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## **APPENDIX B. TECHNICAL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS**

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### **General**

The following is a list of various technical designs and details that are used by the City of Goldsboro to evaluate projects for quality of design that promotes the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens and visitors of the City of Goldsboro. The City Council may require additional requirements if the details and designs in this Appendix are deemed insufficient by the City Council.

### **I. Off-Street Parking**

Dimensional Requirements: Each parking stall shall be designated and arranged to meet or exceed the following:

1. Stall Length: Standard: Eighteen (18) feet;  
Parallel: Twenty-Two (22) feet;
2. Stall Width: Standard: Nine (9) feet;  
Parallel: Ten (10) feet;
3. Aisle Width between Stall Lines:  
Ninety (90) Degrees: Twenty-four (24) feet;  
Sixty (60) Degrees: Nineteen (19) feet;  
Forty-five (45) Degrees: Sixteen (16) feet;  
Thirty (30) Degrees: Fourteen (14) feet;  
Parallel (0) Degrees: Fifteen (15) feet;
4. End stalls utilizing a ninety (90) degree of incidence shall be at least twelve (12) feet wide unless a nine (9) foot by fifteen (15) foot maneuvering apron is provided adjacent to each end stall. Each apron may serve two (2) stalls.
5. Any sidewalk adjacent to a parking stall shall observe a minimum setback of two (2) feet.
6. All paved parking stalls shall be adequately marked with a painted strip at least three and one-half (3-1/2) inches wide.
7. All off-street parking areas shall provide adequate driveway stems to provide for adequate circulation of traffic. Larger projects shall provide drive stems at least fifty (50) feet in length. Smaller projects shall provide driveway stems as required by the Planning and Community Development Director.
8. The minimum drive aisle width for two-way traffic shall be 24 ft.

### **II. Landscaping Design and Details**

The guidelines included in this Appendix apply to all new development, governed by the permitting process defined in the City of Goldsboro Unified Development Ordinance. Any property developed or substantially changed under a permit approved by the City of Goldsboro is subject to the planting guidelines of this Appendix.

Included in this section is a compilation of the latest accepted horticultural practices. It is meant to be used by North Carolina Landscape Contractors and Development Services staff to help assure that installed landscaping thrives once planted. It contains definitions, text descriptions, and plant list. This section also provides information on tree protection, planting guidelines and suggested species.

This section is the guide that the City of Goldsboro staff will use to assess landscape installation. All developers are expected to follow these guidelines.

**1. Sight Triangles**

On a corner lot in any zoning district, no structure, fence, wall or vegetation that obstructs the vision should be placed within the sight triangle. Measuring from the street grade, no object, wall, fence, vegetation, or land surface shall be no higher than 3 ½ feet. All triangle horizontal measurements shall be measured from the edge of the right-of-way.

Refer to Figure A.1 for DOT requirements on State roadways.

**Figure A.1**

Refer to Figure A.2  
roadways.

for City of Goldsboro requirements on all other

**Figure A.2**

## 2. LIST OF APPROVED PLANT SPECIES

LARGE TREES	TREE TYPE	AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD		GROWTH RATE	SITE CONDITIONS	BENEFITS	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS	REMARKS
Acer rubrum RED MAPLE	deciduous shade	40-60'	30-50'	fast	adaptable	spring flowers fall colors	leaf hoppers borers	does not tolerate heavy pollution, shade tolerant
Acer saccharum SUGAR MAPLE	deciduous shade	60-75'	40-60'	moderate	well-drained slightly moist	fall color	leaf scorch	beautiful fall color, resents heat, shade tolerant
Betula nigra RIVER BIRCH	deciduous	40-70'	40-60'	slow to moderate	moist preferred, but adaptable	handsome form & bark	leaf spot	multi- or single-stem, adaptable "Heritage" excellent selection
Carpinus carolina HORNBEAM, IRONWOOD	deciduous shade	20-50'	30-50'	slow to moderate	rich, moist, slightly acid	fall color, smooth bark	canker, leaf spot	very adaptable smaller shade tree, unique trunk, shade tolerant
Cedrus deodara DEODAR CEDAR	evergreen	40-70'	50-90'	moderate	well-drained, somewhat dry	foliage texture and color	cold damage, top dieback	excellent graceful specimen w/ soft blue-green color
Cercidiphyllum japonicum Katsura Tree	deciduous shade	40-60'	30-60'	moderate	rich, moist, well-drained; full sun	beautiful foliage	non-serious sun scale	extremely handsome, underused, beautiful spring foliage
Cladrastis kentukea Yellowwood	deciduous shade	30-50'	40-55'	moderate	well-drained, full sun	fragrant & bright	very few	beautiful fragrant flowers on older trees, underused
Cryptomeria japonica Japanese Cedar	evergreen	50-60'	20-30'	moderate	rich, moist, acid; full sun	soft texture, beautiful bark	leaf blight, branch dieback	graceful, stately specimen, excellent screen
Fagus grandiflora American Beech	deciduous shade	50-70'	50-70'	slow	moist, well-drained, acid	handsome form, bark	none serious, surface roots	beautiful and grand native for large area, shallow roots inhibit grass
Fraxinus pennsylvanica Green Ash	deciduous shade	50-60'	25-35'	fast	very adaptable, full sun	adaptability	borers, scale	plant cultivars to prevent reseeding, easily transplanted
Ginkgo biloba Ginkgo Tree	deciduous shade	50-80'	30-60'	moderate	adaptable, full sun	unique foliage, rich yellow	none serious	spectacular when mature, bright golden fall color, plant male only
Gymnocladus dioica Kentucky Coffeetree	deciduous shade	60-75'	40-50'	slow to moderate	adaptable	bold form & unique color	none serious	interesting tree for large area, pods persistent through winter
Liquidambar s.	deciduous	60-75'	40-50'	moderate	adaptable, needs	rich fall color	numerous	fruitless variety, but

