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2017 Tree Removal Project

The City of Cudahy has hired a contractor to remove dead or diseased trees throughout the City. Trees were inspected and marked for removal by the City's Arborist. The following are typical questions and answers regarding the project.



How do I know my tree is being removed? The City Arborist marked all trees to be removed with a big X.

Why is the tree coming down? The tree's health has been evaluated over the past 5 years. The trees that are being removed are either dead, dying or are inflected with a disease that will eventually weaken the tree making it hazardous. Many of the trees that are being removed are green ash trees that have been inflected with the Emerald Ash Borer beetle. Due to the ongoing costs and the impacts injecting these trees with insecticide has on the environment, the City decided to remove green ash trees from its parkways. Other trees that have been experiencing issues are the parkway maples. The parkway maples are experiencing "maple decline". Maple decline occurs for several reasons. When a tree is suffering from decline there is not much the City can do except remove the tree.

Who has to pay for the tree removal? Due to the hazards that these trees may present to the public, the Common Council has appropriated nearly a quarter million dollars to remove about 600 trees.

Who is the contractor? M & M Tree Service

When will the work be done? When you see the temporary orange "No Parking" signs go up that means the tree will be removed within the next day or two.

When will the stump be removed? The contractor will also be removing the stump. This will be done with a separate crew about three weeks after the tree is removed.

When will the City plant a new tree? It is unknown when a new tree will be planted. The City has appropriated funds to remove the trees but does not have sufficient funds to replant all of the removed trees. The Public Works Department typically gets enough money to purchase and plant about 120 trees annually. So it may take years before you will see a new tree planted where a tree was removed. In the interim the City crews will come back mid-summer and restore the area with topsoil and seed.