

GILROY COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
MASTER STREET TREE PLANTING PLAN AND STREET TREE LIST
(City Code, Sec. 26.5 -1)

The City of Gilroy has established this street tree planting plan and list to guide the selection and planting of street trees in the City of Gilroy. The planting plan has been revised to provide residents and developers greater flexibility in the selection of trees, and also in an effort to reduce the extent of sidewalk damage. It is important to recognize that virtually any tree is capable of damaging sidewalks. Proper selection, planting, and care of street trees may slow the onset of sidewalk damage or reduce the frequency of such damage, but such damage cannot be entirely prevented. For additional information or assistance regarding City Street Trees, please call Community Services at 408-846-0444.

1. Subject to City approval, property owners may choose any tree on this list as indicated for the width of the park strip at their property. For more information about these trees visit <http://selecttree.calpoly.edu/>. Where there is no separate park strip, the width to be used in determining tree selection will be the distance between the inside edge of the sidewalk or curb if there is no sidewalk, and the City's street right-of-way or easement.
2. The City Administrator or his/her designee may restrict or change tree species to address unusual or extraordinary maintenance and safety issues that are unique to a particular location (such as proximity to an intersection).
3. The City Administrator or his/her designee, may approve alternate species from the street tree planting plan provided that the alternate species does not impact City's maintenance activities or create safety concerns.
4. Alternate species which create maintenance problems including increased risk of cracking and damaging sidewalks or which otherwise increase maintenance needs will not be approved.
5. Street Trees located under overhead utilities may be further restricted by the City or the Utility Company. Only street trees specifically noted can be planted under utility lines. Property owners should contact the Utility company prior to planting trees under any overhead utility.
6. The City Administrator or his/her designee may add or eliminate trees from the list as needed to address maintenance issues or changes in the availability of tree species.
7. Planting of street trees must comply with the City's Standard Details and General Guidelines for Street Tree Planting including but not limited to:
 - a. Maintain required distance from utilities
 - b. Minimum spacing of 30' between trees
 - c. Root barriers are required for all street tree plantings in Gilroy
8. Street trees are prohibited in parkstrips less than 24" in width as measured from the back of curb to the edge of sidewalk and in restricted street tree planting areas listed under the Street Tree Planting Standard Details and Guidelines. Where street trees are prohibited, no more than 50% of the parkstrip area can be covered with hardscape such as pavers, concrete or plastic covered with any type of landscape material. Greenscape such as ground cover and shrubs shall be planted in 50% or more of the prohibited street tree parkstrip.

Approved by Parks and Recreation Commission

City of Gilroy Street Tree List

Trees planted need to follow the street tree permit policy.

LESS THAN 24" Parkstrip or restricted Street tree planting area

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48" Parkstrip or less & under overhead utility lines

Common Name	Height	Spread
Crepe Myrtle Tuscarora	15-25'	6-15'
Eastern Redbud	20-30'	30'
Trident Maple	20-30'	20-30'
Purple Leaf Plum	25'	25'
Mayten	50'	25'
Fringe Tree	25'	25'
Dogwood Pink or White	25'	25'

60" Parkstrip

Common Name	Height	Spread
Chinese Pistache	25-35'	25-35'
Goldenrain	30-40'	35'
Honey Locust	30-70'	30-40'
American Hornbeam	35'	20-30'
Shademaster Locust	50'	20-40'
Sycamore Yarwood	50-70'	40-60'
Japanese Pagoda	30-50'	30-40'
Chitalpa	35'	20-30'
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72" Parkstrip

Common Name	Height	Spread
Hackberry	40-60'	40-50'
Oak Holly	40-70'	50-60'
Little Leaf Linden	50-60'	40-50'
Oak Scarlett	60-80'	40'
Chinese Pistache	25-35'	25-35'
Goldenrain	30-40'	35'
Honey locust	30-70'	30-40'
American Hornbean	35'	20-30'
Shademaster Locust	50'	20-40'
Sycamore Yarwood	50-70'	40-60'
Japanese Padgoda	30-50'	30-40'
Chitalpa	35'	20-30'

84" or Larger Parkstrip

Common Name	Height	Spread
Southern Maganolia	60-75'	40-50'
Camphor	65'	50'
Hackberry	40-60'	40-50'
Oak Holly	40-70'	50-60'
Little Leaf Linden	50-60'	40-50'
Oak Scarlett	60-80'	40'
Chinese Pistache	25-35'	25-35'
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9. All other City Ordinances and Policies including the Consolidated Landscaping Policy, the Street Tree Ordinance, and the City's Standard Details apply. (Contact Gilroy's Engineering Division for copies of these documents 408-846-0450)