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## STREET TREE ORDERING & PERMITTING EASTMORELAND TREE COMMITTEE



Since 2022, the Eastmoreland Tree Committee has been helping residents of Eastmoreland order and plant street trees.

If you are interested in planting a street tree (tree in the parking strip between the street and the sidewalk), here are the steps to do so:

- 1) Contact the Tree Committee: [eastmoreland.tree@gmail.com](mailto:eastmoreland.tree@gmail.com). One of the co-chairs will contact you, visit you at your home and discuss your situation including the factors that will affect the kind of tree you can plant in the parking strip:
  - Width of parking strip
  - Presence of overhead high-tension wires
  - Proximity of driveways, stop signs, utility poles, and meter boxes to desired location of tree in the parking strip
  - Available tree species
- 2) You will then need to request a planting permit from the City of Portland at the following website: <https://www.portland.gov/trees/treepermits>. After receiving the request, the City inspects your property to determine if there is adequate space for a tree. If there is, you will be notified. The permitting process often takes several months so it is prudent to request the permit in mid- to late-summer for late-fall planting.
- 3) Finalize your tree selection with the Tree Committee co-chair. The City maintains a list of tree species that are approved for street trees at: <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/street-tree-planting-lists>
- 4) The Tree Committee will place an order in the fall with a local wholesale nursery.
- 5) In late fall or winter, the nursery crew will come to Eastmoreland to plant, mulch, and stake the ordered trees.

The cost of the tree plus planting, mulching, and staking has averaged about \$400/tree. However, if you have a large parking strip (>6' wide), no overhead high-tension wires, and select a large-form tree, the cost of the tree will be fully or partially covered by the Eastmoreland Neighborhood Association (ENA) as part of the **100 TREES FOR 100 YEARS CAMPAIGN**<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>*100 Trees for 100 Years is an ENA campaign to fill empty planting spaces to ensure Eastmoreland gains over one hundred large form, new trees that will live for 100 years or longer. Newly planted street trees that meet the campaign requirements can be partially or fully reimbursed by the ENA. Send an email to [eastmoreland.tree@gmail.com](mailto:eastmoreland.tree@gmail.com) to get more information on this program.*