rotundiloba Sweetgum (fruitless)	shade				large root zone		pests if under stress	some reversion possible, rich fall color
Liriodendron tulipifera Tulip Poplar	deciduous shade	70-90'	35-50'	fast	moist, drained, loamy soil, full sun	beautiful spring flowers	numerous if poorly sited	majestic tree only for large sites, needs well-drained, loamy soil
Magnolia grandiflora Southern Magnolia	evergreen	60-80'	30-50'	moderate	rich, well-drained shade tolerant	fragrant flower handsome leaf	messy leaves surface roots	formal spec. as screen or large hedge, use Little Gem or cultivars
Metasequoia glyptostroboides Dawn Redwood	deciduous	70-100'	24-45'	fast	moist, well-drained slightly acid	bright green fine leaves	none serious Japanese beetle	Tall but somewhat narrow, makes effective screen
Nyssa sylvatica Black Gum	deciduous	30-50'	20-30'	moderate	moist well-drained acid	striking fall color	none serious	beautiful native tree but hard to find in nurseries
Pinus taeda Loblolly Pine	evergreen	40-60'	20-30'	fast	adaptable to poorly drained, acid soil	good fast screen	pine beetles	young fast screen, beetles not frequent in landscape
Quercus alba White Oak	deciduous shade	50-80'	60-90'	slow	deep, moist, well-drained, acid	stateliness, fall color	numerous, but tree is survivor	most majestic of trees, slow growth
Quercus coccinea Scarlet Oak	deciduous shade	70-75'	40-50'	moderate	adaptable	excellent glossy foliage	none serious	excellent foliage, attractive form makes it very popular
Quercus phellos Willow Oak	deciduous shade	40-60'	30-60'	moderate	adaptable	good form, fine texture	none serious	highly adaptable & obtainable, perhaps overused
Quercus shumardii SHUMARD OAK	deciduous shade	40-60'	40-60'	moderate	adaptable	reliability, fall color	none serious	reliable & adaptable, becoming more available
Sophora japonica PAGODA/SCHOLAR TREE	deciduous shade	50-75'	50-75'	fast	loamy, well-drained	fragrant showy flowers	canker, cold damage if young	some disease & hardiness problems when young, but good urban tree
Taxodium distichum Bald Cypress	deciduous	50-70'	20-30'	moderate	adaptable, full sun	fine texture, attractive bark	twig blight, cypress moth	stately tree with finer texture than most, quite adaptable in cities
Tilia cordata Littleleaf Linden	deciduous shade	60-70'	40-60'	moderate	moist, well-drained, fertile	pollution tolerant	scale, linden mite, aphids	handsome tree for large sites, not as adaptable in warm climates
TSUGA CANADENSIS CANADIAN HEMLOCK	evergreen	40-70'	25-35'	moderate	moist, well-drained acid, sun or shade	fine texture; hedge, screen	numerous if not properly sited	great for naturalizing, screening or large hedge, do not allow to dry
Ulmus parviflora Lacebark Elm	deciduous shade	40-50'	40-50'	moderate	adaptable	beautiful mottled bark	none serious	tough & durable for urban sites, easily

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<b>LARGE TREES</b>	<b>TREE TYPE</b>	<b>AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD</b>		<b>GROWTH RATE</b>	<b>SITE CONDITIONS</b>	<b>BENEFITS</b>	<b>POSSIBLE PROBLEMS</b>	grown & transplanted <b>REMARKS</b>
Zelkova serrata Japanese Zelkova	deciduous shade	50-80'	50-80'	moderate	moist well-drained sun	good foliage, fall color	none serious	handsome tree w/ good foliage, vase shape, "Village Gr." good
<b>ORNAMENTAL TREES</b>								
Acer ginnala Amur Maple	deciduous	15-20'	15-20'	moderate	adaptable, sun or light shade	flowers, fall color	relatively few	very hardy, can use in container, as specimen or groups
Acer palmatum Japanese Maple	deciduous	15-25'	15-25'	slow to moderate	moist, well- drained, sun/shade	fall color, great foliage	few, leaf scorch	beautiful specimen or accent, may varieties
Amelanchier aborea Serviceberry	deciduous	15-25'	10-30'	moderate	moist, well- drained, sun/shade	spring flowers, fall color	rust, leaf blight, fire blight	great for naturalizing, edible fruit, attracts wildlife, interest in winter
Cercis canadensis Redbud	deciduous	20-30'	25-35'	moderate	adaptable if not wet sun/part shade	spring flowers fall color	canker, leaf spot Verticillium wilt	native tree for naturalizing, as specimen or group, new varieties
Cornus florida Flowering Dogwood	deciduous	20-30'	20-30'	moderate	well-drained, acid, organic, moist	spring flowers fall color	borer, fungus, leaf spot	despite problems, worth growing in proper cultural conditions
Cornus kousa Kousa Dogwood	deciduous	20-30'	20-30'	slow to moderate	well-drained, acid, sandy, organic	spring flowers fall color	borers, none serious	softens harsh structures, beautiful in flower, fall color & winter habit
Crataegus phaenopyrum Washington Hawthorn	deciduous	25-30'	20-25'	moderate	well-drained, full sun	spring flowers, showy fall	fireblight, leaf spot, mildew	fruit display makes for excellent specimen, "Winter King" less rust
Halesia carolina Carolina Silverbell	deciduous	30-40'	20-35'	moderate	well-drained, organic, moist, acid	spring flowers fall fruit	very pest resistant	subtly beautiful native for shrub and woodland border, sun/shade
Ilex opaca American Holly	evergreen	20-40'	18-40'	slow	well-drained, moist, acid, sun	red berries	leaf miner, scale bud moth, blight	picturesque specimen, many superior cultivars "Greenleaf"

