

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
County of Somerset

ORDINANCE No. 2015- 24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXI, LAND USE, SUBSECTION 21-9.15 "DESIGN STANDARDS FOR ALL ZONES," OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection 21-9.15, "Design Standards for all Zones," of Section 21-9, Subdivision and Sign Plan Review, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bound Brook is hereby amended and supplemented by deleting the text **[marked in bold and enclosed in brackets]** and inserting the text **underlined and marked in bold**, to read as follows:

24-9.15 Design Standards for all Zones

d. Landscaping Plan.

15. Recommended Tree Species and Selection and Planting Criteria.

d. Trees shall not be planted near obstructions such as overhangs, telephone poles, utility pipes and fire hydrants. Trees designated for under wire use in the latest edition of *Trees for New Jersey Streets*, a publication of the New Jersey Shade Tree Federation, Blake Hall, 93 Lipman Drive, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901, www.njstf.org, may be planted under electric utilities. Only the subset of trees meeting the site's planting strip width constraint and overhead power line constraints are acceptable.

Acceptable Species and Cultivars of Deciduous Shade Trees.

Acceptable species and cultivars of major, deciduous shade trees shall include **[those identified in the latest edition of *Trees for New Jersey Streets*. Only the subset of trees meeting the site's planting strip width constraint and overhead power line constraints are acceptable]**

Ash (Crown width of Ash is generally similar to height)

Newport Ash (*Fraxinus lanceolata* Newport – 50'-60' h)

Greenspire Brand American Ash (*Fraxinus americana* Greenspire – 60'-70' h)

Autumn Purple Ash, seedless (*Fraxinus americana* Rosehill – 60'-70' h)

Patmore Ash (*Fraxinus americana* Patmore – 50'-60' h)

Summit Ash (*Fraxinus americana* Summit – 50'-60' h)

White Ash Fraxinus americana

Linden (Crown width is generally about 1/2 to 2/3 height)

Greenspire Littleleaf Linden (*Tilia cordata* Greenspire – 60'-70' h)

Green Mountain Silver Linden (*Tilia tomentosa* Green Mountain – 50'-60' h)

Crimean Linden (*Tilia euchlora* – 40'-60' h)

Redmont Linden (*Tilia americana* Redmont – 65'-75' h)

Locust

Thornless honey Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) in downtown historic district only – not in parking lots

Maples (Crown width is generally slightly less than or equal to height)

Red or Scarlet Maple (*Acer rubrum* – 50'-75' h)

Red Sunset Maple (*Acer rubrum* Red Sunset Maple – 50'-60' h)

*Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* – 50'-75' h, width 2/3's

*Green Mountain Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* Green Mountain – 50'-75' h)

*Bonfire Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* "Bonfire," – 50'-70' h)

Acceptable Species and Cultivars of Deciduous Shade Trees – Continued
Oak (Crown width is generally comparable to or slightly greater than height)

Northern Red Oak (*Quercus borealis* [rubrum] – 75'-95' h)

White Oak (*Quercus alba* – 80'-90' h, 50'-80' spread)

Sawtooth Oak (*Quercus acutissima* – 75'-90' h)

Scarlet Oak (*Quercus coccinea* – 75'-90' h)

Shingle Oak (*Quercus imbricaria* – 65'-75' h)

Shumard Oak (*Quercus shumardii* – 75'-90' h)

****Pin Oak**

(*Quercus palustris* – 75'-100' h)

Because of its low-branching effect, which ultimately becomes dead branches, pin oaks do not make good shade trees around parking lots.

Also known as Swamp Oaks, Pin Oaks like wet soils and are excellent candidates for planting along wetland borders, stream corridors, etc., or within lawn areas.

****Willow Oak**

(*Quercus phellos* – 50'-70' h)

These have similar characteristics to Pin Oaks.

Zelkova (Crown width is generally equal to height)

The *Zelkova* is similar to our native Elm and thrives in urban settings.

Green Vase *Zelkova* (*Zelkova serrata* Green Vase – 60'-70' h)

Japanese *Zelkova* (*Zelkova serrata* – 50'-60' h)

Village Green *Zelkova* (*Zelkova serrata* Village Green – 50'-60' h)

Ohio Lacebark elm, *Ulmus parvifolia* "Ohio"

Hackberry, *Celtis* spp.

Kentucky coffeetree *Gymnocladus dioica*

Ginkgo *Ginkgo biloba* (male only)

Blackgum Nyssa sylvatica

[NOTES:]

*Not acceptable for parking lot use

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Non-acceptable Species of Deciduous Shade Trees

Pear

Bradford Callery Pear (Pyrus calleryana Bradford – 25'-35' h)

Capital Pear (Pyrus calleryana Capital – 35'-40' h)

Redspire Pear (Pyrus calleryana Redspire – 30'-35' h)

Whitehouse Pear (Pyrus calleryana Whitehouse – 30'-35' h)

Honeylocust

All forms of Thornless Honeylocusts, such as Gleditsia triacanthos inermis Shademaster – 60'-70' h)

Marshall's Seedless Ash

No longer "seedless." This tree now appears to be producing seeds.

Norway Maple

(Acer platanoides)

The roots of the Norway Maple (regular or columnar) grow near the surface and can uproot sidewalks. Invasive, non-native.

Silver Maple

Similar to Norway Maple. Silver Maples are susceptible to various insects and diseases. The tree has very weak branches.

Sycamore

Platanus acerifolia orientalis – 70'-80' h)

Also known as the London Planetree, Sycamores do not make good shade trees since they provide only light shade and drop large seed pods.

Acceptable Varieties of Landscaping Trees

SECTION 2. Severability Clause.

If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

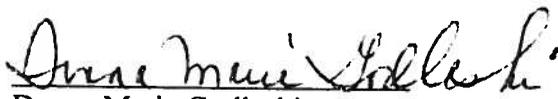
SECTION 3. Repealer.

All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Ordinances of the Borough are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect, following adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

ATTEST:


Donna Marie Godleski
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

By: 
Mayor Robert P. Fazen

Date of Introduction: August 11, 2015

Date of Adoption: August 25, 2015