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TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: _____ Email: _____
 Property Address: _____ Phone #: _____
 Owner's Name: _____ Owner's Address: _____
 Owner's Signature Required: _____ Date of Signature: _____

Please Complete by Applicant/Owner/Arborist/Tree Company

Species	Reason for Removal	Circumference	DBH Circumference divided by 3.14	*Specimen? (Y/N) If Yes, Letter required from Arborist documenting health and reason for tree removal	Dead? (Y/N)	Stream on/near property (Y/N)
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						

City defines Specimen trees as:

- If DBH is greater than 24 inches for large hardwoods – oaks, maples, hickories, poplars, ash etc.
- If DBH is greater than 30 inches for softwoods – pines, cedars, spruce etc.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

1. A site plan showing location of the trees to be removed and location of the trees (s) required to be planted.
2. Photos of tree/s to be removed
3. If tree to be removed is classified as a Specimen Tree, please provide letter from Arborist stating the condition

I understand the City of Powder Springs Tree Protection Ordinance requires I maintain canopy coverage consistent with City of Powder Springs Unified Development Code Article 5. I further attest that this documentation and statements included in this application are true and correct. If any information is found to be false or misleading, the permit will be deemed invalid.

 Applicant's Signature Date

Staff Instructions to applicant: _____

Staff Only

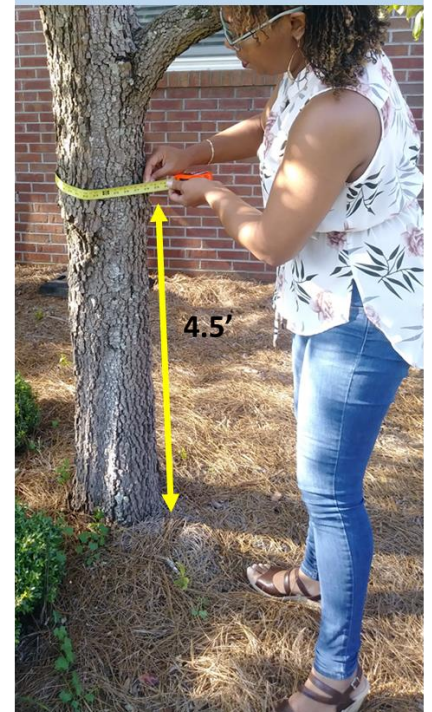
Reviewed by: _____ APPROVE DENIED

Date: _____

How to measure DBH ?

Step 1: wrap measuring tool around tree at 4.5 feet to measure circumference.

Step 2: Divide the circumference by 3.14.



Staff Analysis:

Required Canopy Coverage: _____ Site Canopy Coverage: _____

Specimen Tree removal: Yes No

Question and Answer

Q - Do I need a permit to remove **less than 10 trees** on my property?

A – A permit is not required, however you do need to ensure you have met the canopy coverage outlined below. If you are not able to determine the canopy coverage please fill out the application and supporting documentation and the City will be happy to assist you. There is no cost associated with this application. You are not permitted to remove trees required by zoning, trees located in a stream buffer or a floodplain.

**Table 12-1
Minimum Tree Canopy Coverage Requirements by Land Use**

Land Use	Minimum Tree Canopy Coverage Required (% of development site or lot)
Residential, single-family attached or two-family	20%
Residential, multiple-family	20%
Residential, fee simple townhouse	15%
Office or institutional	20%
Commercial	15%
Industrial	10%
Mixed use	20%

Required document:

- Application
- A site plan showing location of the trees to be removed and location of the trees (s) to be replanted. Please indicate tree species.
- Photos of tree/s to be removed.
- If tree to be removed is a Specimen Tree, please provide letter from Arborist documenting the condition of tree and reason for removal.

Q – Do I need a permit to remove **more than 10 trees** on my property?

A – In removing more than 10 trees a land disturbance permit will be required. The cost will be \$150 the following documentation will be required:

- Application
- Land disturbance plan - plan showing trees to be removed and how erosion will be prevented.
- Landscaping - plan showing tree replacement (canopy coverage must be met).
- Photos of trees to be removed
- **If tree/s to be removed are classified as a Specimen Tree, please provide letter from Arborist** documenting the condition of tree and reason for removal.

Q – How do I know if the trees to be removed includes a specimen tree?

A – The application provided shows the steps in determining if a tree is classified as a specimen tree.

Q – How long is the review process?

A – The review process may take 5 to 10 business days.

Q – What will happen if I do not meet the canopy requirement?

A - The applicant will be required to replant trees or add additional trees. Any other requirement by the City will be communicated to the applicant.

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