	1.7	11.4	75	0.0	0	37.4	108 (N/A)	0.6	
Scotch pine	2.4	0.5	1.9	0.3	16	5.0	0.7	0.7	4.9	31	-10.8	-40	5.6	7 (N/A)	0.5	
Mulberry	1.4	0.2	0.6	0.1	7	4.5	0.6	0.6	4.2	28	0.0	0	12.2	35 (N/A)	0.5	5.00
American elm	6.0 0.5	0.1	2.8	0.3	32 3	10.6	1.6 0.3	0.3	10.3	67	0.0	0	34.0	99 (N/A)	0.5	
Broadleaf Deciduous Large Ginkgo	1.5	0.1	0.3	0.0	8	2.3 4.3	0.6	0.6	2.2 4.1	15 27	0.0 -0.5	-2	6.1 11.7	17 (N/A)	0.5	
Catalpa	3.1	0.5	1.4	0.1	16	7.2	1.0	1.0	6.8	45	0.0	0	21.1	33 (N/A) 61 (N/A)	0.4	12.15
Willow	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	10	2.3	0.3	0.3	2.1	14	-0.1	0	5.4	15 (N/A)	0.4	3.02
River birch	1.1	0.2	0.6	0.0	6	3.6	0.5	0.5	3.4	22	-0.3	-1	9.6	27 (N/A)	0.4	
Bur oak	1.4	0.2	0.7	0.1	8	5.4	0.8	0.8	5.2	34	0.0	0	14.6	42 (N/A)	0.4	8.32
Broadleaf Deciduous Small	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	2	0.0	0	0.6	2 (N/A)	0.4	0.35
Cottorwood	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.0	4	4.5	0.7	0.6	4.3	28	0.0	0	11.3	32 (N/A)	0.4	6.42
Japanese tree lilac	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4	3	0.0	0	1.0	3 (N/A)	0.3	0.72
Conifer Evergreen Large	1.0	0.2	0.8	0.1	6	2.3	0.3	0.3	2.3	15	-4.1	-15	3.2	6 (N/A)	0.3	1.39
Sweetgum	1.2	0.2	0.6	0.1	6	5.3	0.8	0.7	5.1	33	0.0	0	14.0	40 (N/A)	0.3	9.95
Boxelder	1.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	6	3.5	0.5	0.5	3.3	22	-0.5	-2	9.3	26 (N/A)	0.2	8.72
Broadleaf Evergreen Large	2.9	0.6	2.3	0.4	19	4.6	0.7	0.6	4.4	29	-7.4	-28	9.0	20 (N/A)	0.2	6.54
Conifer Evergreen Medium	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	1	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.7	5	-0.5	-2	1.5	4 (N/A)	0.2	1.27
Blue spruce	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.1	3	1.5	0.2	0.2	1.4	9	-1.3	-5	3.0	7 (N/A)	0.2	2.44
White oak	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	1	2.6	0.4	0.4	2.6	16	0.0	0	6.4	18 (N/A)	0.2	5.95
Swamp white oak	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4	2	0.0	0	0.9	3 (N/A)	0.2	0.85
Lilac	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	1	0.0	0	0.5	2 (N/A)	0.2	0.51
Callery pear	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	2	1.8	0.3	0.3	1.7	11	-0.1	0	4.5	13 (N/A)	0.2	4.20
Fastern cottonwood	2.0	0.3	0.9	0.1	10	3.9	0.6	0.5	3.7	25	0.0	0	12.0	35 (N/A)		17.37
Maple	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	1	0.0	0	0.4	1 (N/A)	0.2	0.62
Red pine	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	1	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.5	3	-0.3	-1	1.1	3 (N/A)	0.2	1.48
Austrian pine	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.1	4	1.2	0.2	0.2	1.2	8	-1.4	-5	2.5	6 (N/A)	0.2	2.99
Birch	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.0	3	1.8	0.3	0.2	1.7	11	-0.1	-1	4.8	14 (N/A)	0.2	6.81
Pear Ohio hushana	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	1	1.3	0.2	0.2	1.2	8	0.0	0	3.2 5.2	9 (N/A)	0.2	7.40
Ohio buckeye Elm	3.2	0.2	0.4 1.4	0.0	16	4.6	0.7	0.2	1.6	11 29	-0.2 0.0	-1 0	15.5	15 (N/A) 45 (N/A)	0.2	22.55
nm Broadleaf Deciduous Medium	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.5	3	0.0	0	12	3 (N/A)	0.1	3.47
White ash	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	1	0.0	0	0.4	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.99
Black locust	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.0	3	1.3	0.2	0.2	1.2	8	-0.1	0	3.6	10 (N/A)	0.1	10.16
Cherry plum	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	1	0.0	0	0.3	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.71
Flowering dogwood	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	i	0.0	0	0.3	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.71
Quaking aspen	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	3	0.0	0	1.1	3 (N/A)	0.1	2.99
Broadleaf Evergreen Medium	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	1	0.0	0	0.4	1 (N/A)	0.1	1.05
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Plum	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	1	0.0	0	0.3	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.71
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3	0.1 1.6	0.0	0.0	0.1 1.5	10	0.0	0	0.3 4.4	1 (N/A) 12 (N/A)	0.1	12.48