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ORNAMENTAL TREES	TREE TYPE	AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD		GROWTH RATE	SITE CONDITIONS	BENEFITS	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS	REMARKS
Ilex x cultivar Holly (large types)	evergreen	15-25'	15-25'	moderate to fast	well-drained, moist acid, sun	glossy dark leaves	none serious	many large enough to use as trees, screening, "Nellie"
Koelreuteria paniulata Golden Raintree	deciduous	30-40'	30-40'	moderate to fast	adaptable, full sun	spring leaves summer flower	none very serious	lawn or patio tree, unique for summer flowers
Lagerstroemia indica x faurei Crape Myrtle	deciduous	18' +	varies	fast	well-drained, warm full sun	bark, form, summer flower	powd. mildew black spot	excellent National Arboretum cultivars for flower
Magnolia x loebneri Magnolia Loebner	deciduous	20-30'	25-35'	moderate	well-drained, acid moist, organic, sun	fragrant spring blooms, form	seldom	Spectacular early flowers susceptible to freeze but worth risk
Magnolia x soulangeana Saucer Magnolia	deciduous	20-30'	15-25'	moderate	well-drained, acid, moist, organic, sun	fragrant spring blooms, form	seldom	Spectacular early flowers susceptible to freeze but worth risk
Magnolia virginiana Sweetbay Magnolia	semi-evergreen	20-30'	25-35'	moderate	adaptable, tolerates wet, shade	fragrant summer bloom	none serious	versatile tree with nice foliage, fragrant flowers, often multi-stem
Malus hybrid Flowering Crabapple	deciduous	varies	varies	varies	well-drained, moist, acid, sun	spring bloom fall fruit	use only resistant variety	many varieties available with diff. habits, select disease resistant
Parrotia persica Persian Parrotia	deciduous	20-40'	15-30'	moderate	well-drained, sun or light shade	spring flowers exfoliat. bark	none except J. beetles	Exceptional specimen, accent, small lawn or street tree, under use
Pistachia chinensis Chinese Pistache	deciduous	30-35'	25-35'	moderate	adaptable, full sun	fall color, bark	none	highly adaptable lawn, park, street tree w/ outstanding fall color
Prunus species Flowering Cherry	deciduous	varies	varies	varies	well-drained, moist, sun	spring flowers tree form	depends on conditions	popular ornamental despite problems
Sassafras albidum Sassafras	deciduous	30-60'	25-40'	moderate to fast	well-drained, moist, acid, sun/lt. shade	spring flowers fall color	numerous but seldom noticed	overlooked native, excellent for naturalizing, road sides, fall color
Stewartia pseudocamelia Japanese Stewartia	deciduous	20-40'	15-30'	moderate	well-drained, moist, organic	summer flower bark, tree form	none serious	magnificent specimen w/ Camelia-like flowers and beautiful bark
Styrax japonica Japanese Snowbell	deciduous	20-30'	20-30'	moderate	well-drained, moist, organic	late spring flower, form	mostly pest free, borers	lovely graceful tree all seasons, cultivars available, underused

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ORNAMENTAL TREES	TREE TYPE	AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD		GROWTH RATE	SITE CONDITIONS	BENEFITS	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS	REMARKS
Thuja occidentalis 'Emerald' 'Emerald Arborvitae'	evergreen	15-25'	5-10'	slow to moderate	well-drained, soil & air moisture, sun	fine texture, foliage	bagworm, heart rot, red spider	Useful as specimen, accent, hedge, screen. Narrow pyramidal form.
SHRUBS	TREE TYPE	AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD		GROWTH RATE	SITE CONDITIONS	BENEFITS	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS	REMARKS
Abelia grandiflora Glossy Abelia	evergreen sm. med.	3-6'	3-6'	moderate to fast	easily grown, sun, moist, well-drained	flowers June – frost	none serious	for mass or hedge, 'Sherwood' more dense/compact; x 'Edward Goucher' darker pink flowers
Aronia arbutifolia Red Chokeberry	deciduous medium	6-10'	4-6'	moderate	adaptable, sun/pt. shade	spring flowers fall color	none serious, leaf spot	border, massing, groups, naturalizing, brilliant fruit
Berberis julianna Wintergreen Barberry	evergreen medium	6-10'	6-10'	moderate	adaptable, sun	yellow spring flowers, fall	thorns	impenetrable hedge, improper pruning can ruin form
Berberis thunbergii Japanese Barberry	deciduous sm– med	3-6'	4-7'	moderate	adaptable, sun, not too wet	leaf colors, winter fruit	not prevalent	many cultivars – 'Crimson Pigmy' & 'Rose Glow'
Buddleia davidii Butterfly Bush	deciduous md.-lrg	5-15'	8-12'	fast	adaptable, sun, not too wet	foliage color, profuse bloom	none serious	many cultivars w/ varied size, foliage, bloom color
Callicarpa dictoma Purple Beautyberry	deciduous sm – md	3-5'	4-6'	moderate	adapts, well-drained, sun/pt.shade	graceful form, spectacular fall berries	none serious	used in mass, few can compete w/ effect of this shrub in fruit, purple & white fruiting types available
Camellia japonica, sasanqua Camellia	evergreen md – lrg	10-15' 6-10'	6-10' 5-8'	slow to moderate	moist, well-drained organic, part shade	fall, winter or spring bloom	many w/o proper condition	many cultivars, for accent, screening, espalier
Chamaecyparis pisifera cult. Japanese Falsecypress	evergreen md – lrg	4-15'	4-10'	moderate	moist, well-drained humid, sun	fine texture	none serious leaf scorch	accent or specimen conifer, cultivates w/ gold or bluish leaf
Clethra alnifolia Summersweet Clethra	deciduous medium	3-8'	4-6'	moderate	acid, organic tolerates wet, sun/s	summer bloom fall color	none	underused plant for massing, naturalizing, fragrant in bloom

