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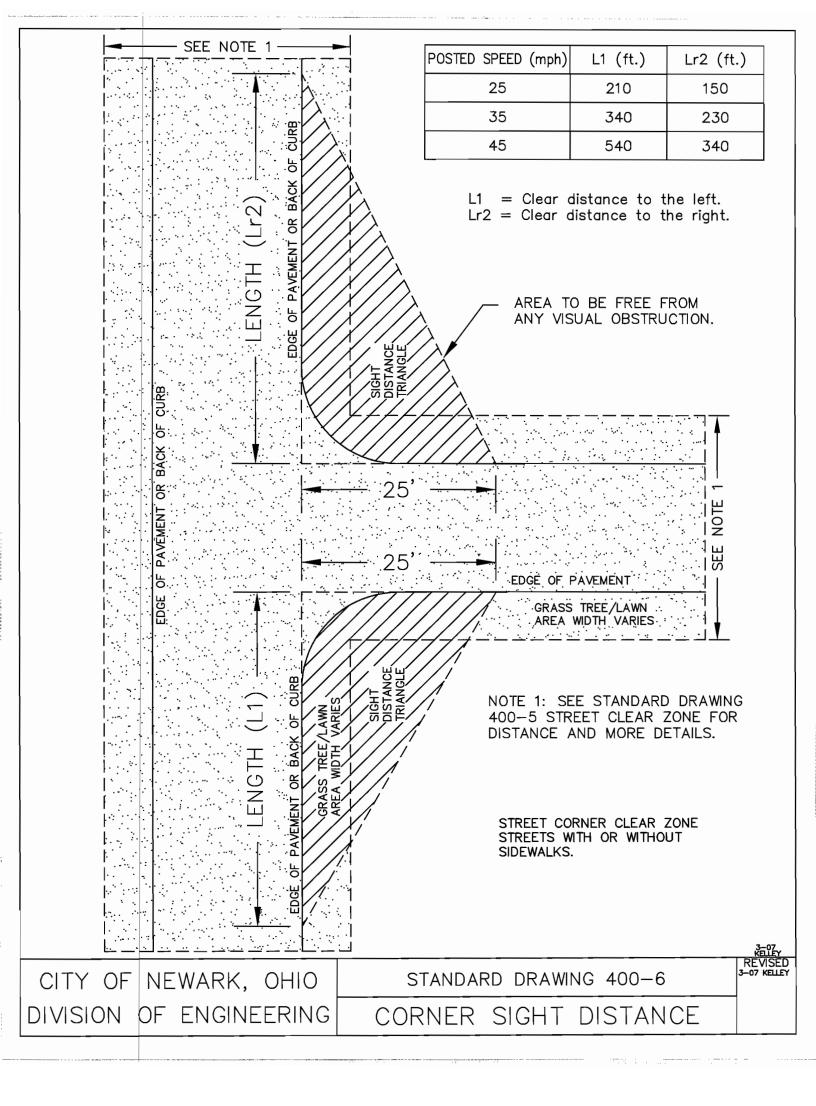
CITY OF NEWARK TREE TRIMMING

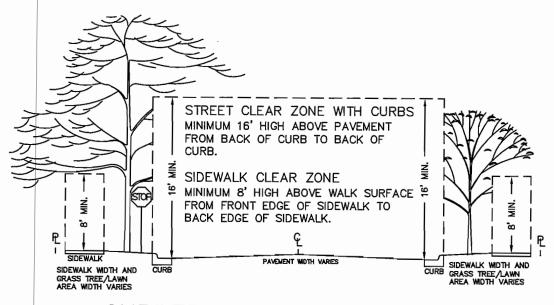
NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Beginning August 1, 2017, the City of Newark will increase its enforcement efforts regarding traffic visibility obstructions. Traffic visibility obstructions caused by plant and tree overgrowth (low-hanging limbs, plant materials, and shrubs) that are interfering with street lights, signs, fire hydrants, alleys, sidewalks, or intersections, may result in code enforcement upon the property owner. Therefore, property owners are asked to trim shrubs and trees next to streets and alleys so that minimum overhang distances are as follows:

