

NEW STREET TREE CARE TIPS

Please help this new street tree thrive in its new home by following these tree care tips:

WATERING & GUARANTEE

Margolis Nursery, the city's tree planting contractor, will be watering the tree periodically for the **first summer**. Please supplement the watering, as needed, using the guidelines below.

This street tree is guaranteed by Margolis Nursery for one year after planting. If the tree dies within the guarantee period, it will be replaced by Margolis Nursery.

SUPPLEMENTAL WATERING AND WATERING AFTER THE FIRST YEAR

- Water once a week during the first two summers. Then water once a month the next two summers. If it has rained at least 1" during the week, watering is not necessary.
- Water deeply so the water can soak down to the depth of the root system (12-18"). The soil should be moist but not soggy.
- A good watering is 15 gallons applied slowly with a soaker hose or a hose on a slow trickle for approximately 30 minutes, within the mulched area around tree.

AROUND THE TREE

- Maintain a 3-inch thick mulch/wood chip ring around the base of the tree and not touching the trunk. Mulch piled up against the trunk, "mulch volcanoes," can kill the tree.
- The mulch ring will help retain soil moisture, improve soil quality, impede weeds and protect the tree from weed whip/ mower damage.
- Avoid spraying any broad-leaf weed killers near the base of the tree.
- Keep weed whips/lawn mowers away from the trunk. Weed whip/ lawn mowers hitting the trunk can cause death due to repeated trunk injury.

Questions or concerns?