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Euonymus alatus Winged Euonymus	deciduous md – lrg	15-20'	15-20'	moderate	adaptable, not too wet, sun/shade	form, fall color fruit, winter	none serious	excellent as specimen, massing, screening, great fall color
Forsythia x intermedia Border Forsythia	deciduous md – lrg	8-12'	10-12'	fast	adaptable, sun/pt. shade	early spring flowers	none serious	shrub border, massing, groups, bank plantings
Hammamelis x intermedia Witch Hazel Hybrid	deciduous large	10-20'	10-15'	moderate	moist, well-drained sun/shade	fragrant winter bloom	none serious	specimen, group, shrub border, naturalizing, underused, native
Hydrangea species Hydrangea	deciduous md – lrg	4-15'	4-15'	fast	moist, well-drained salt tolerant	lrg. summer bloom	none prevalent	accent, groups, all showy flower, color varies – 'Oak Leaf' fall color
Ilex crenata cultivars Japanese Holly	evergreen sm-md-lrg	4-12'	4-12'	moderate	moist, well-drained sun, no drought	evergreen leaf, texture	spider mites, black knot	workhorse plants for foundation, hedge, mass
Ilex comuta cultivars Chinese Holly	evergreen sm-md-lrg	3-15'	4-15'	moderate	adaptable, sun drought tolerant	broad glossy leaf	scale, varies w/ cultivar	accent, foundation, screen, hedge, many cultivars
Ilex glabra Inkberry Holly	evergreen medium	5-10'	5-10'	moderate	moist, acid sun/shade	adaptable	none serious	accent, foundation, screen, hedge, mass, many cultivars
Ilex vomitoria Yaupon Holly	evergreen sm-md-lrg	3-20'	5-15'	moderate to fast	adaptable, wet or dry, salt tolerant	great adaptability	none serious	some small trees, accent, foundation, hedge, screen, mass
Ilex verticillata Winterberry	deciduous medium	6-10'	6-10'	slow to moderate	adaptable, tolerates wet, sun/pt. shade	red fall-winter fruit	none serious	mass, border, bank plantings, wet soils, need male for fruit, cultivars
Illicium parviflorum Small Anise-Tree	evergreen large	8-15'	10-15'	moderate	adaptable, wet/dry sun/shade	olive green foliage	none serious	large foliage, mass or screen, prune for specimen small tree
Itea virginica Virginia Sweetspire	deciduous medium	3-7'	5-10'	moderate to fast	adaptable, prefers moist, sun/shade	May blooms, good foliage	none serious	massing, banks, naturalizing, highly adaptable native
Juniperus cultivars Juniper	evergreen sm-md-lrg	1-20'+	1-10'+	moderate	tolerant of poor soils, not wet	needle-like foliage	twig blight, rust, wilt, mites	ground cover, foundation, bank, hedge, screen, specimen – vary



SHRUBS	TREE TYPE	AT MATURITY HEIGHT SPREAD		GROWTH RATE	SITE CONDITIONS	BENEFITS	POSSIBLE PROBLEMS	REMARKS
Ligustrum japonicum Japanese Privet	evergreen large	8-15'	8-12'	fast	adaptable, sun/sh, salt tolerant, no wet	lustrous dark green leaves	none serious	foundation, screen, hedge, topiary, can shape into sm. tree, cultivars
Myrica cerifera Wax Myrtle	evergreenlarge	10-20'	10-20'	fast	adaptable, sun/sh. salt tolerant	adaptable, fragrant	none serious	versatile as screen, mass, hedge, small tree
Nandina domestica Nandina	evergreen sm – med.	2-8'	3-8'	moderate	adaptable, sun/shade	spectacular fruit	none serious	border, screen, hedge, formal specimen, fall fragrance
Osmanthus x fortunei Fortune's Osmanthus	evergreen large	15-20'	15-20'	slow to moderate	moist, well-drained sun/shade	fragrance of flower	none serious	border, screen, hedge, formal specimen, fall fragrance
Prunus lauroceracus 'Zabel'	evergreen medium	3-6'	5-10'	moderate	moist, well- drained, organic, sun/shade	lustrous green foliage	root rot, bacterium & insect damage	foundation, hedge, accent, ground cover in shade, elegant plant
'Zabel' Skip Laurel Spirea species Spirea	deciduous sm-med.	2-8'	3-8'	moderate to fast	adaptable, not too wet, sun	spring to summer flower	very resilient	filler or massing, bank cover, many species/cultivars
Viburnum species 'Zabel' Skip Laurel	decid/ever md.-lrg	5-20'	5-20'	moderate	moist, well- drained, sun/shade	flower, fragrance fall color	relatively few	there is a viburnum for every need, many species

### 3. **Pruning Trees**

The following guidelines are recommended to protect your investment. Proper pruning improves the health and appearance of trees and prolongs their useful life by removing undesirable branches which are dead, weakened, diseased or insect-infested.

#### Types of Pruning –

The National Arborist Association recognizes four classes of pruning which define the type and degree of recommended pruning.

Class 1: Fine Pruning – the thorough removal of undesirable branches over ½” in diameter. This includes selective thinning to lessen wind resistance. See Drawing.

Class 2: Standard Pruning – the removal of undesirable branches over 1” in diameter.

Class 3: Hazard Pruning - the removal of undesirable branches over 2” in diameter. This class is recommended where safety considerations are paramount.

Class 4: Crown Reduction Pruning – the reduction in the size of the tree canopy.

#### Topping V.S. Thinning –

Proper pruning is not to be confused with the disfiguring practice of topping, which is prohibited. Topping is the indiscriminate removal of a tree’s main leader and branches resulting in stubs.

The cut surfaces of the stubs do not close readily and internal decay develops. The resulting flush of multiple water sprouts from the stubbed branches form terminals that are very weak. Topping leaves a tree highly susceptible to damage from strong winds, winter injury, insects and diseases.

Thinning is the correct method for removal of branches to their point of attachment to the trunk or another branch. This method eliminates unhealthy and unsightly stubs, resulting in an open, airy, natural appearance to trees. Thinning requires more skill and time to perform than does topping. Trees that are properly pruned and thinned will live longer and should not need to be pruned as often as trees that have been topped.

#### When To Prune –

Maintenance pruning of most shade trees can be done anytime. Severe pruning, however, should be done in late winter or early spring before new growth begins. Pruning of “bleeder”, that is, trees like birch and maple which seep profusely from cut surfaces in the spring, is sometimes delayed until the fall, although the loss of sap is seldom injurious unless the cuts are large.