**Table 4: Annual Carbon Stored** 

#### Knoxville

Stored CO2 Benefits of Public Trees	
3/27/2020	

3/27/2020					
	Total Stored	Total Standard	% of Total	% of	Avg.
Species	CO2 (Ibs)	(\$) Error	Trees	Total \$	\$/tree
Sugar maple	2,890,250	21,677 (N/A)	15.6	20.6	104.72
Silver maple	3,612,331	27,092 (N/A)	15.5	25.8	131.52
Apple	101,447	761 (N/A)	7.2	0.7	8.01
Norway maple Red maple	452,507 200,498	3,394 (N/A) 1,504 (N/A)	6.2 4.5	3.2 1.4	41.39 25.06
Black maple	399,283	2,995 (N/A)	4.5	2.9	49.91
Siberian elm	865,700	6,493 (N/A)	3.8	6.2	129.85
Ash	347,292	2,605 (N/A)	3.2	2.5	60.57
Green ash	568,249	4,262 (N/A)	3.2	4.1	101.47
Honeylocust	324,726	2,435 (N/A)	2.8	2.3	65.82
Pin oak	645,751 112,290	4,843 (N/A)	2.6 2.3	4.6 0.8	142.44 27.17
Norway spruce American sycamore	1,020,911	842 (N/A) 7,657 (N/A)	23	7.3	246.99
Northern hackberry	258,668	1,940 (N/A)	2.2	1.8	66.90
Northern red oak	179,132	1,343 (N/A)	2.0	1.3	49.76
Eastern red cedar	25,120	188 (N/A)	2.0	0.2	7.25
Eastern redbud	34,168	256 (N/A)	1.6	0.2	12.20
Eastern white pine	37,986	285 (N/A)	1.6	0.3	13.57
Northern pin oak	168,872	1,267 (N/A)	1.3 1.1	1.2 3.0	74.50 208.33
American basswood Black walnut	416,665 204,212	3,125 (N/A) 1,532 (N/A)	1.1	1.5	109.40
Spruce	18.683	140 (N/A)	1.1	0.1	10.01
Black cherry	25,839	194 (N/A)	0.7	0.2	21.53
Hickory	48,860	366 (N/A)	0.6	0.3	45.81
Southern magnolia	9,215	69 (N/A)	0.6	0.1	8.64
Littleleaf linden	38,036	285 (N/A)	0.6	0.3	35.66
Tulip tree	218,906	1,642 (N/A)	0.6 0.5	1.6 0.2	205.22 29.09
Scotch pine Mulberry	27,152 21,389	204 (N/A) 160 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	22.92
American elm	117,717	883 (N/A)	0.5	0.8	147.15
Broadleaf Deciduous	17,203	129 (N/A)	0.5	0.1	21.50
Ginkgo	22,069	166 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	27.59
Catalpa	102,933	772 (N/A)	0.4	0.7	154.40
Willow	4,621	35 (N/A)	0.4	0.0 0.1	6.93
River birch Bur oak	18,109 47,457	136 (N/A) 356 (N/A)	0.4 0.4	0.1	27.16 71.19
Broadleaf Deciduous	397	3 (N/A)	0.4	0.0	0.60
Cottonwood	22,656	170 (N/A)	0.4	0.2	33.98
Japanese tree lilac	949	7 (N/A)	0.3	0.0	1.78
Conifer Evergreen La	10,087	76 (N/A)	0.3	0.1	18.91
Sweetgum	38,889	292 (N/A)	0.3	0.3	72.92
Boxelder Broadleaf Evergreen l	36,506 30,490	274 (N/A) 229 (N/A)	0.2 0.2	0.3 0.2	91.26 76.23
Conifer Evergreen Ma	611	5 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	1.53
Blue spruce	2,521	19 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	6.30
White oak	8.378	63 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	20.95
Swamp white oak	454	3 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	1.13
Lilac	369	3 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	0.92
Callery pear	4,943	37 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	12.36
Eastern cottonwood	65,202	489 (N/A)	0.2	0.5	244.51
Maple Red pine	235 513	2 (N/A) 4 (N/A)	0.2 0.2	0.0 0.0	0.88 1.93
Austrian pine	3,779	28 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	14.17
Birch	9,046	68 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	33.92
Pear	3,945	30 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	14.79
Ohio buckeye	14,499	109 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	54.37
Elm	111,964	840 (N/A)	0.2	0.8	419.86
Broadleaf Deciduous	1,101	8 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	8.26
White ash	185	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.39
Black locust Cherry plum	7,945 178	60 (N/A) 1 (N/A)	0.1 0.1	0.1 0.0	59.59 1.33
Flowering dogwood	178	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.33
Quaking aspen	1,035	8 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	7.76
Broadleaf Evergreen !	73	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.55
Plum	178	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	1.33
Black poplar	15,773	118 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	118.30
Citywide total	13,997,328	104,980 (N/A)	100.0	100.0	79.17
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**Table 5: Annual Carbon Sequestered** 

Knoxville

Annual CO Benefits of Public Trees

3/27/2020

	Sequestered	Sequestered	Decomposition	Maintenance	Total	Avoided	Avoided	Net Total	Total Standard	% of Total	% of	Aug.
Species	(Ib)	(2)	Release (lb)	Release (lb)	Released (\$)	(Ib)	(2)	(Tb)	(\$) Error	Trees	Total \$	\$/tree
Sugar maple	140,673	1,055	-13,875	-655	-109	101,476	761	227,619	1,707 (N/A)	15.6	18.5	8.25
Silver maple	263,898	1,979	-17,346	-698	-135	106,361	798	352,214	2,642 (N/A)	15.5	28.6	12.82
Apple	10,220	77	-488	-92	-4	10,441	78	20,082	151 (N/A)	7.2	1.6	1.59
Norway maple	26,286	197	-2,174	-176	-18	29,861	224	53,797	403 (N/A)	6.2	4.4	4.92
Red maple	24,938	187	-962	-105	-8	20,686	155	44,556	334 (N/A)	4.5	3.6	5.57
Black maple	12,122	91	-1,917	-148	-15	26,700	200	36,757	276 (N/A)	4.5	3.0	4.59
Siberian elm	32,798	246	-4,155	-185	-33	28,733	215	57,190	429 (N/A)	3.8	4.6	8.58
Ash	14,488	109	-1,667	-118	-13	18,825	141	31,528	236 (N/A)	3.2	2.6	5.50
Green ash	23,225	174	-2,728	-117	-21	18,512	139	38,893	292 (N/A)	3.2	3.2	6.95
Honeylocust	30,800	231	-1,559	-92	-12	19,961	150	49,111	368 (N/A)	2.8	4.0	9.95
Pin oak	57,505	431	-3,100	-123	-24	19,531	146	73,813	554 (N/A)	2.6	6.0	16.28
Norway spruce	3,711	28	-539	-85	-5	7,285	55	10,371	78 (N/A)	2.3	0.8	2.51
American sycamore	23,716	178	-4,900	-138	-38	20,165	151	38,842	291 (N/A)	2.3	3.2	9.40
Northern hackberry	12,161	91	-1,242	-94	-10	16,865	126	27,690	208 (N/A)	2.2	2.2	7.16
Northern red oak	3,692	28	-860	-57	-7	7,522	56	10,297	77 (N/A)	2.0	0.8	2.86
Eastern red cedar	433	3	-121	-47	-1	4,383	33	4,648	35 (N/A)	2.0	0.4	1.34
Eastern redbud	3,039	23	-164	-24	-1	2,754	21	5,605	42 (N/A)	1.6	0.5	2.00
Eastern white pine	1,839	14	-182	-40	-2	3,898	29	5,515	41 (N/A)	1.6	0.4	1.97
Northern pin oak	2,239	17	-811	-53	-6	7,072	53	8,447	63 (N/A)	1.3	0.7	3.73
American basswood	22,222	167	-2,000	-65	-15	8,891	67	29,048	218 (N/A)	1.1	2.4	14.52
Black walnut	9,002	68	-980	-43	-8	6,859	51	14,838	111 (N/A)	1.1	1.2	7.95
Spruce	1,601	12	-90	-27	-1	2,790	21	4,274	32 (N/A)	1.1	0.3	2.29
Black cherry	1,604	12	-124	-15	-1	1,952	15	3,417	26 (N/A)	0.7	0.3	2.85
Hickory	3,875	29	-235	-17	-2	2,759	21	6,383	48 (N/A)	0.6	0.5	5.98
Southern magnolia	691	5	-44	-10	0	1,652	12	2,289	17 (N/A)	0.6	0.2	2.15
Littleleaf linden	2,924	22	-183	-16	-1	2,252	17	4,977	37 (N/A)	0.6	0.4	4.67
Tulip tree	4,651	35	-1,051	-29	-8	4,221	32	7,792	58 (N/A)	0.6	0.6	7.31
Scotch pine	1,230	9	-130	-18	-1	1,799	13	2,881	22 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	3.09
Mulberry	772	6	-103	-13	-1	1,540	12	2,196	16 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	2.35
American elm	2,735	21	-566	-22	-4	3,816	29	5,964	45 (N/A)	0.5	0.5	7.46
Broadleaf Deciduous Larg	1,219	9	-83	-6	-1	817	6	1,947	15 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	2.43
Ginkgo	1,058	8	-106	-13	-1	1,511	11	2,450	18 (N/A)	0.5	0.2	3.06

