Marietta Tree Commission

Appendix E
Standing Policies for Tree Removals Paid for by Residents

Permits may be issued for removal of non-hazard trees on occasion when the resident will pay the removal cost for the tree and stump. The situations and stipulations for such removals are given below. One of these statements will be included when the permit for removal is recommended by the Tree Commission.

I. The Tree Commission approves removal of this non-hazard tree in decline to avoid future maintenance costs with the following stipulations:

1. The value of the tree will be determined according to International Society of Arboriculture methodology.
2. The resident must pay for the removal of the tree and stump.
3. Removal must be performed by a tree contractor licensed by the city.
4. The City will plant a replacement tree in the location.

II. The Tree Commission approves removal of this non-hazard sweetgum tree with the following stipulations:

1. The value of the tree will be determined according to International Society of Arboriculture methodology.
2. The resident must pay for the removal of the tree and stump.
3. Removal must be performed by a tree contractor licensed by the city.
4. The City will plant a replacement tree in the location.

III. The Tree Commission approves removal of this non-hazard tree with the following stipulations:

1. The value of the tree will be determined according to International Society of Arboriculture methodology.
2. The resident must pay for the removal of the tree and stump.
3. Removal must be performed by a tree contractor licensed by the city.
4. The resident will pay for a new tree to be planted at this location. The Tree Commission is happy to discuss species options with the resident. The new tree will be planted during the fall and the resident will be billed directly from the nursery. Estimated cost of the new tree and planting is $150.
5. The resident will reimburse the city for the difference between the value of the tree plus previous maintenance costs and the cost of the replacement tree [i.e.; reimbursement = (tree value + maintenance costs) minus the cost of new tree.]