Pruning of trees susceptible to certain vascular diseases, like American elm and red oak, should be avoided during the activity period of beetles which spread the diseases.

HOW TO PRUNE TREES –

The objective of pruning is to produce strong, healthy, attractive plants. By understanding how, when and why to prune, and by following a few simple principles, this objective can be achieved.

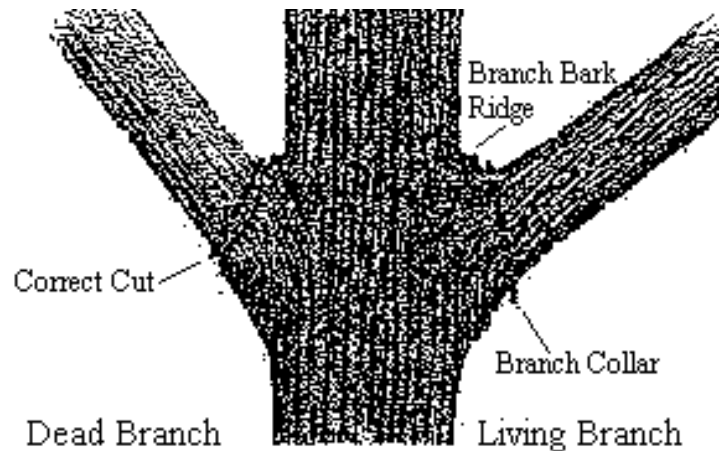
Pruning cuts should be made so that only branch tissue is removed and stem tissue is not damaged. At the point where the branch attaches to the stem, branch and stem tissues remain separate, but are contiguous. If only branch tissues are cut when pruning, the stem tissue of the tree will probably not become decayed, and the wound will seal more effectively.

Pruning Living Branches –

To find the proper place to cut a branch, look for the branch collar that grows from the stem tissue at the underside of the base of the branch. On the upper surface, there is usually a branch bark ridge that runs (more or less) parallel to the branch angle, along the stem of the tree. A proper pruning cut does not damage either the branch bark ridge or the branch collar.

A proper cut begins just outside the branch bark ridge and angles down away from the stem of the tree, avoiding injury to the branch collar. Make the cut as close as possible to the stem in the branch axil, but outside the branch bark ridge, so that stem tissue is not injured and the wound can seal in the shortest time possible. If the cut is too far from the stem, leaving a branch stub, the branch tissue usually dies and woundwood forms from the stem tissue.

The quality of prune cuts can be evaluated by examining pruning wounds after one growing season. A concentric ring of woundwood will form from proper pruning cuts.



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Pruning Small Branches

Pruning Larger Branches

When pruning small branches with hand pruners, make sure the tools are sharp enough to cut the branches cleanly without tearing. Branches large enough to require saws should be supported with one hand while the cuts are made. If the branch is too large to support, make a three-step pruning cut to prevent bark ripping.

1. The first cut is a shallow notch made on the underside of the branch, outside the branch collar. This cut will prevent a falling branch from tearing the stem tissue as it pulls away from the tree.
2. The second cut should be outside the first cut, all the way through the branch, leaving a short stub.
3. The stub is then cut just outside the branch bark ridge/branch collar, completing the operation.

#### Pruning Dead Branches –

Prune dead branches in much the same way as live branches. Making the correct cut is usually easy because the branch collar and the branch bark ridge can be distinguished from the dead branch.

#### Drop Crotch Cuts –

A proper cut begins just above the branch bark ridge and extends through the stem parallel to the branch bark ridge. Usually, the stem being removed is too large to be supported with one hand, so the three cut method should be used.

1. With the first cut, make a notch on the side of the stem away from the branch to be retained, well above the branch crotch.
2. Begin the second cut inside the branch crotch, staying well above the branch bark ridge, and cut through the stem above the notch.
3. Cut the remaining stub just inside the branch bark ridge through the stem parallel to the branch bark ridge.

To prevent the abundant growth of sprouts on the stem below the cut, make the cut at a lateral branch that is at least one-third of the diameter of the stem of their union.

#### Guidelines –

**Crown Thinning:**

- Assess how a tree will be pruned from the top down.
- Favor branches with strong, U-shaped angles of attachment. Remove Branches with weak, V-shaped angles of attachment.
- Ideally, lateral branches should be evenly spaced on the main stem of young trees.
- Remove any branches that rub or cross another branch.
- Make sure that lateral branches are no more than one-half to three-quarters of the diameter of the stem to discourage the development of co-dominant stems.
- Do not remove more than one-quarter of the living crown of a tree at one time. If it is necessary to remove more, do it over successive years.

