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Street Tree Planting Program

Fall 2016

Our Fall street tree planting program will consist of approximately 156 trees. Of these, about 55 trees or 35% are **new development plantings**. These new plantings continue to be primarily in, Oakmont Trail, Coldwater Creek, and Fox Lake subdivisions. New home construction has showed signs of recovery from last year and should continue well into spring of 2017.

This fall we will be planting about 15 new trees on Tenny Avenue south of Sunset Drive for the new Smart Development Project going in across from the new Meijer store. The Smart family has agreed to pay for these trees as an early assessment along with some additional plantings in the boulevards.

The bulk of the remaining tree plantings (100 trees) are considered “replacements” of existing trees removed in mid/late 2015 into early 2016. We continue to take a more aggressive approach to removing Ash trees this year as Emerald Ash Borer is showing significant damage to any untreated tree. We anticipate removing approximately 350 – 400 ash alone to reduce the ash population to a manageable level.

We continue to improve species diversity, by planting **14** different species of trees. This strategic part of our management plan will help reduce tree loss from destructive invasive pests. As always, our Arborists continue to monitor our current population, and do an outstanding job keeping our tree population healthy and safe for all Waukesha residents to enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support.

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