

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Ogden Mowing

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS - MOWING AND TREES

MOWING - The City of Ogden has a Grass and Noxious Weeds Ordinance. The purpose of this is to beautify and preserve the appearance of the City by requiring property owners and occupants to maintain grass lawns at a uniform height within the boundaries of their property and on abutting street right-of-way in order to prevent unsightly, offensive or nuisance conditions.

Every owner shall cut, mow and maintain grass, weeds and brush upon the owner's property and to the curb line or outer boundary of any street not to exceed 8 inches in any residential or business and industrial area and not to exceed 24 inches in agricultural areas. Noxious weeds shall be cut to ground level or use of herbicides to eliminate or eradicate such weeds.

Any property within the City of Ogden, whether vacated or non-vacated, is required to be mowed any time the vegetation reaches more than the height allowed by the first and third Wednesday of the month in May, June, July, August, September and October of each year.

The City or their agents may mow any property, which is not mowed by the above dates, and will be charged a fee set by resolution by the Ogden City Council to the property owner. Any property owners who fail to mow their properties, thus allowing the same to be mowed by the City or their agents, and who do not provide payment for the mowing as required, will be assessed by the City for such costs, which will be collected in the same manner as general property taxes. Any billings are payable within 30 days of the billing date.

TREES - No tree shall be planted in any parking or street except in accordance with the following:

1. No person shall plant a tree within the parking or public right-of-way without first obtaining a permit therefor, which shall show the type of tree to be planted and the placement of the tree. The placement of the tree must be approved by the Building Inspector, and no permit shall be issued until the Inspector

has actually viewed the site of said placement. Property pins need to be located and Iowa One Call must be contacted so utilities are marked prior to viewing the site.

2. Alignment. All trees planted in any street shall be planted in the parking midway between the outer line of the sidewalk and the curb. In the event a curb line is not established, trees shall be planted on a line ten (10) feet from the property line.

3. Spacing. Trees shall not be planted on any parking which is less than nine (9) feet in width or contains less than eighty-one (81) square feet of exposed soil surface per tree. Trees shall not be planted closer than twenty-five (25) feet from street intersections (property lines extended) and ten (10) feet from driveways, or within three (3) feet of a sidewalk. No tree shall be planted closer than five (5) feet from any fire hydrant or closer than forty (40) feet to another tree on the parking. If it is at all possible trees should be planted inside the property lines and not between the sidewalk and the curb.

4. Shrubs Prohibited. No person shall plant a shrub upon the public right-of-way or parking.

5. Prohibited Trees. No person shall plant in any street any fruit-or nut-bearing tree or any tree of the kinds commonly known as ash, birch, black walnut, boxelder, catalpa, Chinese elm, all evergreens, cottonwood, ginkgo, magnolia, maple (autumn blaze and silver), mulberry, pin oak, poplar, Siberian elm, Tree of Heaven, willow.

6. No trees may be planted within a sewer easement area or beneath overhead power lines.

7. The Building Inspector or City Clerk may deny the issuance of a permit if the same would cause damage to the public right-of-way and parking, create a safety hazard or fail to conform to the scheme of planting of trees upon that particular right-of-way or parking area.

City Codes and permit applications may be obtained online at ogdeniowa.org or by contacting city hall at 515-275-2917.