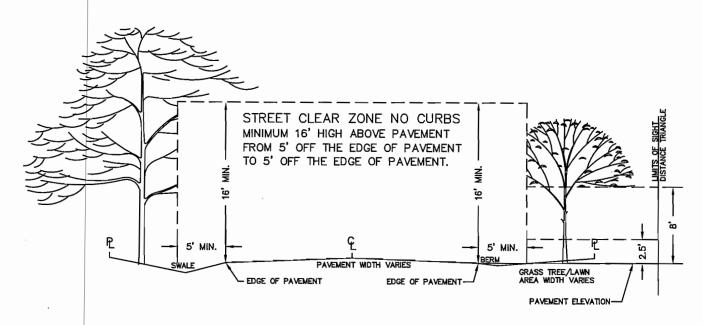
- Tree overhang (from sidewalk, vertical to the lowest growth) is at least eight (8) feet above the sidewalk.
- Tree overhang (from improved roadway, vertical to the lowest growth) is at least (16) sixteen feet above the street.

Please note, Right-of-Way Permits (free-of-charge) must be obtained prior to trimming by streets and alleys. Tree ordinances, diagrams, and a Right-of-Way Application, are located on the City's website at www.newarkohio.net under Hot Topics. Right-of-Way Permit questions should be directed to the City of Newark Engineering Department by calling (740)670-7727 Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm. For further information regarding tree trimming code enforcement, or to report a visibility issue, please call the City of Newark Streets/Traffic Department at (740)670-7740 Monday through Friday 7:00am to 3:30pm.





CURBED STREETS OR ALLEYS



UNCURBED STREETS OR ALLEYS

NOTE: SEE STANDARD DRAWING 400-6 CORNER SIGHT DISTANCE FOR DETAILS ON STREET CORNER CLEAR ZONES.

CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO STANDARD DRAWING 400-5

DIVISION OF ENGINEERING STREET CLEAR ZONE



City of Newark, Ohio Department of Public Service, Division of Engineering PERMIT FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

PERMIT #_

Applicant Name:				
Applicant Address:	Phone No:			
E-Mail:	Fax No:			
A permit is requested to use	at the following exact location of (Street Name)			
	iod beginning atam/pm on (Time) (Date) (Date) (Date) (Date)			
The use described above will involve t	<u>:he following:</u>			
☐ Close the Street ☐ Close(Di	lane(s) of traffic ☐ Close Alley irection & number)			
□ Close Sidewalk(s) on(Direction, C	ne, Both) side(s) of the street.			
□ Restrict Parking on(Direction, One, Bo	side(s) Parking Space #			
☐ Operate oversize/overweight vehicle	e on the street: ODOT Special Hauling Permit #			
Will any work require cutting a sidewa	lk or street pavement? ☐ Yes ☐ No (if Yes, see Page 2)			
□ Concrete Placement – Curb / Sidew inspection of forms prior to pla	ralk / Driveway – Call Engineering (740-670-7727) to schedule acing concrete.			
The following materials and informatio	n are attached to this permit request:			
☐ Construction Drawings ☐ Tra	affic Control or Detour Plan Route of convoy			
☐ Other (please explain):				
☐ Estimated Completion Date:				
attachments are true and accurate to t standards, regulations, ordinances of t	that the information provided herein and contained on any the best of my/our knowledge. I/We agree to abide by all laws, the City of Newark and the State of Ohio. I/We understand that result in revocation of this permit. I/We accept all and full liability			
Applicant's Signature				

Revised 1-7-2009 1 The permit is hereby approved for the request as submitted upon the conditions set forth on this form and as stated on the second page of this application.

