

Mill Creek Special Service Area Parkway Tree Replacement Program

The Mill Creek Special Service Area will continue to replace dead or diseased parkway trees within Mill Creek.

Removal of Dead or Diseased Parkway Trees:

- Scheduling of removal of dead or diseased parkway trees is based on seasonal weather conditions.
- Stumps remaining from cut down trees will be ground down, but most likely not on the day of tree removal and is dependent on ground conditions, i.e., muddy conditions can bog down stump grinding machinery, etc.
- Two areas of focus are:
 - Residential parkway areas.
 - Any trees in public spaces, other than resident's personal trees, that have expired and are deemed a safety hazard.

Planting of New Trees:

- Parkway trees scheduled to be planted in residential parkways will be done during appropriate seasonal time frames corresponding with optimal weather conditions for tree planting.

Program Guidelines:

- Trees reported as "dead" are subject to evaluation by certified personnel.
- Specific planting sites of parkway trees are subject to location of utilities. If on the day of planting, the tree will interfere with underground utilities, the contractor has the authority to adjust the placement to meet J.U.L.I.E. requirements.
- Trees are approximately 3" in diameter at time of planting.
- Alternating varieties of trees are utilized. Tree selections, per site, are pre-determined by the SSA, not resident's choice, to ensure that each neighborhood has a variety of species present.
- Newly installed trees receive water bags (referred to as "gator bags").
- Water bags are monitored and maintained by the Mill Creek Special Service Area. However, if you have received a new tree and notice that the bag could use replenishing, especially in hot weather, we are not adverse to residents filling the bags in order to assist in helping to keep newly installed trees healthy.

PLEASE NOTE: Concerns regarding dead or diseased parkway trees can be directed to MillCreekSSA@co.kane.il.us