Citywide total	766,931	5,752	-67,206	-3,509	-530	535,246	4,014	1,231,463	9,236 (N/A)	100.0	100.0	6.97
Species	Sequestered (Ib)	Sequestered (\$)	Decomposition Release (lb)	Maintenance Release (lb)	Total Released (\$)	Avoided (lb)	Avoided (§)	Net Total (Ib)	Total Standard (\$) Error	% of Total Trees	% of Total \$	Avg. S/tree
Black poplar	857	6	-76	-4	-1	552	4	1,330	10 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	9.97
Phim	38	0	-1	-1	0	37	0	74	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.55
Broadleaf Evergreen Medi	16	0	0	-1	0	59	0	74	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.55
Quaking aspen	209	2	-5	-1	0	159	1	361	3 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	2.71
Flowering dogwood	38	0	-1	-1	0	37	0	74	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.55
Cherry plum	38	0	-1	-1	0	37	0	74	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.55
Black locust	470	4	-38	-3	0	440	3	869	7 (N/A)	0.1	0.1	6.52
White ash	65	0	-1	-1	0	55	0	119	1 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	0.89
Broadleaf Deciduous Medi	224	2	-5	-1	0	176	1	393	3 (N/A)	0.1	0.0	2.95
Elm	958	7	-537	-12	-4	1,626	12	2,034	15 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	7.63
Ohio buckeye	96	1	-70	-5	-1	603	5	624	5 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	2.34
Pear	382	3	-19	-3	0	433	3	792	6 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	2.97
Birch	694	5	-43	-4	0	616	5	1,262	9 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	4.73
Austrian pine	238	2	-18	-5	0	445	3	660	5 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	2.48
Red pine	105	1	-2	-2	0	189	1	289	2 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	1.08
Maple	42	0	-1	-1	0	67	1	107	1 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	0.40
Eastern cottonwood	1,872	14	-313	-9	-2	1,384	10	2,934	22 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	11.00
Callery pear	706	5	-24	-4	0	635	5	1,313	10 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	3.28
Lilac	85	1	-2	-1	0	80	1	161	1 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	0.40
Swamp white oak	197	1	-4	-1	0	136	1	328	2 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	0.82
White oak	1,099	8	-40	-5	0	944	7	1,999	15 (N/A)	0.2	0.2	5.00
Blue spruce	220	2	-12	-5	0	532	4	735	6 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	1.84
Conifer Evergreen Medium	89	1	-3	-3	0	261	2	344	3 (N/A)	0.2	0.0	0.86
Broadleaf Evergreen Large	12	0	-146	-9	-1	1,634	12	1,492	11 (N/A)	0.2	0.1	3.73
Boxelder	2,771	21	-175	-10	-1	1,232	9	3,818	29 (N/A)	0.2	0.3	9.54
Sweetgum	2,604	20	-187	-11	-1	1,890	14	4,297	32 (N/A)	0.3	0.3	8.06
Conifer Evergreen Large	540	4	-48	-9	0	838	6	1,321	10 (N/A)	0.3	0.1	2.48
Japanese tree lilac	140	1	-5	-2	0	141	1	274	2 (N/A)	0.3	0.0	0.51
Cottonwood	2,182	16	-109	-10	-1	1,593	12	3,657	27 (N/A)	0.4	0.3	5.49
Broadleaf Deciduous Smal	102	1	-2	-2	0	91	1	189	1 (N/A)	0.4	0.0	0.28
Bur oak	2,679	20	-228	-12	-2	1,913	14	4,352	33 (N/A)	0.4	0.4	6.53
River birch	1,393	10	-87	-8	-1	1,239	9	2,537	19 (N/A)	0.4	0.2	3.81
Willow	991	7	-23	-5	0	768	6	1,731	13 (N/A)	0.4	0.1	2.60

