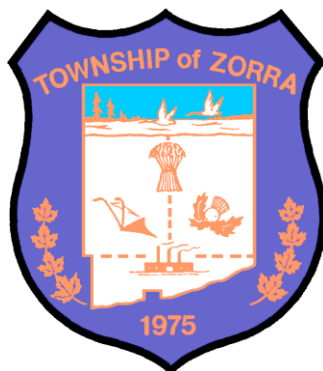


Township of Zorra



Planting & Removal of Trees By-law

Office Consolidation

**Amending By-laws
By-law No. 39-07**

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**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA**



BY-LAW NO. 21-01

**BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE PLANTING AND
REMOVAL OF TREES ON ANY HIGHWAY IN THE
TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.45, S 312 (4) authorizes the Council of every municipality to authorize and regulate the planting of shade or ornamental trees upon a highway, for preserving trees, for prohibiting the injuring or destroying of trees, and authorizes any officer or committee of Council to remove decayed or dangerous trees or trees that have by by-law of the municipality been directed to be removed;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
ZORRA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. In this By-Law:

“highway” or **“highways”** means all allowances for roads made by the Crown Surveyors, all highways laid out or established under the authority of any statute, all roads on which public money has been expended for opening them or on which status labour has been usually performed, all roads dedicated by the owner of the land to public uses, and all alterations and deviations of and all bridges over any such allowance for road, highway or road, are common and public highways in the Township of Zorra.”

“improved highway” means a **highway** that has been reconstructed or rebuilt and shall be determined by the Director of Public Works.

2. That the Township of Zorra Council hereby authorizes the Director of Public Works to supervise and authorize the planting trees on **improved highways** and/or removal of trees on **highways** and **improved highways** under the jurisdiction of the Council of the Township of Zorra.

3. (a) Trees planted for shade or ornamental purposes along any **improved highway** shall be not more than two feet inside the property line marking the boundary of the road allowance and shall not be planted within two hundred feet of the intersection of any road allowances as approved by the Director of Public Works.
- (b) Along **improved highways**, trees should be planted at spacing of 25 m – 30 m depending on available space.
- (c) Planting of trees will be prohibited in areas that present future maintenance problems, such as overhead wires or underground services. No trees shall be planted on the same side of a road allowance where hydro or communication lines are located.
- (d) Planting of trees will be prohibited within 50 m of any known Municipal, Award or Private Drainage System.
- (e) Planting of trees will be prohibited within 6 m of a driveway, sidewalk, or underground vault.

- (f) Planting of trees will be prohibited within 15 – 20 m of a streetlight or fire hydrant.
 - (g) Tree species will be in accordance with Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
4. No person shall injure or destroy any tree or trees growing on either side of a highway until they have first obtained the written approval of the Director of Public Works to remove or cut down the said tree or trees.
 5. (a) The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to remove decayed or dangerous trees growing on the highways under the jurisdiction of the Township of Zorra. *(amended by By-law No. 39-07)*

(b) Following the removal of any trees by municipal or contracted, adjacent landowners shall be contacted to determine if a replacement tree is required. Should the property owner request a replacement tree, the Township shall deliver a tree (species of tree set out in Schedule “A” attached hereto) for the owner to plant and maintain.” *(added by By-law No. 39-07)*
 6. Trees planted on private property are the sole responsibility of the property owner
 7. Any person convicted of a breach of any of the provisions of this by-law shall forfeit and pay, at the discretion of the convicting court, a penalty not exceeding exclusive of costs, the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offence and the provisions of the Municipal Act and Provincial Offences Act shall apply thereto.
 8. This By-law shall come into force and take effect from and after the date of final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 1ST day of MAY, 2001.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED TIME THIS 1ST day of MAY, 2001.

**MAYOR
WILLIAM SEMENIUK, JR.**

**CLERK ADMINISTRATOR
DONALD W. MACLEOD**

SCHEDULE "A"
TO BY-LAW 21-01

Large Native Shade Trees (large frontage lots – 50' +, boulevards with no utility wires or buried services)

Ash – Green	FRAXINUS PENNSYLVANICA
– White	FRAXINUS AMERICANA
Crimson King Maple	ACER PLATANDIDES "CRIMSON KING"
Sugar Maple	ACER SACCHARUM
Norway Maple	ACER PLATANDIDES "DEBORAH"
Bur Oak	QUERCUS MACROCARPA
Red Oak	QUERCUS RUBRA
Black Oak	QUERCUS VELUTINA
White Oak	QUERCUS ALBA