





# Town of Sullivan's Island

Sullivan's Island, South Carolina

## TREE COMMISSION APPLICATION

### TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND ZONING ORDINANCE

#### Article XVII Tree Commission

#### Sec. 21-164. Tree Replacement Plan.

##### A. Tree replacement required.

- 1) An approved Tree Replacement Plan prepared by the applicant shall be an integral part of all tree removal permits.
- 2) The Tree Commission shall approve the Tree Replacement Plan for Category I trees. The Zoning Administrator shall approve the Tree Replacement Plan for Category II trees. Working with the landowner, the Zoning Administrator shall approve the relocation of palmettos on private property.

##### B. Replacement procedure.

- 1) Tree replacement shall be required for all approved tree removals based on the requirement of replacing **one (1) linear inch of tree DBH for each one (1) linear inch of tree DBH removed. Replacement trees shall be from the approved tree list, except that replacement for the removal of oaks, magnolias, pecan and red cedar trees shall be with the same kind of tree**, as determined by the Zoning Administrator or Tree Commission, as applicable.
- 2) Each replacement tree shall have a minimum of **two (2) inches caliper and be at least ten (10) feet tall**. However, any permitted removal of a Sabal Palmetto will require replacement by a Sabal Palmetto at least 8 feet tall.
- 3) All replacement trees shall be of healthy, vibrant stock, in accordance with American Standards for Nursery Stock of the American Association of Nurserymen.
- 4) The applicant is responsible for maintenance of the replacement trees and palmettos and for replacement of these trees and palmettos if they die within one (1) year of planting.
- 5) In cases where tree replacement on the same lot is not possible or desirable, the landowner may donate to the Tree Fund an equivalent sum of money for the future purchase of public trees or donate a number of trees of the equivalent mass and quality as those removed to be planted on public property of the Town.
- 6) It shall be required that tree replacement be accomplished within a time limit according to the earliest time possible for replacement as set by the Zoning Administrator or the Tree Commission.

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY SULLIVAN'S ISLAND TOWN STAFF:

#### **TYPE OF REQUEST:**

- DEAD, DISEASED, DAMAGED, DECLINE OR HAZARD- Certified Arborist/Forester report required
- TREE COMMISSION APPROVED - Trees equal to or greater than 16" dbh
- EMERGENCY REMOVAL- STAFF ORDER (Immanent danger to life, safety, property, or a result of a natural disaster - ***Zoning Ordinance Section 21-167***)

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS/CONDITIONS \_\_\_\_\_

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ZONING ADMINISTRATOR/ ISA ARBORIST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_