## **Table 6: Annual Social and Aesthetic Benefits**

## Knoxville

## Annual Aesthetic/Other Benefits of Public Trees

3/27/2020

		Standard	% of Total	% of Total	Avg.	
Species	Total (\$)	Error	Trees	\$	\$/tree	
Sugar maple	14,314	(N/A)	15.6	19.6	69.15	
Silver maple	20,581		15.5	28.2	99.91	
Apple		(N/A)	7.2	0.8	6.05	
Norway maple		(N/A)	6.2	3.6	31.90	
Red maple		(N/A)	4.5	4.7	56.68	
Black maple		(N/A)	4.5	2.2	26.19	
Siberian elm		(N/A)	3.8	3.0	44.53	
Ash			3.2	1.9	32.08	
Green ash		(N/A) (N/A)	3.2	2.7	47.26	
Honeylocust Pin oak		(N/A)	2.8 2.6	10.2 5.9	201.49 126.80	
		(N/A)				
Norway spruce		(N/A)	2.3	1.1	26.37	
American sycamore		(N/A)	2.3	2.2	51.93	
Northern hackberry		(N/A)	2.2	2.2	56.37	
Northern red oak		(N/A)	2.0	0.5	12.24	
Eastern red cedar	173	(N/A)	2.0	0.2	6.66	
Eastern redbud		(N/A)	1.6	0.2	8.33	
Eastern white pine	486	(N/A)	1.6	0.7	23.14	
Northern pin oak	219	(N/A)	1.3	0.3	12.86	
American basswood	1,463	(N/A)	1.1	2.0	97.51	
Black walnut	746	(N/A)	1.1	1.0	53.30	
Spruce	440	(N/A)	1.1	0.6	31.40	
Black cherry	93	(N/A)	0.7	0.1	10.32	
Hickory	360	(N/A)	0.6	0.5	44.98	
Southern magnolia	174	(N/A)	0.6	0.2	21.75	
Littleleaf linden	315	(N/A)	0.6	0.4	39.39	
Tulip tree	325	(N/A)	0.6	0.4	40.60	
Scotch pine	208	(N/A)	0.5	0.3	29.72	
Mulberry		(N/A)	0.5	0.1	6.26	
American elm		(N/A)	0.5	0.5	59.06	
Broadleaf Deciduous Large		(N/A)	0.5	0.2	22.36	
Ginkgo		(N/A)	0.5	0.1	13.76	
Catalpa		(N/A)	0.4	0.3	50.94	
Willow		(N/A)	0.4	0.2	23.55	
River birch		(N/A)	0.4	0.2	28.26	
Bur oak		(N/A)	0.4	0.2	47.03	
Broadleaf Deciduous Small		(N/A)	0.4	0.0	0.84	
Cottonwood		(N/A)	0.4	0.3	43.67	
		(N/A)	0.3	0.0	1.63	
Japanese tree lilac Conifer Evergreen Large		(N/A)	0.3	0.0	26.58	
Sweetgum		(N/A)	0.3	0.3	55.72	
Boxelder		(N/A)	0.2	0.2	60.83	
Broadleaf Evergreen Large		(N/A)	0.2	0.0	2.78	
Conifer Evergreen Medium		(N/A)	0.2	0.1	18.16	
Blue spruce		(N/A)	0.2	0.1	23.85	
White oak		(N/A)	0.2	0.2	40.09	
Swamp white oak		(N/A)	0.2	0.0	9.50	
Lilac	4	(N/A)	0.2	0.0	1.38	

Eastern cottonwood	125	(N/A)	0.2	0.2	62.47
Maple	7	(N/A)	0.2	0.0	3.66
Red pine	31	(N/A)	0.2	0.0	15.42
Austrian pine	45	(N/A)	0.2	0.1	22.60
Birch	69	(N/A)	0.2	0.1	34.64
Pear	22	(N/A)	0.2	0.0	10.94
Ohio buckeye	13	(N/A)	0.2	0.0	6.44
Elm	57	(N/A)	0.2	0.1	28.57
Broadleaf Deciduous Medium	26	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	26.22
White ash	13	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	12.76
Black locust	43	(N/A)	0.1	0.1	43.05
Cherry plum	2	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	2.06
Flowering dogwood	2	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	2.06
Quaking aspen	29	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	28.56
Broadleaf Evergreen Medium	9	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	9.46
Plum	2	(N/A)	0.1	0.0	2.06
Black poplar	66	(N/A)	0.1	0.1	65.59
Citywide total	73,013	(N/A)	100.0	100.0	55.06

**Table 7: Summary of Benefits in Dollars** 

Total Annual Benefits of Public Trees by Species (\$) 3/27/2020 Total Standard % of Total Energy  $\infty_2$ Air Quality Stormwater Aesthetic/Other Species (S) Error Sugar maple 12,437 1,707 2,032 19,045 14,314 49,534 (N/A) Silver maple 12,931 2,642 2,389 23,977 20,581 62,520 (N/A) 24.2 1.427 151 222 574 3,022 (N/A) Apple 648 1.2 Norway maple 3,777 403 655 3,910 2.616 11,361 (N/A) 4.4 Red maple 2,474 334 434 2,316 3,401 8,959 (N/A) 3.5 Black maple 3,343 276 625 4,016 1,572 9,831 (N/A) 3.8 Siberian elm 3.521 429 697 2.226 12,145 (N/A) 4.7 5.273 432 1 370 2.424 236 7,283 (N/A) 2.8 Ash 2.811 Green ash 2.282 292 417 3,323 1,985 8,298 (N/A) 3.2 2,423 411 7,455 14,176 (N/A) 5.5 Honeylocust 3,518 2,388 554 309 4,311 11,182 (N/A) 4.3 Pin oak 3,620 26 Norway spruce 886 78 2.306 817 4.113 (N/A) 1.6 American sycamore 9,800 (N/A) 2,509 291 514 4.875 1.610 3.8 Northern hackberry 2,117 208 389 2,633 1,635 6,981 (N/A) 2.7 134 2,609 (N/A) 1.0 Northern red oak 330 579 35 50 173 0.7 Eastern red cedar 1.033 1.870 (N/A) 42 Eastern redbud 381 61 196 175 854 (N/A) 0.3 Eastern white pine 450 41 34 942 486 1,954 (N/A) 0.8 Northern pin oak 936 63 173 1,254 219 2,645 (N/A) 1.0 1,151 218 184 1,959 1,463 4,974 (N/A) 1.9 American basswood Black walnut 856 111 154 1.236 746 3,104 (N/A) 12 440 Spruce 321 32 33 600 1,426 (N/A) 0.6 Black cherry 252 26 44 138 93 552 (N/A) 0.2 48 57 0.5 Hickory 343 406 360 1,214 (N/A) Southern magnolia 196 17 24 229 174 641 (N/A) 0.2 274 37 46 315 978 (N/A) Littleleaf linden 305 0.4 Tulip tree 525 58 108 994 325 2,010 (N/A) 0.8 988 (N/A) Scotch pine 211 208 16 35 114 44 0.2 Mulberry 206 415 (N/A) American elm 453 45 00 354 1,484 (N/A) 0.6 534 Broadleaf Deciduous La 104 15 17 134 134 404 (N/A) 0.2 Ginkgo 186 18 33 162 83 482 (N/A) 0.2 Catalpa 61 1,246 (N/A) 0.5 Willow 107 13 15 118 0.1 68 321 (N/A) River birch 167 10 27 166 141 522 (N/A) 0.2 Bur oak 238 33 42 328 235 876 (N/A) 0.3 Broadleaf Deciduous Sn 13 1 25 (N/A) Cottonwood 200 27 32 213 218 691 (N/A) 0.3 Japanese tree lilac 21 2 3 8 40 (N/A) 0.0 446 (N/A) Conifer Evergreen Large 100 10 б 106 0.2 230 32 40 203 223 Sweetgum 818 (N/A) 0.3 29 26 228 Boxelder 157 182 622 (N/A) 0.2 Broadleaf Evergreen Lai 198 11 20 430 667 (N/A) 0.3 8 Conifer Evergreen Medi 37 3 4 48 54 145 (N/A) 0.1 64 7 104 72 Blue spruce 6 252 (N/A) 0.1 White oak 109 15 18 96 120 358 (N/A) 0.1 Swamp white oak 19 2 3 9 29 62 (N/A) 0.0 Lilac 12 4 22 (N/A) 0.0 Callery pear 80 58 239 (N/A) 0.1 10 13 Eastern cottonwood 173 22 35 345 125 700 (N/A) 0.3 22 (N/A) Maple 1 Red pine 27 2 3 32 31 95 (N/A) 0.0 Austrian pine 54 5 6 105 45 215 (N/A) 0.1 83 259 (N/A) Birch 14 83 22 Pear 56 б 9 25 118 (N/A) 0.0 Ohio buckeye 80 5 15 106 13 219 (N/A) 0.1 57 707 (N/A) Elm 197 15 45 392 0.3 Broadleaf Deciduous Mo 73 (N/A) 24 26 3 3 16 0.0 White ash 1 1 4 13 26 (N/A) 0.0 Black locust 59 10 67 43 186 (N/A) 0.1 2 Cherry plum 5 1 1 2 11 (N/A) 0.0 Flowering dogwood 5 1 1 2 2 11 (N/A) 0.0 Quaking aspen 21 3 3 16 29 71 (N/A) 0.0 9 23 (N/A) 0.0 Broadleaf Evergreen Me 8 1 1 4 11 (N/A) 0.0 Black poplar 71 10 12 107 66 266 (N/A) 0.1

