

# the ANCHOR AGE



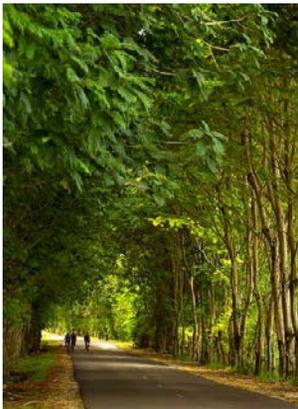
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The Honorable W. Thomas Hewitt  
Mayor of Anchorage



September 2015



## THE ANCHORAGE FORESTRY BOARD 2015 CANOPY TREE CAMPAIGN

### Help Maintain the City's Glorious Tree Canopy!

Plan for the future by planting new trees now to ensure a continued street canopy.

The Anchorage Forestry Board encourages residents to participate in their annual Canopy Campaign, where

Anchorage residents can purchase trees below wholesale pricing. The Forestry Board is offering canopy trees and their planting, and the City will split the cost 50/50 as long as the following requirements are met:

- ▶ Trees must be planted along the road so that, as the tree matures, it creates a canopy over the road.
- ▶ Must be planted a minimum of 15 feet and no more than 25 feet from the paved edge of the road.
- ▶ Trees cannot interfere with any utilities – underground or overhead.

All trees are the highest quality, nursery grade stock, approximately two inches in diameter and six to eight feet in height, depending on the species selected.

All trees will be professionally planted. **No warranties will accompany the trees or planting.**

Enclosed is an order form that includes an agreement. The agreement must be signed along with the tree order. Please follow the instructions, and submit your request with payment to City Hall, P.O. Box 23266, no later than September 11<sup>th</sup>. Any order received after this date will not be accepted.

Everyone purchasing trees will be informed of the tree delivery date and planting schedule as soon as the information is available.

### This Year's Tree Selections:

- **Swamp white oak** is a striking tree with attractive peeling bark. The lustrous, lobed leaves have a two-tone appearance, dark green on top with a silvery-white underside. Fall color is an orange-gold to yellow in mid-autumn.



- **American Beech** is both wide and tall. It can reach a spread of 50 to 80 feet, and heights of 70 to 90 feet at maturity. The bark is smooth, pale and gray. The leaves have distinct, strong veins, and toothed edges, and turn yellow in the fall.

- **American Elm 'Princeton'** is a medium to large, vase-shaped tree with a pronounced crown. The rough-textured, dark green leaves have toothed margins and asymmetrical bases. Leaves typically turn yellow in fall. 'Princeton' has reported excellent resistance to Dutch elm disease.

- The fast growing '**October Glory' Red Maple** produces tiny, conspicuous red flowers in springtime, dark green leaves in the summer, and some of the most vibrant red foliage in the fall. They mature into a pleasing oval shape, reaching up to 40 feet.

- **Tulip Poplar** can grow to 70 feet in height with a spread of 35 feet. Leaves emerge folded in a flag-like outline, mature to bright green in summer, and change to golden yellow in fall. The tree produces stunning tulip-like flowers in late spring and late summer.



- **London planetree 'Exclamation'** has a strong central leader, a moderate growth rate, and is densely branched with an upright-pyramidal habit. It develops an attractive exfoliating bark expected of planetrees, and can measure 60 feet in height with a 30 foot spread at maturity.

All trees offered have a growth habit and size to canopy over the street at maturity. They are low maintenance in terms of being reliably hardy, and are tolerant of our urban soil and growing conditions. They're resistant to many of the common tree diseases and to insects, and transplant well in the fall.



## OFFICER RAQUE RECEIVES STATE HONOR

The Anchorage Police Department is proud to recognize Officer Greg Raque for receiving honors during the fifth annual Governor's Occupant Protection Enforcement Awards held at the Griffin Gate Marriott in Lexington on July 28, 2015. The ceremony honored officers from across the state for occupant restraint enforcement. Officer Raque issued 57 seatbelt and child restraint citations from June 15, 2014 through June 15, 2015. Chief Hayes said, "As a retired LMPD traffic officer, Officer Raque has seen the result of unrestrained occupants involved in accidents. He is committed to highway safety and knows that seat belts do save lives." Congratulations to Officer Raque.



## DO I NEED A PERMIT?

If you're considering an addition or modification to the exterior of your home, installing a shed or outbuilding, pool, tennis court, deck, or fencing, or are demolishing any of the above, a permit may be required before you can proceed. And, if you're in the Historic District, or in a community with a homeowners' association, you will need to secure additional approvals.

Other activities that require a permit:

- Tree removal (for any tree, live or dead, with a 3" or greater diameter).
- A trench in the ground that exceeds 12 feet in length such as drainage work, repair or installation of an irrigation system, burying a phone or cable line, invisible fencing, septic systems, or the installation of a patio, driveway, or sidewalk.
- Landscape projects (no permit required to plant trees or shrubs).

Contact City Hall at 245-4654 for a list of steps necessary to secure all of the required approvals and permits.

## YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS

Industrial Disposal and the City remind residents that yard waste should be placed curbside no sooner than the evening before service and no later than 6:30 a.m. on Thursday mornings.

Each household is allowed a **weekly maximum** of:

- 16 kraft paper bags not to exceed 50 pounds, **or**
- 5 ID containers, **or**
- 8 level trash cans no heavier than 30 pounds.

