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Street Tree Planting Program

Spring 2015

Our spring street tree planting program will consist of approximately 299 trees. Of these, nearly 30% or (88 trees) are **new development plantings**. These new plantings continue to be primarily in, Oakmont Trail, Deer Creek and Fox Lake subdivisions. New home construction continues to show some movement again from last year.

The bulk of the remaining tree plantings (194 trees) are considered "replacements" of existing trees removed in mid - late 2014. Of these 64 trees are replacements from the June 30th storm when we lost 110 trees city wide. We will also be planting 17 project trees this spring on West Main Street and Maple Ave. as part of the downtown redevelopment project.

For the second year in a row, we applied for and received a grant from the American Transmission Company, for \$2,000.00. This will help us recover the cost of removing and planting approximately 15 of the storm damaged trees.

We strive to continue to improve species diversity within our urban forest, by planting **27** different species of trees. This year we are introducing 2 totally new cultivars we have never planted before on the street. This strategic part of our management plan will help reduce tree loss from destructive invasive pests like Emerald Ash Borer in the future. As always, our Arborists continue to monitor our current population, and do an outstanding job keeping our current tree population healthy and safe for all Waukesha residents to enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support.

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