Permit	Expires:				
	Date	_			
		Date:			
	City Engineer				
		Date:			
	Director of Public Service				
Origina CC:	I to Applicant ☐ Service Director ☐ Safety Director ☐ ☐ Police ☐ Fire	Engineer □ Water Admin □ Street/Traffic Control			
to cor		red as a condition of this permit and failure on and/or other penalties as determined by			
1.	Traffic control shall be per the Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, latest edition, and other applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code and Codified Ordinances of the City of Newark, Ohio. The contractor shall provide, erect and remove all signs, barricades and other necessary traffic control devices to warn and/or detour traffic around construction work. All traffic control shall be in place prior to any work activities.				
2.	. Street pavement and sidewalk replacement, including trench fill material shall conform to the standards and specifications of the City current on the date of approval of this permit. The City Engineer shall determine the thickness and composition of the pavement.				
3.	The applicant shall notify all utilities and the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (1-800-362-2764) no less than 48 hours prior to any excavation activities. (ORC 153.64)				
4.	The applicant shall restore all areas disturbed by his/her operations to their original, or better condition, insofar as practical.				
5.	. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the Newark Police Department (740-670-7200) and to pay any applicable fees for special duty law enforcement officers. A minimum of 72 hours notice is required.				
6.	A copy of this permit must be placed on site during the hours of activity that was stated on the permit application.				
7.	Special Permit Conditions:				
	lowing phone numbers are provided for y wark City Departments	our convenience: Public Utilities			
Safety City En Police I Street I Traffic	Director740-670-7702 Director740-670-7713 gineer740-670-7727 Department740-670-7200 Department740-670-7734 Control740-670-7737 onter740-349-6758	The Energy Cooperative1-800-255-6815 Windstream1-800-362-2764 Columbia Gas1-800-344-4077 Time Warner Cable1-800-934-4181 American Electric Power1-800-362-2764 Ohio Utilities Protection Service 1-800-362-2764 (Free Service)			

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1028 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, TO MODIFY PROVISIONS FOR THE REMOVAL OR TRIMMING OF ANY TREE, SHRUB OR OTHER PLANTING WHEN SUCH REMOVAL WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR PUBLIC SAFETY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Traffic Control Division, hereinafter called Traffic Control, within the Department of Public Service, has been entrusted with the responsibility for the identification of tree, shrub or other planting located upon or above a public that constitute a hazard to public health or public safety; and

WHEREAS, Traffic Control, when such identification indicates that removal or trimming will beneficial to the continued public health or public safety, has been responsible for the notification of the property owner on whose property the offending tree, shrub or other planting is located and advise the property owner(s) of his/her responsibility to remove or trim the offending tree, shrub or other planting; and

WHEREAS, not all property owner(s) so notified have complied with the requirement to trim or remove the offending tree, shrub or other planting; and

WHEREAS, such failure to comply causes the continued public health or public safety to be at risk and causes the City of Newark to be at risk due to the failure to cause compliance with the requirement to trim or remove the offending tree, shrub or other planting; and

WHEREAS, the Service Committee of Newark City Council considered this ordinance amendment on September 25, 2006 and recommended that it be considered by the full Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, COUNTY OF LICKING, AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1028 TREES, SHRUBS, AND PLANTS BE AMENDED AS SET FORTH BELOW;

1028.001 **DEFINITIONS.**

- (k) "Shrubs" shall mean any low woody plant having several stems but no single trunk and being planted singularly or in groups.
- (i) "Other plantings" shall mean any type plant or vegetation having no permanent woody stem, including flowers and ornamental grasses, and of no specific height.

1028.01 TREES, SHRUBS OR OTHER PLANTINGS; DUTY OF OWNER TO TRIM

No owner of any tree, shrub or other plantings located between the property line and the curb line of the street shall permit any overgrowth to extend over any part of the traveled portion of the street or sidewalk. Such trees, shrubs or other plantings shall be trimmed (including removal of limbs, branches, etc.) by the owner so that the growth is not less than eight feet above the surface of the sidewalk. The owner shall also remove all dead or dangerous

portions of such tree, shrub or other plantings and shall cut down and remove any tree, shrub or other plantings so located that are dead or decayed.

NOTICE TO TRIM; EQUITABLE REMEDY.

- (a) The Director of Public Service shall cause to be published in one newspaper in the City, sometime during the first three months of each year, a notice to property owners to trim trees, shrubs or other plantings in accordance with Section 1028.01. (1969 Code Sec. 95.22)
- (b) No change to this.

1028.03 PLANTING AND TRIMMING PERMIT REQUIRED.

change wording to read...."cut or otherwise disturb any tree, shrub or other planting in any public place without first".....

1028.04 REMOVAL REQUIRED.

Add...."of the abutting property the removal of all or any part of any tree, shrub or other planting, which, in his judgment".....