**Crown Raising:**

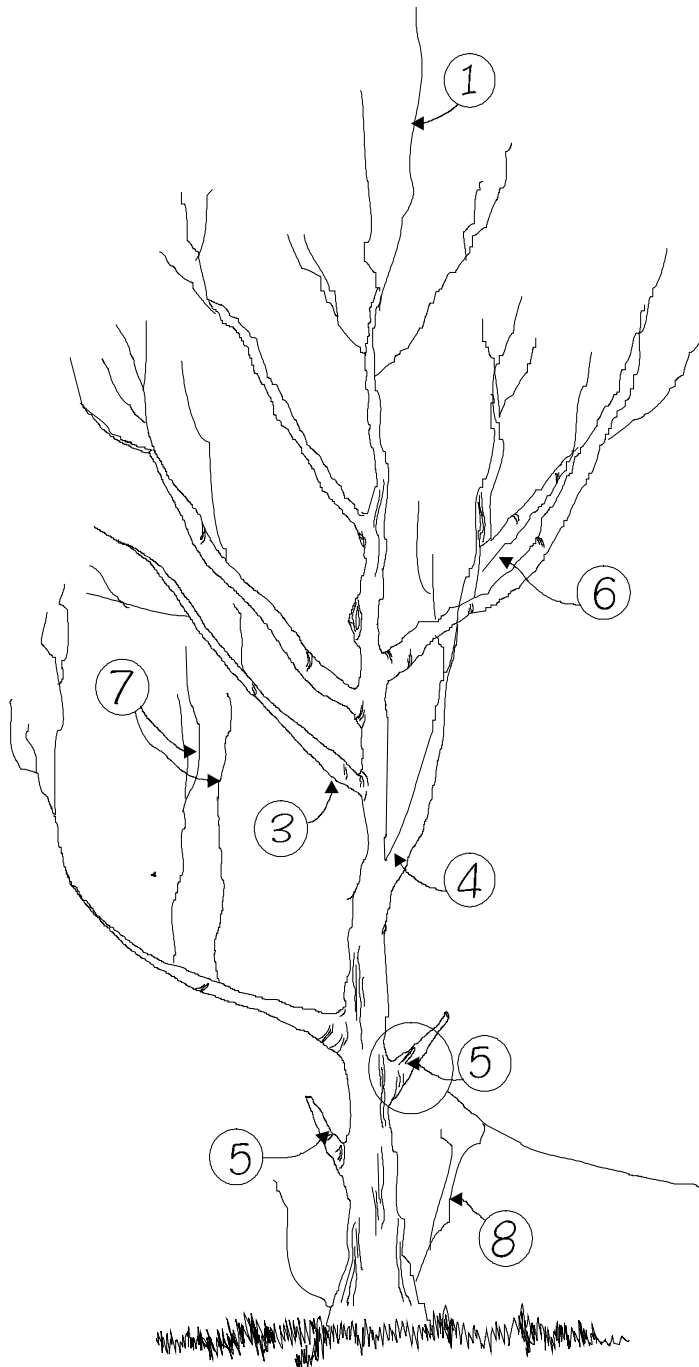
- Always maintain live branches on at least two-thirds of a tree's total height. Removing too many lower branches will hinder the development of a strong stem.
- Remove basal sprouts.

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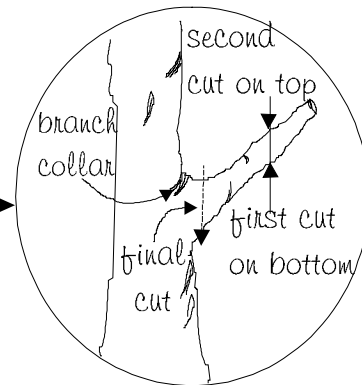
- Use crown reduction pruning only when absolutely necessary. Make the pruning cut at a lateral branch that is at least one-third the diameter of the stem to be removed.
- If it is necessary to remove more than half of the foliage from a branch, remove the entire branch.

# Pruning Diagram

What To Look For:



- ① Forked top. If left on tree, this will cause the development of two leaders, thus wasting growth energy. Later, as the two tops get larger, the fork may split and damage the tree.
- ② Remove for Street Tree clearance.
- ③ Parallel branch, remove the smaller of the two.
- ④ Branch growing at a sharp angle. When this branch becomes larger, it may rub on the trunk, split out, or even cause rot to develop by giving water a chance to collect.
- ⑤ Temporary branch.
- ⑥ Crossing branches. These interfere with each other's growth and create bad form.
- ⑦ Water sprouts. Remove.
- ⑧ Basal sprouting from the root crown. This saps energy from the tree, looks messy and can collect trash.



#### 4. **PLANTING GUIDELINES**

The following guidelines to tree planting will help reduce transplanting shock and ensure that trees adapt to the new site. Keep in mind that spring and fall are the best times of the year to plant trees.

##### Planting the Tree –

The tree should be planted at the same depth or slightly higher than it was growing at the nursery. A high mound should be avoided as the soils can dry out quickly in the summer and freeze in the winter.

The hole should be dug shallow and wide. It should not be any deeper than the root ball but should be a wide hole, allowing for amendments, if necessary, or for loosening heavy soil to allow for improved oxygen availability and root penetration.

The backfill soil should be added gradually and watered carefully to settle the soil but not to saturate it. Balled and burlapped trees should have any untreated burlap pulled away from the top of the root ball and cut away, not buried, so that none of the burlap is exposed at the soil surface. Otherwise, the burlap can wick moisture away from the roots of the freshly planted tree.

##### Staking the Tree –

Stakes should only be necessary to support trees on windy sites or for smaller trees with weak trunks. The stakes should be placed before the backfill is added to avoid damaging any large roots. A stake is meant to provide temporary support and should be removed within a year or two to allow the tree to develop trunk strength and to limit the potential for physical damage from the stakes and support ties.

Anything used for a tie should have a flat, smooth surface and be somewhat elastic to allow for slight movement for the tree. Suitable materials include rubber strips or webbing and belting. Wire covered with a hose or tubing should NOT be used.

##### Water –

Because a newly transplanted tree may have lost much of its root system, watering is critical for successful establishment. Initial watering at planting should be followed with weekly watering, at a minimum, particularly during dry periods. A newly planted tree will benefit from at least an inch of water a week.

##### Mulch –

Newly planted trees respond well to mulch placed around the tree. This reduces initial root competition with turf and limits the possibility of physical damage by mowers. Mulch material also allows for the exchange of gases between the atmosphere and soil; helps provide for better water penetration into soil; and, reduces evaporation of soil water, conserving soil moisture for

optimal root growth. These factors contribute to the health of the trees and increase the likelihood of survival.

The mulch should NOT be piled around the tree and should not actually touch the tree trunk. No more than a 2-3 inch depth of mulch should be added with it being no more than ½ inch deep closest to the tree. Effects of too much mulch in planting areas include excessive moisture, reduced oxygen, and fungal growth.

The ideal mulch pattern tapers from a two – four inch depth of well-composted organic matter at the dripline of trees and shrubs to bare soil at the trunk. Sandy soils need deeper mulch layers over the new root-zone than clay soils.

#### Pruning –

When planting a tree, only dead or broken branches should be removed. All living branches should be left on the tree to help promote tree establishment. Once the tree has been established on the site training pruning can be done to promote good branching patterns, but no more than ¼ of the branches should be removed at any one time.

