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PURPOSE: To establish guidelines for co-owners who wish (at their own expense) to plant trees on the common grounds adjacent to their own unit.

POLICY: Co-owners wishing to plant trees on the common grounds are encouraged to do so when the following requirements and procedures are followed.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Trees must be purchased and planted by an accredited nursery and be warranted for at least one year.
2. When planted, the tree must be at least six feet tall or the trunk must be at least two inches in caliper diameter.
3. If trees are staked for the period of the warranty, the stakes should then be removed by the co-owner. At that time the Association will assume responsibility for the on-going maintenance of the tree.
4. Trees should be planted so that their mature growth does not interfere with routine maintenance of the building or grounds, and branches will not rub on the building. Large trees should be planted at least fifteen feet on center from any roof line. Distance will vary with the size of the tree being planted.
5. Trees must be hardy and of low maintenance quality. Trees meeting these criteria, but are not limited to, include: London Plane, Hackberry, River Birch, Green Ash, Fir, Red Maple, Red Bud, Norway Maple, Honey Locust, Australian Pine, Tulip Poplars, Sweetgum, and non-fruiting varieties of Crab Apple.
6. Trees that will not be approved include Blue Spruce, Birch, Cottonwood, Pin Oak, Cherry, Plum, Russian Olive, and all trees of the Willow family.
7. Consult with the Landscaping / Beautification Committee for the current list of trees covered under items 5 and 6 above.

PROCEDURES:

1. Request an Application Form from the Management Company. See ARR 3.1a for sample form.
2. Complete the form to include tree species, size, name of the nursery, sketch of the location and Miss Dig confirmation.
3. Return the form to the Management Company or the Chairperson of the Landscaping Committee at least two weeks prior to the requested action date.
4. The Landscaping Committee will review the request for completeness and advise the co-owner of the appropriate action. If approved, the request will be forwarded to the Board as a matter of record.