Prohibited Tree Species for Planting in the Public Right-of-way Mount Vernon, Iowa

The following trees and their cultivars shall not be planted on the public right-of-way, on public property within, or as part of required landscaping within the City Limits of Mount Vernon Iowa. Additionally, it is recommended that these trees are not planted on private property within the City. Trees with mature heights greater than or equal to 25' are restricted from being planted in locations under overhead utility lines. Trees will only be permitted to be planted in the Right-of-Way if the width of the parkway is 4' wide or greater. Trees are not recommended to be planted at spacings tighter than 40' on center between both existing and replacement trees. All trees planted within the Right-of-Way are subject to the review and approval of the City Administrator, Chris Nosbisch.

Prohibited Trees

Common Name	Scientific Name
Ash (All species and cultivars)	Fraxinus sp.
Austree /Hybrid Willow	Salix alba x matsudana
Birch, White/Paper	Betula papyrifera
Black Locust	Robinia pseduoacacia
Boxelder	Acer negundo
Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa
Conifers (all evergreen species)	Many
Cottonwood	Populus deltoides
Elm, Siberian	Ulmus pumila
Empress Tree/Princess Tree	Paulownia tomentosa
Fruit and Nut trees with fruit/nuts over 1" in diameter	(apple, plum, etc.)
Maple, Red (All hybrids and cultivars)	Acer rubrum
Maple, Silver (All hybrids and cultivars)	Acer saccharinum
Mountain Ash	Sorbus americana
Mulberry (All species and cultivars)	Morus sp.
Multi-Stem/Clump Form Trees	
Pear (All species and cultivars)	Pyrus sp.
Poplar (All species and cultivars)	Populus sp.

Russian Olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia
Sumac	Rhus sp.
Tree of Heaven	Ailanthus altissima
Trees with thorns on the main stem or lower canopy	
Walnut	Juglans nigra
Willow (All species and cultivars)	Salix sp.
Woody, bushy shrubs	