



CITY OF West Linn

Tree Removal Permit

Please submit **pictures** of trees and **site map** with trees clearly identified to complete application.

Please mark trees on site with ribbon, flagging tape or other marker.

Email submissions are acceptable. Please do not fax pictures or site map.

Within 20 business days of submission a decision will be made and a signed copy will be sent.

Property Owner

Tree Site Address (if different)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Number, Diameter, and Species of Trees:

1. _____

4. _____

2. _____

5. _____

3. _____

6. _____

Reason for Removal (code section 8.630)

Owners Signature

Date

Staff Only Below this Line

Approved _____ Not Approved _____

Signature

Date

Reasons for Approval/Denial:

Conditions of Approval

After a decision is made, there is a 10 day appeal period. If you do not hear from the City within this period then the **tree may be removed on or after** _____.

This permit expires after one year.

The approved permit must be clearly posted on site when tree removal is occurring.

City of West Linn Parks and Recreation Department

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Municipal Code – 8.630 Tree Removal Criteria

8.630 A-1. Any of the following criteria shall be considered as aspects likely to warrant approval of a tree removal permit:

- (a) _____ The tree is determined to be dead or dying and not recoverable.
- (b) _____ The tree is determined to have a significantly damaged root structure that will adversely impact the health and stability of the tree. Such a determination shall be based upon a report provided by the applicant. The report shall be reviewed and verified by the City Arborist.
- (c) _____ The tree is determined to exhibit a hazardous growth habit.
- (d) _____ The tree is interfering with utility service in such a manner that full restoration or maintenance of service requires removal of the tree.
- (e) _____ The tree encroaches in the public right-of-way so as to cause damage to improvements within the public right-of-way such as street pavement and sidewalks.
- (f) _____ The tree is causing structural damage that includes, but is not limited to, foundations, water lines and sewer lines.
- (g) _____ The basal flare of the tree is within 10 feet of an existing building footprint.
- (h) _____ An existing building footprint lies within the drip line of the tree.
- (i) _____ Trees that have been maintained in the applicant's property for the purpose of growing fruit which are no longer bearing fruit or have suffered a significant reduction in fruit bearing.
- (j) _____ Removal of trees is being done for thinning purposes to enhance the health of other trees.
- (k) _____ In the absence of denial criteria listed below, removal is for the owner's landscape improvement but does not jeopardize the aesthetics of the neighborhood.
- (l) _____ The removal would allow solar access for an otherwise extremely shaded property.

8,630 A-2 Any of the following criteria shall be considered as aspects likely to warrant denial of a tree removal permit:

- (a) _____ The tree is visually prominent.
- (b) _____ The tree is generally healthy and of sound structure.
- (c) _____ The tree is of significant size.
- (d) _____ The tree is part of a larger grove or grouping of trees, and its removal will adversely affect the health and safety of the remaining trees within the grove or grouping.
- (e) _____ The tree is on land that is sloped, and removal of the tree may exacerbate erosion or soil slumping in the vicinity of the tree.
- (f) _____ The tree acts as a privacy barrier for adjacent properties.
- (g) _____ Tree removal is solely to improve a view.

Arborist Notes:
