

**Athens Shade Tree Commission**  
**Tree List for the Landscape Ordinance, Title 37**

**Large Species (at least 45 feet high at maturity in a good location)**  
(Not to be planted under high-voltage utility wires)

Hybrid Red Maple or Freeman Maple, <u>Acer x freemanii</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Catalpa speciosa</u> <sup>2,3,4</sup>
Black Maple <u>Acer nigrum</u>	American Beech <u>Fagus grandifolia</u>
Norway Maple, <u>Acer platanoides</u> , varieties	Ginkgo, <u>Ginkgo biloba</u> 1
Red Maple, <u>Acer rubrum</u> , varieties	Thornless Honey Locust, <u>Gleditsia tricanthos</u> , varieties
Silver Maple, <u>Acer sacchararium</u> <sup>23</sup>	Kentucky Coffee Tree, <u>Gymnocladus dioicus</u> <sup>4</sup>
Sugar Maple, <u>Acer saccharum</u> , varieties	Black Walnut <u>Juglans nigra</u>
Ohio Buckeye <u>Aesculus glabra</u> <sup>4</sup>	Tulip Tree <u>Liriodendron tulipifera</u> <sup>1</sup>
Common Horsechestnut <u>Aesculus hippocastrum</u> <sup>4</sup>	Sweetgum <u>Liquidambar</u> <sup>1,3</sup>
Yellow Buckeye <u>Aesculus octandra</u> <sup>4</sup> or <u>Aesculus flava</u> <sup>4</sup>	Cucumber Tree <u>Magnolia acuminata</u>
Black Alder, <u>Alnus glutinosa</u>	Dawn Redwood, <u>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</u> <sup>1</sup>
Yellow Birch <u>Betula alleghaniensis</u>	Black Gum or Tupelo, <u>Nyssa sylvatica</u> <sup>1</sup>
Sweet Birch <u>Betula lenta</u>	London Planetree, <u>Platanus acerifolia</u>
Paper Birch <u>Betula papyrifera</u>	American Sycamore, <u>Platanus occidentalis</u>
Bitternut Hickory <u>Carya condiformis</u>	White Poplar <u>Populus alba</u>
Red Hickory <u>Carya glabra</u>	Balsam Poplar <u>Populus balsamifera</u>
Shagbark Hickory <u>Carya ovate</u>	Eastern Cottonwood <u>Populus deltoidas</u>
American Chestnut <u>Castanea dentate</u>	Bigtooth Aspen <u>Populus grandidentata</u>
Sugar Hackberry, <u>Celtis laevigata</u>	Lombardy Poplar <u>Populus nigra</u>
Hackberry, <u>Celtis occidentalis</u>	Quaking Aspen <u>Populus tremubides</u>
Catalpa,	Black Cherry <u>Prunus serotina</u>
	White Oak,

Quercus alba<sup>1</sup>  
Swamp White Oak,  
Quercus bicolor  
Scarlet Oak,  
Quercus coccinea<sup>1</sup>  
Shingle Oak,  
Quercus imbricaria  
Chinkapin Oak,  
Quercus muehlenbergii  
Bur Oak,  
Quercus macrocarpa  
Chestnut Oak,  
Quercus prinus  
Chinkapin Oak,  
Quercus muehlenbergii  
Pin Oak,  
Quercus palustris<sup>2</sup>  
Willow Oak,  
Quercus phellos  
Chestnut Oak,  
Quercus prinus  
English Oak,  
Quercus robur  
Red Oak,  
Quercus rubra<sup>1</sup>

Shumard Oak,  
Quercus shumardii  
Black Oak,  
Quercus velutina  
Weeping Willow  
Salix babylonica  
Black Willow  
Salix nigra  
Japanese Pagoda,  
Sophora japonica<sup>4</sup> or  
Styphnolobium japonicum<sup>4</sup>  
Bald Cypress,  
Taxodium distichum  
American Linden,  
Tilia americana  
Littleleaf Linden,  
Tilia cordata  
Crimean Linden,  
Tilia x ecuchlora  
Silver Linden,  
Tilia tomentosa  
Elm, disease resistant,  
Ulmus spp.  
Japanese Zelkova,  
Zelkova serrata

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**Medium Species (30-45 feet high at maturity in a good location):**  
(Not to be planted under high-voltage utility wires)