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Citywide Total

66,261

9,236

73,013

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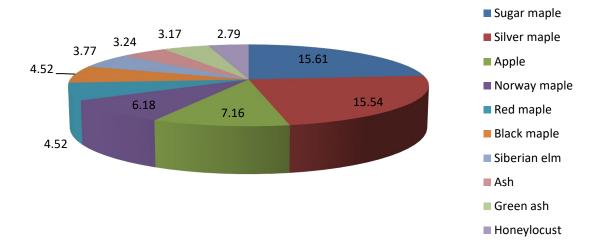


Figure 1: Species Distribution

# Relative Age Distribution of Top 10 Public Tree Species (%)

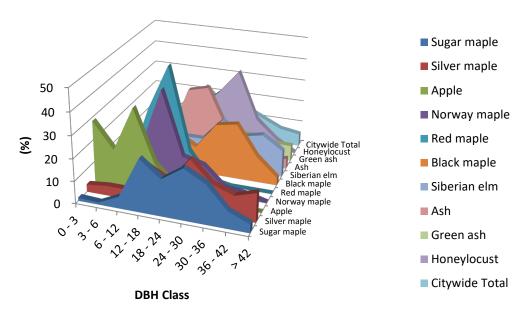
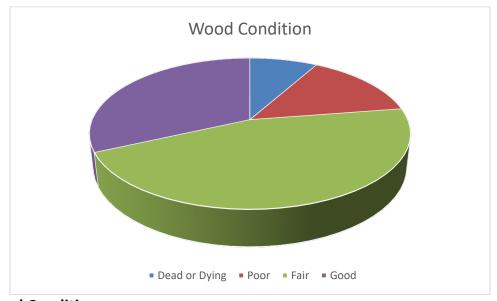


