Tree and Plant List

Prohibited Trees and Plants

Plants listed on the current edition of the Invasive Exotic Pest Plants of Tennessee, as published by the Tennessee Exotic Pest Plant Council, shall be prohibited and shall not be credited towards the minimum requirements of this Ordinance. Further, the City recommends removal of invasive plat materials when found in areas of a site containing existing vegetation.

Beyond this published list, the City prohibits the following trees:

Prohibited in general	
Scientific Name	Common Name
Pyrus calleryana	Callery Pear
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple
Prohibited as screening shrubs	
Scientific Name	Common Name
Euonymus kiautschovicus	Manhattan euonymous
Abelia species	Glossy Abelia
Prohibited as street trees	
Scientific Name	Common Name
Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple
Liriodendron tulipifera	Tuliptree
Nyssa sylvatica	Blackgum
Quercus pagoda	Cherrybark Oak
Quercus palustris	Pin Oak (prohibited as street tree and parking lot tree)
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress

Preferred Street Trees

The City prefers columnar trees for Street Trees, and that they be planted a maximum of 20' on center. * - May be used if there are overhead utility lines.

The following is a list of City-preferred street trees:

Preferred Street Trees	
Scientific Name	Common Name
Acer rubrum	Red Maple
Ginkgo biloba	Ginkgo Tree (male only)
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweetgum (seedless)
Quercus falcata	Southern Red Oak
Quercus nattalli	Nuttall Oak
Quercus phellos	Willow Oak
Ulmus parvifolia	Chinese/Lacebark Elm (disease-resistant variety)
Zelkova serrata	Japanese Zelkova
Prunus x yedoensis	Yoshino Cherry *