

City of Durham

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Mitigation Notice to the Applicant

Tree cutting approvals may require mitigation.

If you are required to mitigate for your tree removal, you may choose one of the following mitigation options:

Option 1. Plant a replacement tree on your property.

- The replacement tree must be on the City's approved list of trees;
- The replacement tree must be such that it contributes significantly to the future tree canopy in Durham;
- The replacement tree must meet size requirements:
 - o Deciduous trees must be 2.0 inches in diameter at the top of the root ball,
 - Evergreen trees must be at least 6 feet tall measured from the top of the root ball, excluding the leader;
- The City Administrator will review and approve the choice of replacement tree;
- The replacement tree must be planted within 6 months of the permit approval; and
- The replacement tree must be planted to ensure that it grows to maturity. The
 City Administrator will inspect the replacement tree at 6 months and 2 years to
 determine if it growing well. If the replacement tree does not pass inspection, the
 applicant will be required to replace it.

OR

Option 2. Pay a \$250 fee per tree to the City.

The fee must be paid before you can cut down your tree.

| Once a tree removal is approved, the applicant must designate mitigation option. | | |
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| Date: | Permit #: | Mitigation Required: |
| I choose the following option to mitigate for my tree removal: | | |
| Option 1. Replace a tree on my property within 6 months of today | | |
| OR | | |
| Option 2. Pay the fee of \$250 per tree before I cut down my tree | | |