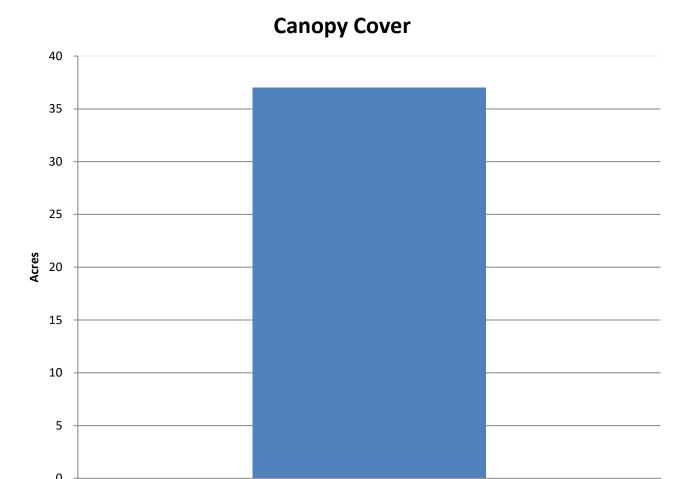
Figure 2: Relative Age Class



Figure 3: Foliage Condition



**Figure 4: Wood Condition** 



Zone 1 **Zone** 

**Figure 5: Canopy Cover in Acres** 

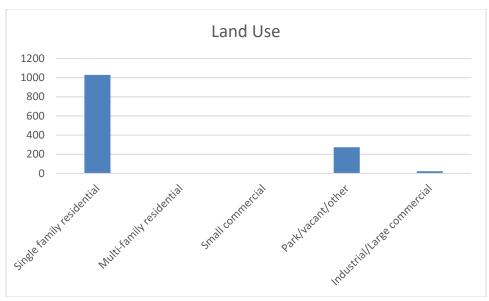


Figure 6: Land Use of city/park trees

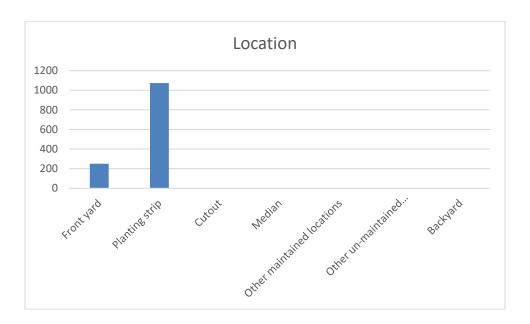


Figure 7: Location of city/park trees

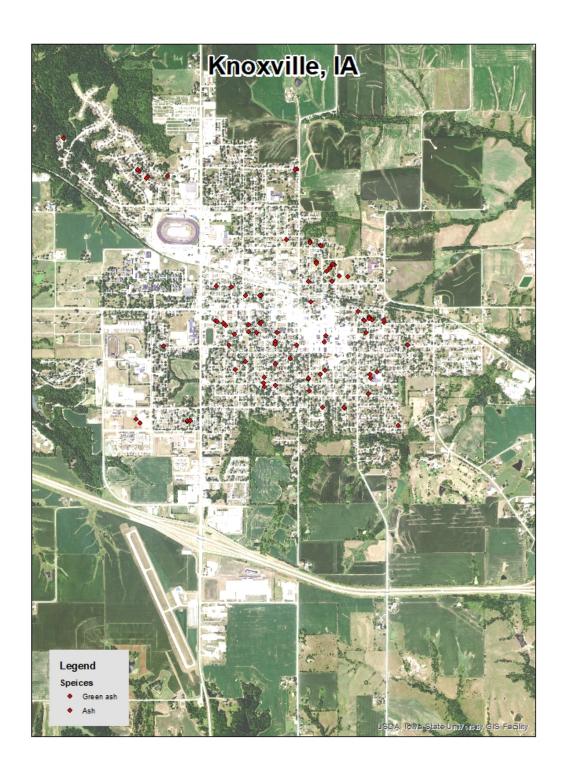


Figure 1: Location of Ash Trees

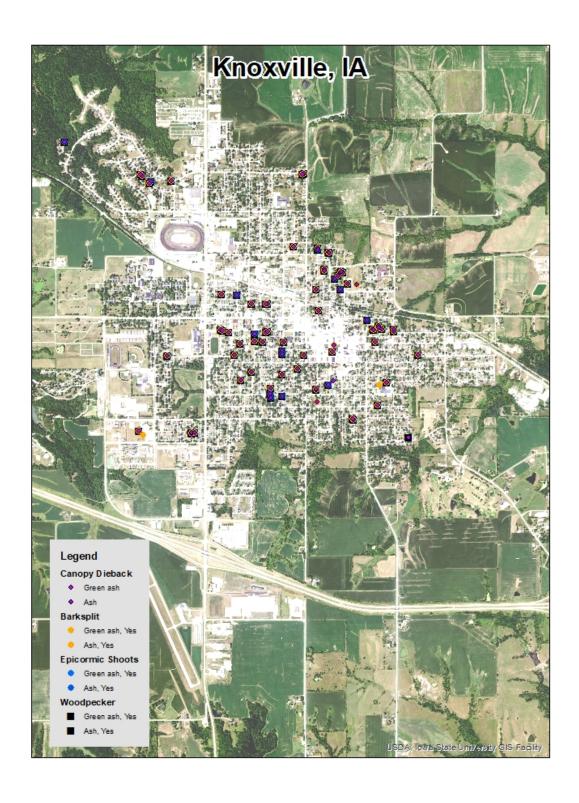
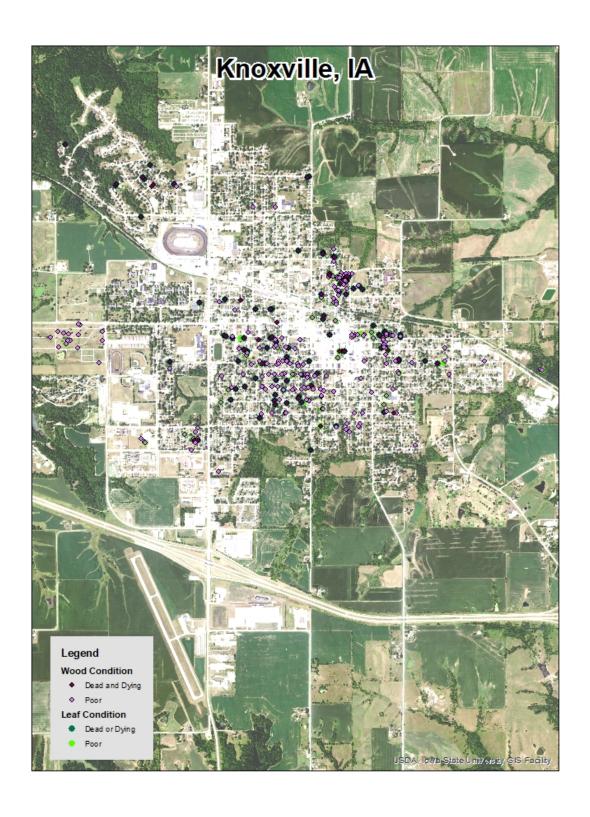
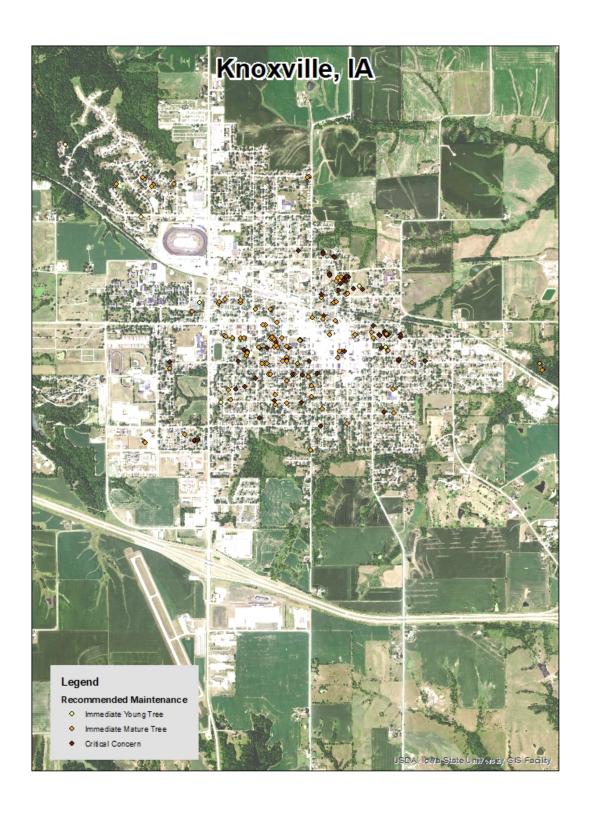


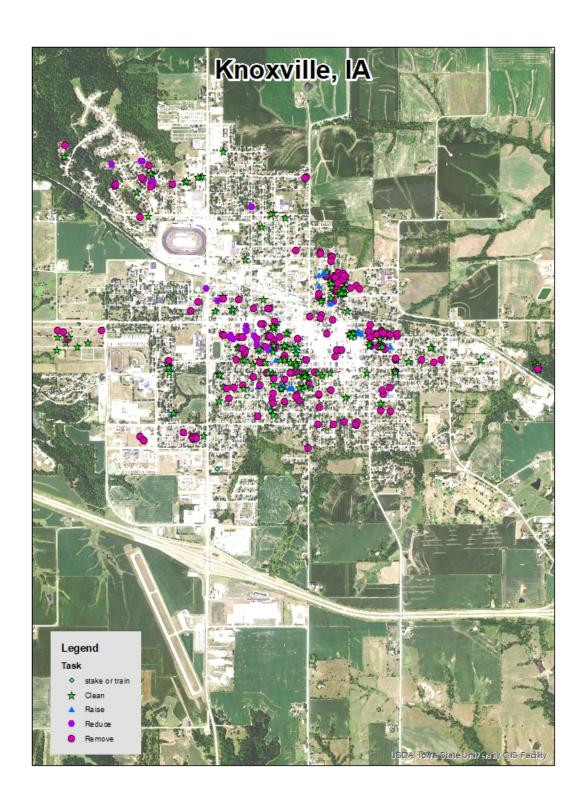
Figure 2: Location of EAB symptoms



**Figure 3: Location of Poor Condition Trees** 



**Figure 4: Location of Trees with Recommended Maintenance** 



**Figure 5: Maintenance Tasks** \*City ownership of the trees recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\*

# Appendix C: Knoxville Tree Ordinances

Chapter 6 Tree Planting and Trimming

7-6-1: PURPOSE: 🚭 🖃

The purpose of this chapter is to establish and maintain a healthy urban forest within the city. Rules for planting or removal, care and maintenance of trees are included to ensure proper treatment and to avoid interference with infrastructure on parking areas in Knoxville. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

7-6-2: AUTHORITY: \*\* ==

The zoning and building administrator will have the authority to issue permits for planting of trees and other plantings on parking areas. The director of public works will have responsibility for removal of trees and plantings on parking areas. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

7-6-3: TREE PLANTING PERMITS: © =

Before planting trees or shrubs on parking areas, a permit must be received by the zoning and building administrator for review. The applicant shall demonstrate that all plantings will be done in accordance with all the rules and regulations as set out in this chapter. The cost of a tree planting permit shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and the revenue collected from this permit fee shall be held in a perpetual care fund for the care and maintenance of the trees in the parking areas. These funds shall not be used to replace trees removed by the city or the property owner. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

7-6-4: DEFINITIONS: © =

For purposes of this chapter the following definitions are adopted:

PARKING AREAS: Those parts of the street right of way not covered by sidewalk and lying between the lot line and the curb line.

STREET TREES: All trees, bushes and shrubs located between the street and the sidewalk. For those lots that do not have a sidewalk, it shall be the area between the lot line and the curb line. (Ord. 15-07, 5-4-2015)

7-6-5: STREET TREE CATEGORIES: © =

The following is a list of street trees by category which may be planted in street parking areas. Street trees not listed must receive prior planting approval from the public works director:

"A" CATEGORY¹ (PARKING 10 FEET TO 14 FEET)

<u>Common Name</u>	Minimum Spacing (Feet)	Height (Feet)	Spread (Feet)
Amur maple (tree form only)	25	20	20
Eastern redbud	25	25	20
Flowering crabapples:			
Adams	25	20	20
Centurian	25	15	5
Donald Wyman	25	15	15
Indian summer	25	20	20
Pink spire	25	25	15
Prairie fire	25	20	20
Professor Sprenger	25	15	15
Snowdrift	25	20	20
Sparkler	25	15	25
Spring snow (fruitless)	25	20	20
Zumi 'bobwhite'	25	20	15
Zumi 'catocarpa' redbud	25	20	20
Japanese tree lilac	25	15	10
Pagoda dogwood	25	20	15
Washington hawthorn <sup>2</sup>	25	20	15
White fringe tree	25	15	15

#### Notes:

- 1. Where utility wires are conflicting, only trees in category "A" may be planted.
- 2. Washington hawthorn trees should be used with caution. This beautiful tree has wicked thorns, which potentially could harm pedestrians if the tree's canopy is not raised to a proper level.

"B" CATEGORY (PARKING 12 FEET TO 14 FEET)

Common Name	Minimum Spacing (Feet)	Height (Feet)	Spread (Feet)
Columnar sugar maple	35	35	10
Greenspire linden	35	50	35
Littleleaf European linden	35	50	35
Pyramidal American linden	35	50	35
River birch (single stem only)	35	50	35
Shubert chokecherry	35	35	30

"C" CATEGORY (PARKING 14 FEET AND OVER)

Common Name	Minimum Spacing (Feet)	Height (Feet)	Spread (Feet)
Maples:			
Black maple	55	75	50
Fassems black	55	50	40
Red maple	35	60	40
Schwedler maple	55	50	30
Sugar maple	55	75	50
Oaks:			
Bur oak	55	70	50
Red oak	55	75	50
White swamp oak	55	75	50
Others:			
Hackberry	55	50	40
Kentucky coffee tree	55	60	50

Linden	55	50	40
London plane tree	55	60	50
Maidenhair tree (ginkgo, male)	55	50	40
Sycamore	55	75	50
Tulip	55	55	50

The above listed trees are recommended or highly recommended by the Iowa State University's horticulture publication, "Landscape Plants For Iowa". The flowering crabapples are listed as disease free or very disease resistant.

Red maples have several cultivars, which are tall growing trees (60 to 70 feet in height), not the previously listed thirty five feet (35'). Therefore, red maple trees were moved to category "C".

Norway maples (columnar or other) are considered nuisance trees that cast dense shade (little or no grass growth beneath the tree) and have shallow roots that can wreak havoc on concrete sidewalks and driveways.

Elm trees are not recommended because of Dutch elm disease and other infestations. Ash trees are not recommended or not available because of the emerald ash borer, which is approaching Iowa and has afflicted ash trees in states to the east and northeast. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

# 7-6-6: PROHIBITED SPECIES: 🚭 🖃

It shall be unlawful to plant any of the following described species of street trees upon any street parking areas in the city along with any new species and varieties that are known to be, or which may become a public nuisance. This list includes, but is not limited to, the following:

All species of shrubbery and bushes

Birch

Black locust

Box elder

Carolina poplar

Catalpa

Common fruit trees

Conifers (evergreens)

Cottonwood

Elm (Chinese)

Ginkgo (female only)

Mountain ash

Mulberry, common

**Poplar** 

Russian olive

Soft or silver maple

Sumac

Trees bearing large nuts, i.e., walnut, hickory, butternut Willow (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

