

Georgetown Village Condominium

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION NO. 08-01

TREE REMOVAL POLICY

This Administrative Resolution establishes the Georgetown Village Condominium (GVC) policy on the removal of trees from the common elements.

A. In general, GVC's policy is not to remove any tree unless it meets one of the conditions below. Should it become necessary to remove one or more trees, the Landscape Committee will review the situation and propose a course of action to the GVC Board of Directors, who shall make a final decision.

1. Policy for the removal of trees proposed by the Landscape Committee.

Occasionally it is necessary to remove trees for various reasons. For instance, when a weather event damages or destroys a tree, a tree presents a potential threat to persons or property, a tree is overcrowding an area, a tree is an eyesore because its state of health is questionable, a tree is producing material that could be damaging to property, a tree has a disease that could spread to surrounding trees, or a tree has come to the end of its functional life.

2. Policy for the removal of trees proposed by a homeowner.

Should a homeowner(s) request the removal of a tree, s/he shall make the request to the Landscape Committee, through the On-Site Management Office. The request must be in writing, by letter or email, identifying the specific tree proposed for removal and the reason(s) for requesting removal. The Landscape Committee will 1) approve the request to be forwarded to the Board for approval; 2) request additional information, if needed, before making a recommendation; or 3) deny the request. In the latter two situations, the Committee, through the On-Site Management Office (OSMO), will notify the requesting homeowner(s) of the need for additional information or the reason for denial. In such cases, the Board also will be informed.

B. Before proposing any tree for removal (whether by the Committee or a homeowner), the Landscape Committee will consult with the Association's landscaping contractor or a tree arborist, who will be asked to review the state and location of a tree proposed for removal to provide an opinion on the tree's health, probability of decline, effect on surrounding landscaping, etc.

C. In accordance with standard Landscape Committee procedures, the affected homeowners will be notified in advance of the necessity for tree removal that is proposed for the area immediately surrounding their building, whether proposed by the Landscape Committee or by a homeowner. The removal of any tree for whatever reason does not automatically mandate its replacement by another tree or planting.

D. The cost of removal and the proper care of trees on GVC property is covered under the line item 6160, "Tree Maintenance: Expense for the proper care of trees located upon the common areas of the community, including pruning and fertilization, and the removal of trees and stumps as necessary."

E. The previous Administrative Resolution 08-01 is revoked, and superseded by this Resolution, effective immediately.

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