Town of Grantwood Village

Tree Removal/Pruning Permit Application

Homeowner Name:_____**Phone:**_____
Homeowner Address:_____**E-mail**: _____

Approved Tree Care Vendor Name:_____ **Phone**: _____
Address:_____ **E-mail:** _____

Contact Person Name:_____ **Phone:** _____
E-mail: _____

[See reverse side for more information]

INSTRUCTIONS: This permit application shall be completed for removing the whole tree or pruning more than 20% of live limbs, foliage, or canopy of any valued tree. Definition of valued tree: any native tree greater than 10 inches in diameter or any non-native tree greater than 16 inches in diameter. Measure diameter at 48 inches above ground or Diameter at Breast Height (DBH).

Where to Submit: Include completed tree permit form and copy of arborist report/proposal. Email to trees@grantwood.gov or mail to Town of Grantwood Village, "Tree Permits", One Missionary Ridge, Grantwood Village, 63123

Fees: There is a $50.00 license fee payable by check or money order. The tree permit fee is waived for removing dead or severely declining trees or when responding to storm damage or emergencies (a tree permit application must still be submitted).

Type of work: (check all that apply) [ ] Tree Removal _____ Total # of Valued Trees
[ ] Pruning _____ Total # of Valued Trees

Reason(s): (check all that apply) [ ] Dead or Declining [ ] Emergency/Storm Damage
[ ] Correct/Avoid Defects [ ] Deadwood Removal [ ] Other
[ ] Approved Construction Project

Arborist Report Attached: [ ] YES [ ] NO

Tree Protection Plan Attached: [for Approved Construction Projects Only] [ ] YES [ ] NO

Description of Tree Work:

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Applicant Signature:_____ **Date:**_____

If you have tree work that needs to be done, please email trees@grantwood.gov **or call and leave a message at 314-842-4409** to determine if you need the village's consulting arborist to perform a tree risk assessment and whether the work requires a tree permit from the village. This service is provided at no charge to the resident by the village.

In addition, the Tree Board can provide residents with a list of qualified tree care companies (certified arborist on-staff), and a list of recommended tree species for replacing lost trees or adding more trees to the home landscape. The Tree Board created the homeowner's tree care kit to help residents learn more about how to maintain and protect their trees. If you would like to receive a homeowner's tree care kit or to help the Tree Board with educating our residents on the many benefits of our beautiful trees, please contact **Laura Yates, Tree Board President at 314-722-5161 or** lmy555@outlook.com**.**

VALUED TREE PROTECTION ORDINANCE
Summary

Approved in January, 2017, the valued tree protection ordinance helps to preserve valued trees within Grantwood Village while ensuring the reasonable enjoyment and improvement of private property. The complete tree ordinance can be viewed at: www,grantwoodvillage.com, under ordinances (Begins at Section 525.070).

The key features of this ordinance include:

- Defines a valued tree as a native canopy tree (oak, hickory, walnut, etc.) at least ten inches in diameter or any other mature tree that is at least sixteen inches in diameter when measured at 48-inches above grade.
- Removal of more than one-fifth of the crown or existing foliage of a valued tree or removal of a valued tree requires submittal of a tree permit including a $50 permit fee and arborist report.
- Removal of a dead valued tree requires a permit but the $50 permit fee is waived.
- All construction projects that require a building permit will be evaluated to determine if trees in the targeted construction area need to be protected during construction.
- Whenever a valued tree is approved for removal due to disease, hazard, or for an approved construction project, a replacement tree shall be planted.
- As determined by a village trustee or emergency response personnel, a permit will not be required when a tree is imminently hazardous to life or property or unduly interferes with utilities.
- The homeowner needs to hire a tree care company that has a certified arborist on staff to perform or supervise the removal and pruning of valued trees. The tree care company must also have an active business license with Grantwood Village. Or the homeowner may perform the work themselves when they agree to comply with the Village Arboricultural Standards (ANSI standards).
- Topping of any tree on public or private property shall be illegal. Topping is defined as the severe cutting back of limbs to stubs larger than three inches in diameter within the tree's crown to such a degree so as to remove the normal canopy and disfigure the tree.

http://www.grantwoodvillage.org/valued-trees/

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