

Tonka-Woodcroft Improvements Project

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Free trees available to residents

In order to replace trees lost during reconstruction, the city is offering one free tree to each property in the Tonka-Woodcroft and Minnetonka Boulevard Trail project area. Each property is eligible for one tree regardless if a tree was removed or not from the property during construction.

Trees are being offered to properties where the street and utility construction was completed in 2023. Properties with construction completed in 2022 received the same opportunity last year.

The tree ordering deadline is March 22, 2024

If you are interested in receiving a tree, please email

engineering@minnetonkamn.gov and include the following information:

- Name
- Address
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- Tree Species

Five species of trees are available:

- Bicolor Oak
- Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry
- Imperial Honeylocust
- White Pine
- Red Barron Crabapple

Detailed information for each tree species is included on the reverse side. Please note, trees have been pre-ordered in limited numbers to prevent overplanting of one species. Reservations will be made on a first come, first served basis of each species. If you have tree related questions about the offered species, please reach out to Forestry Technician, Diana Preisen at 952-988-8441 or <u>dpreisen@minnetonkamn.gov</u>.

This spring, trees will be delivered to your property by Minnetonka Public Works staff. The delivery date is to be determined and will be communicated at a later date to the contact information provided.

How to Plant Your Tree

Property owners will need to plant trees on private property, outside of the city right-of-way, and away from underground utilities.

A tree planting handout has been provided to show best practices when planting trees.

Feb. 12, 2024

Available Trees

Bicolor Oak

Quercus bicolor 60' h x 60' w

Full sun

A beautiful, Minnesota native oak tree with great adaptability. Interesting peeling bark and contrasting leaf colors are two unique features. Oaks are important habitat and support an impressive amount of birds, mammals and pollinators. Plant in an open area and "leaf" your legacy for generations to come. Not suitable under power lines.

'Autumn Brilliance' Serviceberry

Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance' 15-20' h x 15-20' w Full sun to part shade

A small, multi-stem tree with striking fall color, delicious edible berries and spring flowers. This is a cultivar of our native serviceberry and does well in part shade to full sun. Plant as an accent, screen or focal point. Great for smaller spaces.

'Imperial' Honeylocust

Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Shademaster'

35' h x 35' w

Full sun

The small fern-like leaflets of the honeylocust cast dappled shade allowing for other plants to thrive underneath. A tough, drought tolerant Minnesota native that's a popular choice for boulevards and urban plantings. This low maintenance shade tree features bright yellow fall color and interesting horizontal branching.

White Pine

Pinus strobus 50-80' h x 20-40' w Full sun to part shade

The white pine is a large Minnesota native evergreen. Sought after for its handsome form and long, bright green needles. Young trees are pyramidal in shape becoming more tiered and irregular as they mature. Intolerant of wet soil conditions. Plant this stately tree in a well-drained open site and you will be rewarded for years to come. Do not plant near power lines.

'Red Barron' Crabapple

Malus 'Red Barron' 18' h x 8' w Full sun

A narrow, flowering crabapple with deep reddish pink flowers adorning its branches in spring. Small, red fruit emerge in fall becoming an important winter food source for birds. Best planted in full sun with moist, well-drained soil. This tree establishes easily and is a great focal point to any garden or yard space.