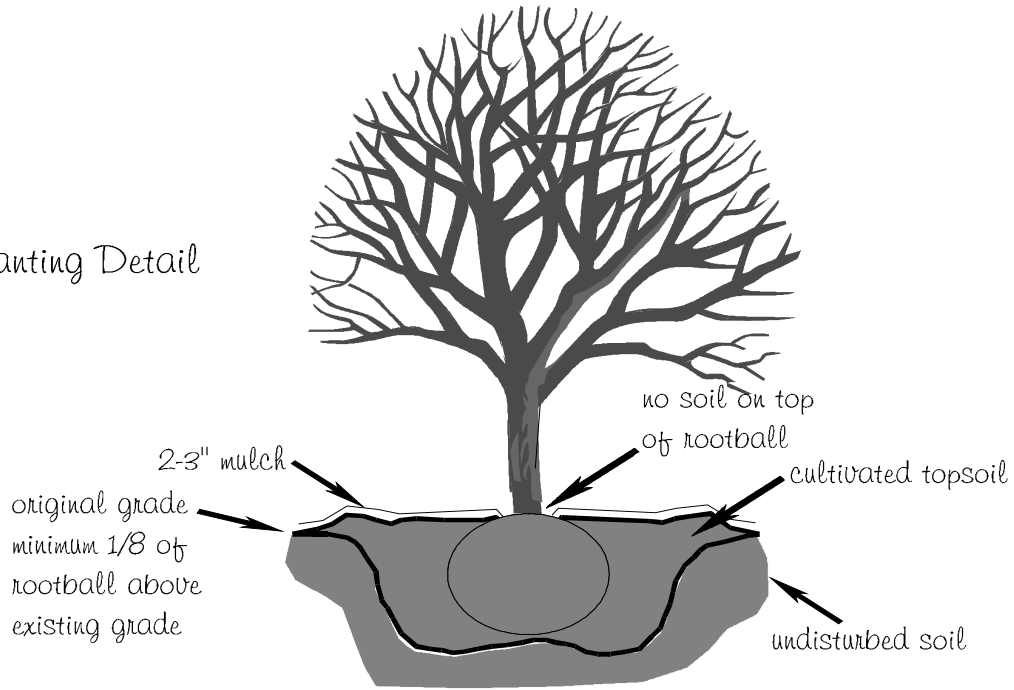
#### Fertilizer –

Fertilizer is not generally necessary at the time of planting and, indeed, if placed improperly in the planting hole can injure roots. However, the addition of nitrogen, if applied as recommended on the product label, can benefit a newly planted tree.

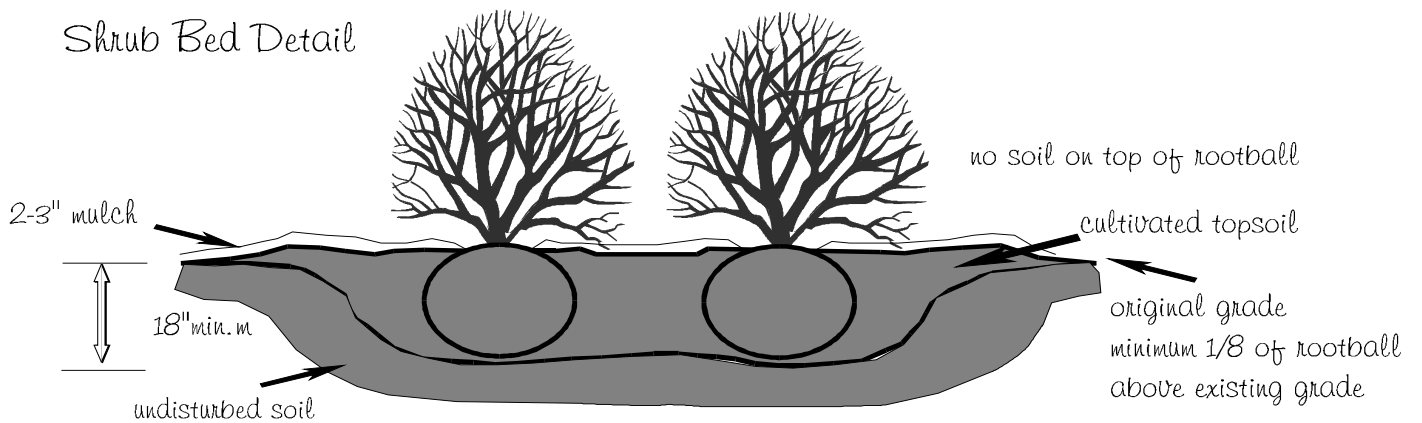


# Planting Diagram

Tree Planting Detail



Shrub Bed Detail



### III. Stormwater Control Facilities

#### General

- a. Within a Water Supply Protection District, the total allowable built upon area permitted on a lot shall be fifty (50) percent within the Water Supply Protection Critical Area WS-C District and seventy (70) percent within the Water Supply Protection Protected Area WS-P District when a proposed development controls the runoff of the first inch of rainfall using stormwater control facilities which meet or exceed specifications and requirements contained herein.
- b. All stormwater control facilities shall be designed by either a registered professional engineer or landscape architect in accordance with Chapter 89A of the North Carolina General Statutes. Other stormwater systems shall be designed by a registered professional with qualifications appropriate for the type of system required. These registered professionals are defined as professional engineers or landscape architects, in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 89(c)-3(7).
- c. All stormwater controls shall use wet detention ponds as a primary treatment system. Wet detention ponds shall be designated for specific pollutant removal according to modeling techniques approved by the North Carolina Division of Environmental Management and City of Goldsboro Engineering Department.

#### Design Standards

Stormwater control facilities required within a Water Supply Protection District shall be designed in accordance with the following specifications.

