

**City of Mt. Pulaski**  
**POLICY FOR PLANTING NEW TREES ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY**

1. You must have approval from the City Arborist, et al.
2. Have a J.U.L.I.E. locate before planting (Call 811)
3. Proof of purchase of tree. The City will reimburse the resident for the cost of the tree or \$50.00 which ever is less.
4. The resident planting the tree is responsible for watering and fertilizing.
5. A tree cannot be planted closer than 35 feet to an existing tree.
6. The tree must be at least 6 feet away from a driveway or sidewalk, at least 10 feet from a street lamp and at least 20 feet from an intersection.
7. **THE FOLLOWING TREES MAY NOT BE PLANTED:**  
(City Ordinance – 8-4-5 A)

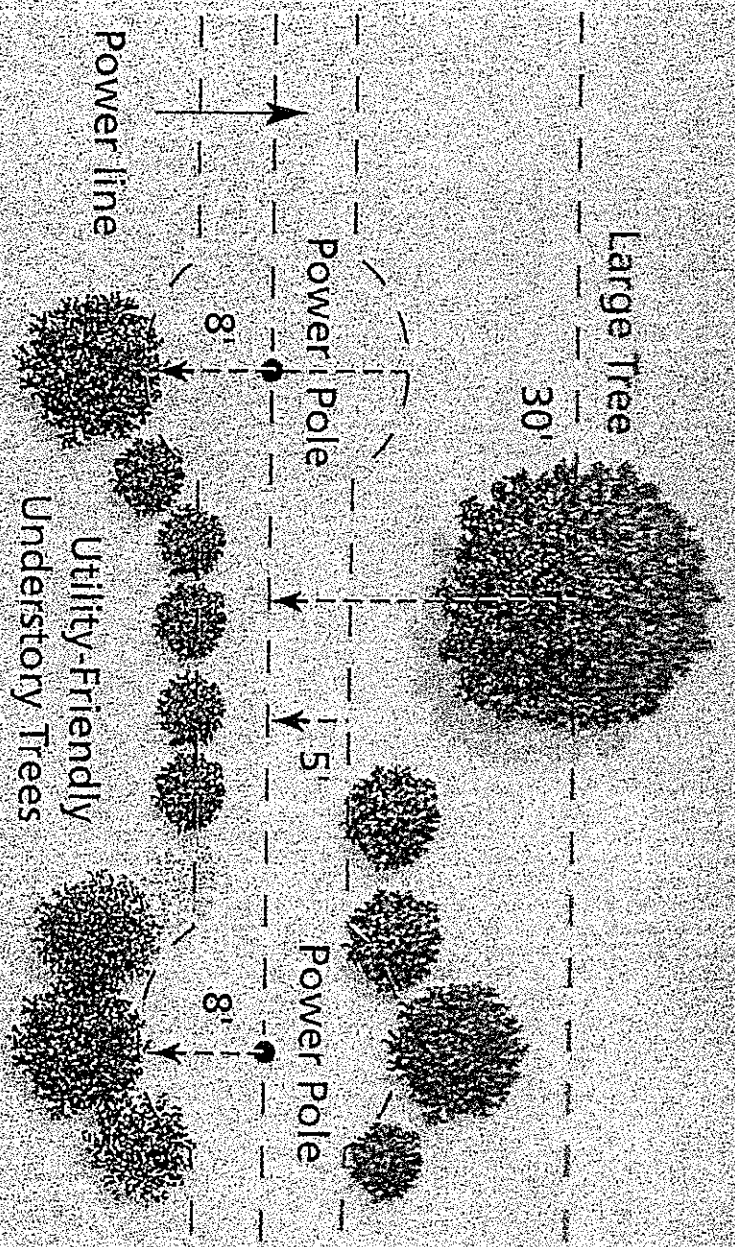
- 1) Poplar
- 2) Silver Maple
- 3) Box Elder
- 4) Chinese Elm
- 5) Black Locust
- 6) Willow
- 7) Honey Locust (with thorns)
- 8) Catalpa
- 9) Ailanthus (Tree of heaven)
- 10) Cottonwood
- 11) Mulberry
- 12) Any fruit bearing tree
- 13) Sweet Gum
- 14) All Pine Trees

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Exceptions to these varieties may be made by the Arborist, et al, as some new hybrid varieties of these trees are now being developed without thorns, non-bearing fruit or dwarfed.

# Planting Near Utility Lines

Plant only utility-friendly trees (mature height of 20 feet or less) within 15 feet of utility lines; no closer than 8 feet to power poles; and 5 feet from center of utility easement when access to utility is limited.



Some narrow-shaped trees may be able to survive closer than 30 feet to utility lines without creating a conflict, but in no case should trees that grow to or above utility lines be planted closer than a distance equal to one-half their mature spread. Suggested tree setbacks from power lines are for typical overhead residential distribution lines and do not apply to high-voltage transmission rights-of-way.