



City of The Colony Adopt-A-Tree Program

This program allows participants to have a tree planted and maintained by the City within public right-of-ways, parks or other City controlled areas to celebrate a special occasions or as a memorial for a friend or family member. A commemorative plaque can be installed with the original planting. ***Please contact city staff at (972) 624-3956 prior to applying for the Adopt a Tree Program for program details.***

Conditions:

1. The City and the donor must mutually agree on the proposed location. Factors such as vehicular and pedestrian traffic, underground and aboveground utilities, property lines, availability of water, and other factors shall be considered.
2. Any tree planted shall be from the approved list maintained by the Parks & Recreation Department. This list shall be developed based on native species, long-term maintenance, degree of hardiness, growth rate, availability, as well as other considerations.
3. All trees will be purchased, installed and maintained by the city through the Parks and Recreation Department. This includes the original planting, replacement if necessary (equal to initial planting size), pruning, pest and fungus control, removal, storm damage repairs, staking, etc.
4. The seasonal planting of new or replacement trees shall occur from November through February, weather permitting.
5. A commemorative plaque may also be purchased at an additional fee of \$100 and can be installed with the original planting. The plaque shall be made of stone, approximately 6"x12", and engraved. Examples of current markers are available upon request. Text for markers is subject to approval by the City.
6. Regarding deciduous versus evergreens, because of dense bushy growth in many cases, and the resultant shading problems in the winter months, the use of evergreen trees is limited to carefully chosen sites and only where the above-mentioned problems can be minimized.
7. Prices of trees may vary depending on species and current pricing from tree farm. Contact Parks and Recreation for current pricing. Fees include installation and lifetime maintenance.
8. Tree sizes are dependent on species and type of container or harvesting method. Typically, for park trees a caliper size of 4 inches is the smallest size allowed in the parks.
9. Approved tree List:

Live Oak
Red Oak
Bald Cypress
Bur Oak
Cedar Elm



Burr Oak

Botanical Name:	Quercus macrocarpa
Plant Type:	Shade Tree
Plant Form:	Upright, Rounded
Light Required:	Full Sun
Water Demand:	Low
Plant Height (ft.):	80'
Plant Spread (ft.):	70'



Shumard (Red) Oak (fall color)

Botanical Name:	Quercus shumardii
Plant Type:	Shade Tree
Plant Form:	Rounded
Light Required:	Full Sun
Water Demand:	Low
Plant Height (ft.):	80'
Plant Spread (ft.):	80'



Live Oak

Botanical Name:	Quercus virginiana
Plant Type:	Shade Tree
Plant Form:	Oval
Light Required:	Full Sun
Water Demand:	Low
Plant Height (ft.):	50'
Plant Spread (ft.):	60'



Bald Cypress

Botanical Name:	Taxodium distichum
Plant Type:	Shade Tree
Plant Form:	Pyramidal
Light Required:	Full Sun
Water Demand:	Medium, drought tolerant
Plant Height (ft.):	80'
Plant Spread (ft.):	50'



Cedar Elm

Botanical Name:	Ulmus crassifolia
Plant Type:	Shade Tree
Plant Form:	Upright, spreading
Light Required:	Full Sun
Water Demand:	Low
Plant Height (ft.):	80'
Plant Spread (ft.):	60'

TC Adopt-A-Tree Application

(Please print or type)

Date: _____

Donor Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Location for tree planting: _____

Donor Signature: _____

Dedication Plaque (Cost per plaque \$100): Yes No

Suggest text for plaque:

Tabulation (for office use):

Tree Species:	Size	Qty	Price	Subtotal	Plaque	Cost	Line Total
_____	4" caliper	_____	\$500 ea.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$100 ea.	_____
Grand Total							_____

Return this form to:

City of The Colony Parks & Recreation Dept., 5151 North Colony Blvd, The Colony, Texas 75056
Phone: (972) 624-3956 Email: emorgan@thecolonytx.gov