

ORDINANCE NO. 9

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10. CITY TREE PLANTING REBATE PROGRAM.

The City will contribute \$ 50.00 rebate per canopy tree towards the planting of up to two (2) new trees per property **per year**, provided that the following conditions are met:

- A. Applications must be submitted prior to the purchase of the tree.
Applications are available on-line at the City’s web-site.
- B. Trees must be a species listed on the Druid Hills Approved Tree List.
They must be a minimum of six (6) feet high from soil level to the top of the tree.
- C. Trees may be planted anywhere on the property except in the right-of-way. The City’s previous tree planting program will still apply to right-of-way plantings.
- D. Trees must be purchased from and **planted by** designated nurseries with which the City has agreements. The designated nurseries will provide a one year guarantee for each tree planted.
- E. The resident will pay the nursery for the tree and the cost of its planting by the nursery. The resident will receive a discount negotiated by the City for this tree planting program.
- F. The resident will sign an agreement to take care of the tree for as long as they live in Druid Hills.
- G. After planting, the resident will present a copy of the paid invoice and the signed agreement to take care of the tree to the City Treasurer. The City will reimburse the resident \$ 50.00 per tree for up to two (2) trees per property.
- H. A resident will need to obtain an approved **Druid Hills Tree Removal Permit** for the removal of any rebated tree regardless of its size.

Availability of funds for this program is subject to change. Requests will be processed upon a first come/first served basis until available funding for that fiscal year is spent. The City Commission can choose to fund or not fund this auxiliary program at any time.

CITY OF DRUID HILLS TREE REBATE PROGRAM

The City of Druid Hills is sponsoring a Tree Rebate program in an effort to encourage property owners to plant trees. The \$ 50.00 rebate program, as developed by the City Commissioners, is available to residents under the following conditions:

1. Applications must be submitted prior to the purchase of the tree. They are available on the City web-site, druidhillsky.gov.
2. The tree(s) can be planted anywhere in the resident's yard except for the front right-of-way by the street. The City's previous tree planting program will still apply to trees planted in that location.
3. No more than two (2) trees will be rebated per resident per year.
4. Trees must be a minimum of six (6) feet high from soil level to the top of the tree.
5. Trees must be species listed on the Recommended Tree List also available on the City web-site.
6. Trees must be purchased from **and planted by** one of the approved vendors who have agreed to be a part of the Druid Hills tree planting program.
7. Trees must be planted in accordance with the Tree Planting & Maintenance Guide (Right Tree for the Right Space). This guide is also available on the City's web-site.
8. To receive the rebate, the resident must submit a **paid** invoice from the vendor stating the type, size, and cost of the tree to the City Treasurer.

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9. The resident will also submit a signed maintenance contract agreeing to care for the tree, not to remove it or cause damage to the tree during their time as a Druid Hills resident. This form is available on the City web-site.
10. Should the tree need to be removed at a future date, the resident will need to submit a City of Druid Hills Tree Removal Permit for approval.
11. The City reserves the right to inspect the tree and verify that the tree has been planted correctly prior to approving the rebate.
12. The City will rebate a maximum of \$ 50.00 per tree to the resident upon meeting all of the guidelines listed above. Program funds are limited and the annual rebate will end when budgeted funds have been exhausted for that year. Rebates will be paid on a “first come, first served” basis.
13. Availability of funds for this program is subject to change. The City Commission can choose to fund or not fund this auxiliary program at any time.

CITY OF DRUID HILLS
HOMEOWNER NEW TREE MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENT

DATE: _____

RESIDENT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

TREE SPECIES & SIZE: _____

PURCHASED FROM & PLANTED BY: _____

DATE PLANTED: _____

We, the above listed resident, agree to maintain and care for this tree, not to remove it, or cause damage to the tree during our time as a resident of the City of Druid Hills.

SIGNATURE: _____

CITY OF DRUID HILLS
TREE REBATE PROGRAM APPLICATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

WHERE WILL TREE BE PLANTED: _____

TREE SPECIES & SIZE: _____

PURCHASED FROM & PLANTED BY: _____

DATE TO BE PLANTED: _____

APPROXIMATE COST: _____

A rebate of \$50.00 per tree can be approved by the City. A maximum of two trees per resident per year may be approved. Applications will be processed on a “first come, first served” basis. Program funds are limited and the program will end for the year as soon as budgeted funds are exhausted.

APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____