Make sure bags are of sufficient strength to contain without breakage.



Tree limbs and sticks must be cut and bundled in 3-foot lengths; limbs cannot be larger than 6-inches in diameter. The hauler will not pick up dirt, stumps, mulch, trees, fencing, construction materials, etc.

Yard waste for the entire City is collected on Thursdays. The above limitations were established so that the large truck is able to service all households that day. Quantity overages, insufficiently bundled items, and non-collectable materials will be left at the curb.

All yard waste is taken to a center and converted into compost. **Please do not include trash items in with yard waste** – it will contaminate the contents of the entire truck, destroying the good efforts of your neighbors.

### IMPORTANT INSERT ENCLOSED

The City of Anchorage is required to publish all ordinances passed by City Council. This information is made available to all property owners in the City.



## DON'T LEAF IT!

Drainage ditches and catch basins carry storm water away from homes and streets when it rains. Covered or clogged

culverts, ditch lines, drains, and grates contribute to yard and street flooding.

It is the property owner's responsibility to replace collapsed drainage pipes, and to take time to rake away leaves and other debris to allow the storm water to remain free-flowing. Just a few minutes of your time can prevent flooding during heavy rains.



## LIVING WITH DEER

They are our neighbors and wild companions. Are they adorable? Certainly. Are they destructive? Definitely!

Deer can eat 12 pounds of foliage in a single day. Besides the damage they do to flower beds, deer browse on the leaves, needles, and twig ends of trees and shrubs.

Homeowners can defend their landscape by putting deer's natural learning ability to good use. Deterrents that convince the deer your yard is no longer a desirable dining destination can successfully protect your home environment from these foraging foes.



### Repellents

Most deer repellents use a disagreeable odor or taste, or a combination of both, to dissuade deer from eating treated plants. They are easy to apply, and homemade solutions are inexpensive.

This recipe comes from the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife:

#### All-in-One Homemade Deer Repellent

Mix the following in a 1-gallon sprayer tank

- 2 beaten and strained eggs (strain them to remove the white strings surrounding the yolk, which otherwise will clog your sprayer)
- 1 cup milk, yogurt, buttermilk, or sour milk
- 2 tsp. Tabasco sauce
- 20 drops essence oil of clove (found in health stores)
- 1 tsp. cooking oil
- 1 tsp. liquid dish soap

Top off the tank with water and pump it up. Shake the sprayer occasionally and mist onto dry foliage. One application will last 2-4 weeks in dry weather.

### Deer-Resistant Plants

A hungry deer will eat just about anything, but you may have some success by planting deer-resistant flowers and plants. Perennials like yarrow, coreopsis, coneflower, daisy, bee balm, Black-eyed Susan, hellebore, daylily, cat mint, fuzzy lamb's ear, and sedum are usually unattractive to deer. *Note:* all small or newly planted flowers are subject to being pulled out of the ground by browsing deer. Use a deer repellent spray until the plants are well established. Once mature, these plants acquire a more bitter taste.



For a list of deer-resistant shrubs and trees, check with your favorite arborist or horticulturist, or contact the Jefferson County Extension Office at 569-3966.

## GLENBROOK ROAD CLOSURE

Glenbrook Road, between Locust Lane and LaGrange Road, will be closed for culvert replacement. The project is currently scheduled for early to mid-September contingent on the weather. Once work begins, the road should be closed for no more than 5-7 days. A City email message will be sent with actual close dates once this information becomes available. Please plan to use an alternate route.

## POOL MANNERS MATTER

Mind your "Pool Manners" when you drain your pool this fall. Warm pool water full of chemicals is highly toxic and will kill aquatic life and plants if drained to a stream or drainage channel.

Follow these simple steps to avoid flooding, water back-up, or harming the environment when you drain your pool:



- ▶ Test pool water and allow the chlorine level to drop below 0.5ppm. Bubbling, cascading, or other forms of aeration will help remove chlorine from the water.
- ▶ Ensure the pH level is between 6 and 8 (normal).
- ▶ Slowly drain the pool to a grassy area on your property and allow the water to soak into the ground. **It should not flow onto your neighbor's property.**
- ▶ Do not drain your pool during or up to 48 hours after a rain.
- ▶ No discharges are allowed to catch basins, streams, or streets since this water will reach a creek or other body of water.
- ▶ Drain only to a sewer via a conduit on your property such as a toilet, bathtub, shower, or sink, and do so at a flow rate of 30 gallons per minute or less. Draining your pool too fast will cause water back-up

For additional information, visit [www.msdlouky.org](http://www.msdlouky.org) or call MSD at 587-0603.

## CAN EMERGENCY RESPONDERS FIND YOU?



Are your house numbers clearly displayed street side so that fire, EMS, and police can quickly locate your home in case of an emergency? Are your house numbers faded, or missing altogether? Emergency responders need to find you fast! Your life depends on it.

**City of Anchorage**  
**P.O. Box 23266**  
**1306 Evergreen Road**  
**Anchorage, KY 40223**

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# IMPORTANT CITY NEWS!

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Police Department	244-0562
Fire Department	245-6755
Industrial Disposal	638-9000

## **EMERGENCIES** **Call 911**

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