- a. Wet detention ponds shall be designed to remove eighty-five (85) percent of total suspended solids in the permanent pool and storage runoff from a one (1) inch rainfall from the site above the permanent pool;
- b. The designed runoff storage volume shall be above the permanent pool;
- c. The discharge rate from these systems following the one (1) inch rainfall design storm shall be such that the runoff does not draw down to the permanent pool level in less than two (2) days and that the pond is drawn down to the permanent pool level within at least five (5) days;
- d. The mean permanent pool depth shall be a minimum of three (3) feet;
- e. The inlet structure shall be designed to minimize turbulence using baffles or other appropriate design features.
- f. Vegetative filters shall be constructed for the overflow and discharge of all stormwater wet detention ponds and shall be at least thirty (30) feet in length. The slope and width of the vegetative filter shall be determined so as to

provide a non-erosive velocity of flow through the filter for a ten (10) year, twenty-four (24) hour storm with a ten (10) year, one (1) hour intensity with a slope of five (5) percent or less. Vegetation in the filter shall be natural vegetation, grasses or artificially planted wetland vegetation appropriate for the site characteristics.

- g. All land areas outside of the pond shall be provided with a ground cover sufficient to restrain erosion within thirty (30) days after any land disturbance. Upon completion of the stormwater control facility, a permanent ground cover shall be established and maintained as part of the maintenance agreement described herein.
- h. Pervious areas of the stormwater control facility may be considered when computing total built-upon area.

#### Water Supply Protection Permit, Performance Bonds and Maintenance Agreements

Under this Section, a completed Water Supply Protection Permit application shall include the following:

- a. Application forms signed by the owner of the property; The signature of the consulting engineer or other agent will be accepted on the application only if accompanied by a Letter of Authorization.
- b. Copies of a site plan as specified in Section 26-13. General Site Plan Requirements., or in the case of a subdivision, Section 21-12 and 21-14 which, in both cases, shall also include:
  - 1. Existing, proposed and/or permitted built-upon area for each lot;
  - 2. Topographic contour lines not to exceed two (2) foot intervals;
  - 3. Location of all required buffer areas;
  - 4. A detailed construction, operation and maintenance plan or manual for each stormwater control facility proposed for a site. Such plans and/or manuals shall be certified by a Registered Professional Engineer or Registered Professional Architect that the proposed stormwater control facilities will meet specifications contained herein.
- c. An operation and maintenance agreement between the City and the property owner which, upon approval by the City, shall be recorded by the City Attorney in the Office of the Register of Deeds as a restriction on the property and shall run with the land. Operation and maintenance agreement forms may be obtained from the Engineering Department.
- d. When a Certificate of Occupancy is requested prior to completion of all required stormwater control facilities, a performance bond or other security shall be submitted by the applicant or owner of a high-density project which

shall be in an amount equal to 1.25 times the total cost required to complete stormwater control facility as estimated by the applicant and approved by the City Engineer. The total cost of all the stormwater control facility shall include the value of all materials, such as piping and other structures, seeding and soil stabilization, design and engineering, and grading, excavation, fill, etc. The costs shall not be prorated as part of a larger project, but rather under the assumption of an individual project.

Maintenance and Upkeep.

- a. An operation and maintenance plan or manual shall be provided by the developer for each stormwater control facility, indicating what operation and maintenance actions are needed, what specific quantitative criteria will be used for determining when those actions are to be taken and who is responsible for those actions. The plan shall clearly indicate the steps that will be taken for restoring a stormwater control facility to design specifications if a failure occurs.
- b. Landscaping and grounds management shall be the responsibility of the owner entity. However, vegetation shall not be established or allowed to mature to the extent that the integrity of the facility is diminished or threatened, or to the extent of interfering with any easement or means of access.
- c. Except for general landscaping and grounds management, the owning entity shall notify the Director of Public Utilities in writing prior to any repair or reconstruction of the stormwater control facility. All improvements shall be made consistent with the approved plans and specifications of the stormwater control facility and the operation and maintenance plan or manual. After notification by the owning entity, the City Engineer shall inspect the completed improvements and shall inform the owning entity of any required additions, changes or modifications and of the time period to complete said improvements.
- d. Amendments to the plans and specifications of the stormwater control facility and/or the operation and maintenance plan or manual shall be approved by the City Engineer. Proposed changes shall be prepared and certified by a registered professional engineer or landscape architect (in accordance with General Statute Chapter 89A) and submitted for review by the City Engineer.
  1. If the City Engineer approves the proposed changes, the owning entity of the stormwater control facility shall file certified copies of the revisions with the Department of Planning and Community Development and the Engineering Department.
  2. If the City Engineer disapproves the changes, the proposal may be revised and resubmitted to the Engineering Department as a new proposal. If the proposal has not been revised and is essentially the same as that already reviewed, it shall be returned to the applicant.

- e. If the City Engineer finds that the operation and maintenance plan or manual is inadequate for any reason, the owner shall be notified of any required changes and shall prepare and submit copies of a revised agreement for review. Once the City Engineer approves the operation and maintenance plan, it shall become binding to and run with the property on which the stormwater control facility is located.

Inspections and Release of the Performance Bond.

- a. The stormwater control facility shall be inspected by the City Engineer after the owning entity notifies the City Engineer that all work has been completed. At this inspection, the owning entity shall provide a certification sealed by an engineer or landscape architect (to the extent that the General Statutes, Chapter 89A, allow) stating that the stormwater control facility is complete and consistent with the approved plans and specifications. If the City Engineer approves the inspection report and accepts the certification, the Director shall release the performance bond or other security and approve a Certificate of Occupancy for the project. If deficiencies are found, the City Engineer shall direct that improvements and inspections be made and/or documents corrected and resubmitted.
- b. All stormwater control facilities shall be inspected at least on an annual basis to determine whether the controls are performing as designated and intended. Records of inspection shall be maintained on forms approved or supplied by the North Carolina Division of Environmental Management. Annual inspections shall begin within one (1) year of filing date of the operation and maintenance agreement for the stormwater control facility.
- c. In the event the need for corrective action is discovered, the City Engineer shall notify the owning entity of the needed improvements and the date by which the corrective action is to be completed. All improvements shall be made consistent with the plans and specifications of the stormwater control facility and the operation and maintenance plan or manual.
- d. Appeals of any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the City Engineer may be made to and decided by the Board of Adjustment.