



Heritage Tree Mitigation Agreement

(Code of Ordinances Sec. 5-152, *Heritage trees*)

Date submitted: _____ Permit Number (#): _____

Property Owner(s) Name(s): _____

Property Address: _____

Phone #: (____) _____ - _____ Email address(es): _____

Per City of Alamo Heights municipal code, Sec. 5-151, *General provisions*:

- (c) No more than fifty (50) percent of the critical root zone of any heritage tree* shall be covered with impervious cover and no closer than three (3) feet from the trunk of the tree.
- (d) No more than thirty (30) percent of the critical root zone of any heritage tree* shall be trenched, excavated, damaged or removed and no closer than three (3) feet from the trunk of the tree.

Per Sec. 5-156, *Heritage tree removal mitigation*:

- (a) A property owner or authorized agent requesting removal of a designated heritage tree which is not certified to be diseased or dying is required to provide these mitigation requirements if removal is approved by the director:
 - (1) Planting additional types of trees as listed in table 1* of this article (excluding palms, mountain laurels and crepe myrtles unless the heritage tree being removed is one of these types) with a replacement ratio (measured in inches DBH) which meets the following criteria:
 - a. Minimum 1:1 ratio (one (1) to one (1) replacement trunk DBH to removed trunk DBH) for individual heritage or multi-trunk heritage trees,
 - b. Minimum ½:1 ratio (one-half (½) to one (1) replacement trunk DBH to removed trunk DBH) for cluster type heritage trees.
 - (2) Minimum DBH for mitigation purposes is a four-inch caliper.
 - (3) Proposed planting shall be permitted on the following properties:
 - a. The same lot as such heritage tree(s) was removed,
 - b. Public property as designated for park use, or
 - c. Public right-of-way where approved.
 - (4) Planting of trees within the public right-of-way must be completed by a licensed company which would provide a minimum one-year warranty for replacement and replanting if necessary.
- (b) The director shall have discretion to modify mitigating requirements due to special circumstances.

You have the option to mitigate on your property or on public property. You may also pay a fee in lieu of the mitigation. Should you decide to mitigate, staff will assist you at the time you decide to mitigate the tree(s) you will remove. Where sites do not allow mitigation on-site, City staff will assist you in identifying potential mitigation locations off-site typically within the city's right-of-way. As potential sites are identified, City staff will notify you of the mitigation locations. Use the formula table on the reverse side to calculate mitigation requirements for your proposed project's removal of 'heritage' trees.

(initials) I have completed the formula table on the reverse side of this agreement and understand that I am either exceeding the critical root zone requirements for a heritage tree(s) per municipal code or that I am proposing to remove a heritage tree(s) and hereby agree to provide the mitigation requirements per municipal code.

Property Owner (Signature)

Date

A. Heritage Trees Proposed for Removal (Group heritage type(species) together):

| | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|
| _____ | _____ (inches) | | | |
| Type(Species) | Size(DBH) | | | |
| | | + | = | _____ (inches) total Section A |
| _____ | _____ (inches) | | | |
| Type(Species) | Size(DBH) | | | |

B. Trees Proposed for Planting On-Site (only minimum four-inch caliper 'heritage' type species count towards required mitigation):

| | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|
| _____ | _____ (inches) | | | |
| Type(Species) | Size(DBH) | | | |
| | | + | = | _____ (inches) total Section B |
| _____ | _____ (inches) | | | |
| Type(Species) | Size(DBH) | | | |

C. Inches required to be mitigated off-site

_____ (inches) total Section A **-** _____ (inches) total Section B **=** _____ (inches)

D. Fee in Lieu of Mitigation (fee of \$300 per inch or a maximum fee of \$2000 per heritage tree in SF-A, SF-B, 2F-C, and existing or proposed single-family structures in the MF-D district)

| | | | |
|----------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| _____ | _____ (inches) = _____ | _____ | _____ (inches) = _____ |
| Type (Species) | Size (DBH) Fee | Type(Species) | Size (DBH) Fee |
| _____ | _____ (inches) = _____ | _____ | _____ (inches) = _____ |
| Type (Species) | Size (DBH) Fee | Type(Species) | Size (DBH) Fee |
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| Type(Species) | Size (DBH) Fee | Type(Species) | Size (DBH) Fee |

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