1028.05 AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR TO TRIM OR REMOVE

- (a) The Director of Public Service is hereby authorized to remove or trim or cause to be removed or trimmed any tree, shrub or other plantings located upon or above a public place when such removal will be beneficial to the public health or safety or for public improvements.
- (b) When in the opinion of the Director of Public Service or his/her designee, such tree, shrub or other plantings constitutes an immediate threat to public health or safety, the Director of Public Service or his/her designee is hereby authorized to immediately remove or trim or cause to be removed or trimmed the offending tree, shrub or other plantings without prior notification of the property owner. A door hanging tag shall be left on the main entry door of the premises where the immediate work has been done, if accessible. If it is determined the property owner is not the occupant of the home, a separate letter stating the nature of the work performed at no expense to the property owner shall be mailed to the property owner at his/her home address.
- (c) When in the opinion of the Director of Public Service or his/her designee such tree, shrub or other plantings does not constitute an immediate threat to public health or safety, the Director of Public Service or his/her designee is hereby authorized to advise the occupant(s) of the property on which the offending tree, shrub or other plantings is located, of the need to remove or trim by placing a door hanging tag on the main entry door of the premises, if accessible. The Director of Public Service or his/her designee shall then follow up within five (5) working days by mail notification to the property owner of the requirement for trimming or removal and the reason for such request. The property owner shall be permitted fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the mailed notification to comply with the requirement for trimming or removal. Should the property owner fail to comply by the end of the fifteenth

(15th) calendar day, the Director of Public Service or his/her designee shall cause such work to be performed by either City of Newark personnel or by a professional service. The property owner shall be billed by the Director of Public Service, at a rate to be determined and published yearly in conjunction with Section 1028.02(a) public notification requirements.

- (d) Collection methods for failure to pay any billed charges shall be governed under the laws set forth in the ORC.
- (e) The Director of Public Service may, at his/her discretion, waive the requirements of 1028.05(b) and 1028.05(c) in the event the proper authorities declare a public emergency or state of emergency. In the event such an emergency is declared, the City of Newark may elect to absorb the cost of trimming or removal.

1028.07 POWERS OF NEWARK TREE COMMISSION.

Add in (a) for the care, selection, preservation, trimming, planting, replanting, removal or disposition of trees and shrubs and other plantings in public ways, streets

1028.09 ABUSE OR MUTILATION OF PUBLIC TREES, SHRUBS OR OTHER PLANTINGS.

Add...."no person shall intentionally damage, cut, carve, transplant or remove any tree or shrub or other planting(s); attach any rope, wire, nails, advertising posters or other contrivance to any tree or shrub or other planting(s); allow any gaseous liquid or solid substance which is harmful to such trees or shrubs or other planting(s) to come into contact with them; or set any fire or permit any fire to burn when such fire or the heat thereof will injure any portion of any tree or shrub or other planting(s)."

1028.10 and 1028.11

Add....or other planting(s) to any reference to trees or shrubs.

Adopted this <u>2nd</u> day of _	<u>October</u>	
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DATE APPROVED BY MAYOR:	October 3, 2006	
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Prepared by the Office of the Director of Public Service

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sidewalk. Such trees, shrubs or other plantings shall be trimmed (including removal of limbs, branches,

etc.) by the owner so that the growth is not less than eight feet above the surface of the sidewalk.

owner shall also remove all dead or dangerous portions of such tree, shrub or other plantings and shall

cut down and remove any tree, shrub or other plantings so located that are dead or decayed. (1969 Code Sec. 95.20) (Ord. 06-53. Passed 10-2-06.)

1028.02 NOTICE TO TRIM; EQUITABLE REMEDY.

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(a) The Director of Public Service shall cause to be published in one newspaper in the City, sometime during the first three months of each year, a notice to property owners to trim trees, shrubs or

other plantings in accordance with Section 1028.01.

(1969 Code Sec. 95.22)

(Ord. 06-53. Passed 10-2-06.)

(b) If the owner of any tree fails to comply with Section 1028.01 by May 1 of each year, or with Section 1028.04 within a reasonable time after order, the Director shall cause such work to be done, at

the expense of the property owner. Such remedy shall be in addition to the penalty in Section 1028.99.

1028.03 PLANTING AND TRIMMING PERMIT REQUIRED.

No person shall plant, set out, move, spray, brace, trim, perform surgery on, cut or otherwise disturb

any tree, shrub or other planting in any public place without first obtaining a work permit from the

Director of Public Service as provided for in Chapter 1022.

