

# EAST GRAND RAPIDS TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

The City of East Grand Rapids encourages a healthy and diverse tree canopy within the public right-of-way. The City offers a 50/50 cost share of approved trees. Residents participating in this program benefit from a lower overall cost of purchasing and having a tree professionally planted. The City will invoice residents when trees have been planted.

The tree list below rotates periodically to ensure the City can achieve broader diversity in our tree canopy. Trees include a two-year warranty, but residents are required to care for the tree, which includes, but is not limited to, watering and fertilizing. The warranty does not cover trees that die as the result not being properly watered or damaged by lawn equipment.

Common Name	Drought Tolerance	Drainage Tolerance	Salt Tolerance	Shape	Mature Spread	Mature Height	Growth Rate	Outlaw Width	Overhead Wires	Quantity Ordered	Location Instructions
Red Horsechestnut	Mod	Moist to Well Drained	Poor	Upright/ Oval	30-40'	60-80'	Mod	3.5 - 4.5'			
Juneberry	Low - Mod	Well Drained	Low	Rounded	10-15'	10-25'	Mod	<3.5'	Ok		
Thornless Cockscur Hawthorn	High	Occasionally Wet to Well Drained	Mod	Rounded	10-25'	10-15'	Mod	<3.5'	Ok		
Tulip Tree	Low	Moist to Well Drained	Low	Pyramidal /Oval	35-50'	70-90'	Fast	> 4.5'			
Japanese Tree Lilac	High	Moist to Well Drained	High	Oval to Rounded	15-20'	20-30'	Mod	3.5 - 4.5'	Ok		
Little-leaf Linden	Mod	Moist to Mod Well Drained	Low	Pyramidal / Rounded	30-40'	40-60'	Mod				
Zelkova	Mod	Moist to Mod Well Drained	Low	Vase	40-50'	60-80'	Mod	> 4.5'			
Ginkgo	Mod	Moist to Mod Well Drained	High	Pyramidal	25-35'	50-75'	Mod	> 4.5'			
Chanticlear pear	Mod	Moist to Mod Well Drained	High	Pyramidal	10-20'	30-40'	Mod	3.5 - 4.5'	Ok		
"Skyline"- Thornless Honey Locust	High	Occasionally Wet to Well Drained	Mod	Spreading / Pyramidal	30-40'	35-45'	Fast	30-40'			

Tree planting takes place between October and December. Anyone with questions about the program should contact Mike Ferris at 940-4817 or mferris@eastgr.org. For additional information: visit [www.eastgr.org/trees](http://www.eastgr.org/trees).

- \*Trees cannot be planted in the same location where a tree has been removed.
- \*See reverse side for tree description information.

Return form by Oct. 1 to:

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 City of East Grand Rapids  
 750 Lakeside Drive, S. E.  
 East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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## TREE DESCRIPTIONS

<b>Red Horse Chestnut</b>	Lustrous large, dark green leaves with no fall color; showy bright red 6-10" flower spikes; moderate growth rate. Mature height of 20-30 feet.
<b>Chanticleer Pear</b>	A profusion of flowers in the spring, simple oval leaves that are dark green in the summer, turning orange to gold-red to red-purple in the fall. Yields hard pea-sized to 1" fruit that is brownish or russet colored, which persists into the winter. Medium growth rate. Mature height of 35-40 feet.
<b>Autumn Brilliance Juneberry</b>	Forms a dense, oval habit and produces masses of spring flowers that open light pink and turn white; produces purplish-black fruit which the birds love; dramatic fall color of orange, red and yellow. Fast growing. Mature height of 15-20 feet.
<b>Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn</b>	Clusters of white flowers in the spring, followed by dark red berries; rounded glossy green leaves which turn bright yellow to orange in the fall. Fast growing. Mature height: 15-25 feet.
<b>Japanese Tree Lilac</b>	Clusters of foot-long, white, fragrant flowers in early summer. After flowers fade, the tree produces seed capsules that attract songbirds. Mature height 15 – 30 feet.
<b>Greenspire Linden</b>	Tiny yellow, fragrant flowers appear in early summer and small, heart-shaped green leaves, which turn yellow in fall. Fairly fast growing. Mature height 30 -50 feet.
<b>Ginkgo</b>	Distinct, beautiful tree. Fan-shaped bright green leaves that turn a stunning yellow in the fall. Grows at a medium rate. Mature height 25 – 50 feet.
<b>Tulip Tree</b>	Leaves are 3-6" long with distinctive lobes, flat base and two ear-like tips turning vibrant yellow in the fall. Tulip-shaped flowers with greenish-yellow petals with a splash of orange at the base. Attractive shape and interesting reddish bark with white markings provide year –round interest. Fast growing. Mature height: 70 – 90 feet.
<b>Green Vase Zelkova</b>	A graceful shape, clean foliage, attractive bark. Oblong green leaves turn to yellow in fall, but can be a bronzy red in dry weather. Fast growing, somewhat wide spreading. Mature height: 60 – 80 feet.
<b>Skyline Locust</b>	Deep dark green leaves persist late in fall turning to yellow-green. Produces a few pods infrequently. Vigorous grower with a straight trunk and graceful ascending branches. Mature height: 35-40 feet.