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Urban Forest Services - Park Division  
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**RE: Tree Removal and Replacement**

Dear Fairfield Community Association,

Multiple trees located on City of Victoria property in the Fairfield neighbourhood have been identified as having conditions that require that the trees be removed, which can't be resolved by pruning. For safety reasons, these trees require removal as part of our ongoing tree removal and replacement program.

42	LINDEN AVE		Little leaf linden	22	Tree is in severe decline
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Garry oak	3	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Russian olive	3	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Snow Goose flowering cherry	7	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Snow Goose flowering cherry	10	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Cypress	18	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Cypress	24	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Cypress	26	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Cypress	37	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Scots pine	40	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Scots pine	45	Tree is dead
100	DALLAS RD	Beacon Hill Park	Scots pine	49	Tree is dead
130	LINDEN AVE		Crabapple	7	Tree is dead.
132	OLIVE ST		Crabapple	16	Tree is dead
156	LINDEN AVE		Northern European hawthorn	32	Severe structural defects
298	MOSS ST		Northern European hawthorn	42	Severe structural defects

309	MASTERS RD		Garry oak	4	Tree is dead
359	STANNARD AVE		Sorreltree (sourwood)	3	Tree is dead.
418	KIPLING ST		Yoshino flowering cherry	17	Tree is in severe decline
430	CHESTER AVE		Shirofugen flowering cherry	70	Severe trunk decay
917	MCCLURE ST		Accolade flowering cherry	22	Tree is in severe decline
1021	COLLINSON ST		Cherry plum	12	Tree is in severe decline
1115	MAY ST		Flowering ash	24	Severe trunk defects
1145	WOODSTOCK AVE		Vine maple	26	Tree is in severe decline
1149	FAITHFUL ST		Northern European hawthorn	19	Severe structural defects
1204	FAITHFUL ST		Kobus magnolia	4	Tree is dead
1400	FAIRFIELD RD		Higan flowering cherry	27	Tree is in severe decline
1403	FAIRFIELD RD		Lawson Cypress	88	Tree is dead
1410	FAIRFIELD RD		Snow Goose flowering cherry	58	Inadequate sound wood at base
1427	THURLOW RD		Cappadocian maple	25	Tree is dead
1431	RICHARDSON ST		Snow Goose flowering cherry	58	Tree is in severe decline
1516	FAIRFIELD RD		Sorreltree (sourwood)	3	Tree is dead
1594	FAIRFIELD RD		Yoshino flowering cherry	47	Tree is in severe decline
1594	FAIRFIELD RD		Yoshino flowering cherry	51	Tree is in severe decline

The removal work will occur sometime between September 15<sup>th</sup>,2021 and October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and will be performed by City arborists or a contractor authorized by the City of Victoria.

Removal of any tree is always a last resort. Pruning and other methods of reducing safety risks of unhealthy or structurally weak trees are always considered first.

### **Every Tree Removed is Replaced**

The stump of the removed tree will remain in place until a replacement tree is planted. There are several considerations when we select a replacement tree, such as soil conditions and drainage, other trees on the street, allergens, availability, and the likelihood of successful growth at the location. Tree species are selected months in advance and cared for in our nursery until planting season.

Maintaining and enhancing a healthy urban forest is a key priority for the City. We manage over 33,000 trees on public property, most of which are on 300 kilometres of boulevards and in over 130 parks and open spaces.

Guided by the Urban Forest Master Plan, our urban forestry team identifies areas for planting new trees to expand the inventory, as well as identifying existing trees that are reaching the end of their healthy life. Removing unhealthy or structurally weak trees reduces safety risks and opens space to establish young trees vital to Victoria's urban forest.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work to improve the health of Victoria's urban trees. Please don't hesitate to contact the Parks office at 250.361.0600 or [parks@victoria.ca](mailto:parks@victoria.ca) if you have any questions.

Regards, Rob Hughes Supervisor of Parks Operations, Arboriculture