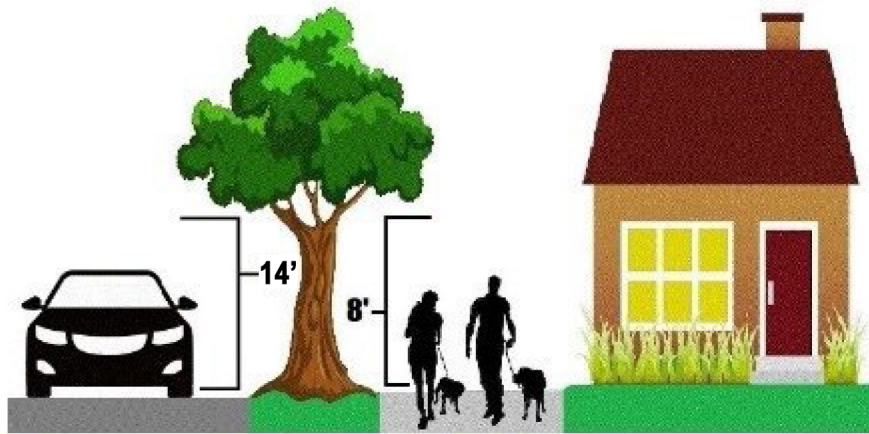


COMMON CODE VIOLATIONS

Street Trees



It is the homeowner's responsibility to clear vegetation from sidewalks and roadway overhang.

Maintaining clearances over streets and walkways shall be the responsibility of the abutting property owner. A clearance of eight (8) feet must be maintained over walkways and a clearance of fourteen (14) feet must be maintained over streets. Property owners are responsible for trees on their own property as well as trees on the public way that abuts their property.

Trees and Shrubs

Trees and shrubs should be maintained to a height of fourteen feet above sidewalks and streets. Dead or diseased trees should be removed. Property owners are required to maintain public right-of-ways or easements that run through their property.

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13-307: [City Code Chapter 13](#)

13-308. DEAD OR DISEASED TREE REMOVAL.

The city shall remove or cause to be removed any dead or diseased tree or tree limbs within the city limits. Diseased trees are defined as those trees that may constitute a hazard to life and property, or harbor insects or disease, which represent a potential threat to other trees within the city (i.e. Dutch elm disease or pine wilt). Removal of dead, dying or hazardous tree limbs shall be the responsibility of the property owner. Dead, dying or hazardous tree limbs are defined as any tree limbs that may constitute a hazard to life and or potential damage to property. The public works director or his/her designee will notify in writing the owner of such trees, and removal shall be accomplished within sixty (60) days of notification. Tree limb removal will be made in the same manner, but will be allowed (30) days after notification. In the event of failure to remove by the owner, the city shall have authority to remove such trees and charge the cost of removal on the property tax notice.

(Ord. 765; Code 2003)

13-308: [City Code Chapter 13](#)