(Ord. 74-40. Passed 6-3-74; Ord. 06-53. Passed 10-2-06.)

1028.04 REMOVAL REQUIRED.

The Director of Public Service may require of the owner of the abutting property the removal of all

or any part of any tree, shrub or other planting, which, in his judgment, endangers the public good. No

person shall fail to comply with an order made under this section.

(1969 Code Sec. 95.24)(Ord. 06-53. Passed 10-2-06.)

1028.05 AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR TO TRIM OR REMOVE.

(a) The Director of Public Service is hereby authorized to remove or trim or cause to be removed or trimmed any tree, shrub or other plantings located upon or above a public place when such removal

will be beneficial to the public health or safety or for public improvements.

(b) When in the opinion of the Director of Public Service or his or her designee, such tree, shrub or

other plantings constitutes an immediate threat to public health or safety, the Director of Public Service

or his or her designee is hereby authorized to immediately remove or trim or cause to be removed or

trimmed the offending tree, shrub or other plantings without prior notification of the property owner. A

door hanging tag shall be left on the main entry door of the premises where the immediate work has

been done, if accessible. If it is determined the property owner is not the occupant of the home, a separate letter stating the nature of the work performed at no expense to the property owner shall be

mailed to the property owner at his or her home address.

(c) When in the opinion of the Director of Public Service or his or her designee such tree, shrub or

other plantings does not constitute an immediate threat to public health or safety, the Director of Public

Service or his or her designee is hereby authorized to advise the occupant(s) of the property on which

the offending tree, shrub or other plantings is located, of the need to remove or trim by placing a door

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hanging tag on the main entry door of the premises, if accessible. The Director of Public Service or his

or her designee shall then follow up within five working days by mail notification to the property

of the requirement for trimming or removal and the reason for such request. The property owner shall be

permitted fifteen calendar days from the date of the mailed notification to comply with the requirement

for trimming or removal. Should the property owner fail to comply by the end of the fifteenth (15th)

calendar day, the Director of Public Service or his or her designee shall cause such work to be performed by either City of Newark personnel or by a professional service. The property owner shall be

billed by the Director of Public Service, at a rate to be determined and published yearly in conjunction

with Section 1028.02(a) public notification requirements.

- (d) Collection methods for failure to pay any billed charges shall be governed under the laws set forth in the ORC.
- (e) The Director of Public Service may, at his or her discretion, waive the requirements of 1028.05
- (b) and 1028.05(c) in the event the proper authorities declare a public emergency or state of emergency.

In the event such an emergency is declared, the City of Newark may elect to absorb the cost of trimming

or removal.

(f) If a property owner who has been notified by the manner prescribed in subsection (c) hereof objects to Traffic Control's determination that a tree, shrub or other planting located on their property

constitutes a public health or public safety hazard, the property owner may appeal Traffic Control's

determination to the Property Maintenance Review Committee. The property owner shall provide

written notice of their appeal by mail, facsimile, hand-delivery or email to the Department of Public

Service no later than the fifteenth calendar day after the date of the Department of Public Service's

mailed notification sent pursuant to subsection (c) hereof. The notice of appeal shall clearly state the

property owner's objection(s) to Traffic Control's determination. Failure to provide the written notice of

appeal by the fifteenth calendar day waives property owner's right to appeal Traffic Control's determination. Timely received appeals shall be assigned a hearing date within thirty calendar days of

the Department of Public Service's receipt of said notice. In its discretion, the Property Maintenance

Review Committee may schedule a hearing date more than thirty calendar days after the Department of

Public Service's receipt of the written notice of appeal. After considering the appeal and hearing applicable testimony, the Property Maintenance Review Committee shall issue an order upholding,

modifying or reversing Traffic Control's determination. The Property Maintenance Review Committee's

order shall be made in writing within fifteen calendar days following the hearing. The Property Maintenance Review Committee's decision shall be considered a final determination of the matter. This

appeals procedure does not apply to tree trimmings or removals conducted to correct conditions posing

an immediate threat to public health or public safety pursuant to subsection (b) hereof. (Ord. 74-40. Passed 6-3-74; Ord. 06-53. Passed 10-2-06; Ord. 07-17. Passed 4-16-07.)