# 7-6-7: TREE PLANTING REGULATIONS IN PARKING AREAS: 🕯 🖃

#### A. Spacing:

- 1. Trees should be spaced so that there will be little or no interference with their full development. The minimum spacing from center of tree to center of tree shall be twenty five feet (25') for category "A", thirty five feet (35') for category "B" and fifty five feet (55') for category "C".
- 2. Trees shall not be planted closer than one-half  $(^{1}/_{2})$  of the minimum spacing requirement per category to the neighboring property owner's side or rear lot line extended, i.e., category "A" = 12.5 feet; category "B" = 17.5 feet; category "C" = 27.5 feet.
- B. Impervious Materials: No impervious material shall be placed nearer than twenty four inches (24") to the trunk of the tree in categories "A" and "B" and thirty six inches (36") in category "C".
- C. Curb, Sidewalk Line: No street tree shall be planted nearer than three feet (3') from the curb or the inside existing or potential sidewalk line and centered in the parking area if possible. Plantings in parking areas over eleven feet (11') in width shall be planted four feet (4') from the edge of the sidewalk.
- D. Intersections: At street intersections, trees shall not be located within seventy feet (70') of the intersection of curb lines along arterial streets, within fifty feet (50') along collector streets, or within thirty feet (30') of the intersection of curb lines along local streets. In cases where two (2) different types of streets intersect, the location of the tree shall be determined by the type of street adjacent to the proposed tree.
- E. Driveway, Fire Hydrant: No tree shall be planted within ten feet (10') of a driveway or fire hydrant.
- F. Standards And Poles: The minimum spacing from a light standard or transmission pole shall be ten feet (10') for category "A"; twenty feet (20') for category "B"; and thirty feet (30') for category "C" measured from center of street tree to standard or pole.
- G. Sewer And Water Lines: The city shall not allow the planting of street trees in the city parking area within five (5) horizontal feet of the exterior dimension of any sanitary sewer, storm sewer or water lines; and it may only be the type listed in this chapter under category "A".
- H. Under Power Lines: Street trees planted under power lines may only be the type listed in this chapter under category "A".
- I. Underground Utilities: The city reserves the right to restrict the planting of trees if there are too many other underground utilities in the parking such as gas, phone, etc.
- J. Categories: Category "A" and "B" trees may be used in category "C" plantings as well as category "A" trees may be planted in category "B".

K. Species List: As new tree species are introduced, they will be added to these lists.

L. Enforcement: A variety of street trees planted along city blocks shall be encouraged and enforced by the public works director.

M. Nursery Stock: All street trees shall be of nursery stock unless previously approved by the public works director. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

# 7-6-8: MAINTENANCE OF STREET TREES: TES



A. Property Owner, Duty To Remove Overhanging Limbs: It shall be the duty of all private property owners having "street trees", as defined herein, located in the "parking areas", as defined herein, or abutting or overhanging any public property, street parkings, public alleyways, public sidewalks and other private property: (Ord. 15-07, 5-4-2015)

- 1. To keep all trees pruned so that the lower branches are not less than eight feet (8') in height above public sidewalks, sixteen feet (16') above the traveled portion of all public streets, public alleys and primary highways.
- 2. To remove all damaged and broken limbs; all limbs which are or may become dangerous to travel upon the public way and all limbs that obstruct the natural flow of any meandering public streams within the city limits.
- 3. To remove or prune all limbs of street trees that are or may become damaging, dangerous, or a potential nuisance to abutting real and personal property.
- 4. To maintain all street trees in such a manner so as not to interfere with the vision of drivers or vehicles approaching any intersection, street, or alley.
- 5. To keep all street trees trimmed so as not to unduly obstruct streetlights or traffic signs and signals. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)
- B. Removal Of Trees By City: City crews will remove dead or diseased trees, located in the parking area as defined in this chapter, as determined by the county extension office. (Ord. 15-07, 5-4-2015)

# 7-6-9: NUISANCE: ABATEMENT: 4



All street trees which are planted in violation of, or not maintained in strict compliance with, the provisions of this chapter are hereby declared to constitute a public nuisance. The public works director shall cause written notice to be served on the property owner requiring such nuisance to be corrected within a specified period, or the public works director shall cause such nuisance to be abated, and the costs thereof assessed against the owner of the property in the manner as ordinary taxes. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

# 7-6-10: APPEALS TO CITY COUNCIL: To

Whenever, because of unusual circumstances, there are practical difficulties involved in carrying out the provisions of this chapter, the city council may grant a specific exemption for individual situations; provided, they shall first find that special and unusual individual circumstances make the strict application of this chapter impractical and that the exemption granted with appropriate safeguards is in conformity with the intent and purposes of this chapter. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

# 7-6-11: TREE TRIMMING SPECIFICATIONS: © 🖃



- A. Purpose: The purpose of this section is to set guidelines for the trimming of trees in the city.
- B. Definition: For purposes of this section, "trees" shall include not only trees, but also bushes and other plants to be trimmed.

#### C. Specifications:

- 1. Any person trimming trees or causing trees, bushes and other plants to be trimmed under the authority of this section shall:
- a. Determine if the property upon which the tree is located is publicly or privately owned; if privately owned, the entity wishing to trim (if not itself the owner) shall cause written notice to be given to the owner, occupant or person in control of the property at least fifteen (15) days prior to any trimming; provided, however, notice shall not be required if trimming is necessary to restore electrical service or relieve a public emergency resulting from storm, accident, similar casualty, or other cause which immediately threatens electrical service or public safety. The notice shall inform the person of the nature of the trimming to be performed, the person's right to trim the tree, bush or other plant, the date when such trimming must be completed if done by owner and whether an assessment or charge will be imposed for trimming the tree, bush or other plant.
- b. Trim trees, bushes and plants to the extent necessary to remove obstruction to protect lives and property.
- c. Employ persons skilled in tree trimming so that the life and general aesthetic qualities of the tree are preserved.
- 2. The owner of any tree, shrub or plant protruding into or overhanging a street or sidewalk shall trim the branches thereof to remove any obstruction of the view of any streetlamp, street sign, traffic control device or street intersection. A clear space of eight feet (8') above the surface of a sidewalk and sixteen feet (16') above the street must be maintained. All trimming shall conform to the specifications in subsection C1 of this section.
- 3. The city manager or his/her designee may order the removal of any tree, shrub or plant or any part thereof which does not conform to the specification of subsection C2 of this section. Notice shall be given to the owner of the property as set forth in subsection C1 of this section. If the owner, occupant or person in control fails to comply with the notice, the city manager or his/her designee shall cause the obstructing branches or foliage to be removed and shall submit the costs incident to the service of notice and removal to the city council, which shall certify the same to the county auditor for collection with and in the same manner as general property taxes. Provided, however, that in the event the city manager or his/her designee determines that a hazardous condition exists which constitutes an immediate danger to public safety because of the extensive nature or location of an obstruction caused by any tree, shrub, plant or any part thereof, the city manager or his/her designee may cause the removal thereof forthwith without notice and in such event, costs may be assessed in the same manner as provided above, after notice to the property owner and opportunity for hearing before the city council is given.
- 4. Except as provided by subsection C3 of this section, no tree, bush or shrub shall be removed without the written consent of the owner of the property upon which the tree, bush or shrub is located. (Ord. 08-07, 7-21-2008)

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