Hedge Maple,  
Acer campestre  
Boxelder  
Acer negundo  
Red Horsechestnut,  
Aesculus xcarnea<sup>4</sup>  
River Birch,  
Betula nigra  
European Hornbeam,  
Carpinus betulus  
Katsura Tree,  
Cercidiphyllum japonicum  
American Yellowwood,  
Cladrastis lutea<sup>1,4</sup> or

Cladrastis kentukea<sup>1,4</sup>  
Common Persimmon  
Diospyros virginiana  
Hardy Rubber Tree,  
Eucommia ulmoides  
Golden Rain Tree,  
Koelreuteria paniculata<sup>4</sup>  
Osage-Orange  
Maclura pomifera  
Magnolia Hybrids,  
Magnolia sp.<sup>4</sup>  
American Hophornbeam,  
Ostrya virginiana  
Amur Cork Tree,

Phellodendron amurense<sup>1</sup>  
Sawtooth Oak,  
Quercus acutissima  
Sassafras  
Sassafras albidum

Japanese Stewartia,  
Stewartia pseudocamellia<sup>4</sup>  
Lacebark Chinese Elm,  
Ulmus parvifolia

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**Small Species (15-30 feet high at maturity in a good location)**

(To count for Title 37, may only be planted under high-voltage utility wires, where three small trees equals one large shade tree)

Trident Maple,  
Acer buergeranum<sup>1</sup>  
Amur Maple  
Acer ginnala<sup>1</sup>  
Canyon Maple,  
Acer grandidentatum  
Paperbark Maple,  
Acer griseum<sup>1</sup>  
Tatarian Maple,  
Acer tataricum  
Shantung Maple,  
Acer truncatum  
Red Buckeye  
Aesculus pavia<sup>4</sup>  
Serviceberry,  
Amelanchier sp. (tree forms)<sup>1,4</sup>  
Pawpaw  
Asimina triloba  
American Hornbeam,  
Carpinus caroliniana  
Redbud  
Cercis canadensis  
Chinese Fringetree  
Chionanthus retusus  
Virginia Fringetree,  
Chionanthus virginicus<sup>4</sup>  
Hybrid Dogwoods  
Cornus florida x Cornus kousa<sup>4</sup>  
Kousa Dogwood,  
Cornus kousa<sup>1,4</sup>  
Prunus virginiana  
Japanese Snowbell  
Styrax japonicus  
Japanese Tree Lilac,

Cornelian Cherry (dogwood),  
Cornus mas.<sup>4</sup>  
Smoketree,  
Cotinus spp.<sup>4</sup>  
Lavalle Hawthorn,  
Crataegus lavalleyi<sup>4</sup>  
Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn,  
Crataegus crusgalli inermis<sup>1</sup>  
Green Hawthorn,  
Crataegus viridis  
Carolina Silverbell  
Halesia tetraptera  
Witch-Hazel  
Hamamelis virginiana  
Amur Maackia,  
Maackia amurensis  
Magnolia Hybrids (tree form),  
Magnolia spp.<sup>4</sup>  
Red Mulberry  
Morus rubra  
Sourwood,  
Oxydendron arboreum<sup>1,4</sup>  
Pin Cherry  
Prunus pensylvanica  
Sargent Cherry,  
Prunus sargentii<sup>1,4</sup>  
Sand Cherry,  
Prunus spp.<sup>4</sup>  
Choke Cherry  
  
Syringa reticulata<sup>4</sup>  
Pekin Lilac or Peiking Lilac,  
Syringa pekinensis<sup>4</sup> or

*Syringia reticulata* subsp. *pekinensis*  
Blackhaw Viburnum,

*Viburnum prunifolium*<sup>1,4</sup>

Crabapple,

*Malus* spp. (disease resistant)<sup>4</sup>

Weeping Spreading Form: Molten Lava,  
Red Jade, Mary Potter, White Cascade.

Small Spreading Form: *Malus argentii* and  
*M. Sargentii* 'Rosea'.

Large Rounded Form: Donald Wyman,  
Sugar Tyme, *Malus baccata* 'Jackii', Bob  
White.

Upright Form: Sentinel.

Unusual Form: Strawberry Parfait with  
unusual upright spreading erratic growth  
form.

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If in doubt about a particular tree, we recommend you consult with a professional landscaper before. There are also links at our website where more information can be found.

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<sup>1</sup> Noted for Fall color

<sup>2</sup> Only for large areas

<sup>3</sup> Not suitable for the Right of Way

<sup>4</sup> Flowering tree