



## Effective November 1, 2020

### Tree Maintenance Requirements for Property Owners

The following requirements have been extracted from Ordinance 2020-22. This document is general in nature and does not modify or supersede any city ordinance in effect which takes precedence over the following requirements.

#### Using a Registered Tree Contractor:

- ▶ Tree contractors that provide services within the City of Fair Oaks Ranch **MUST** be registered with the City **BEFORE** beginning work.
- ▶ The City will maintain a current list of registered tree contractors, which will be made available to residents upon request. Please call the City at (210) 698-0900 for more information.
- ▶ Property owners may perform tree maintenance on his/her own property **WITHOUT** permit or registration.

#### Oak Wilt Prevention Requirements:

- ▶ Oak tree maintenance (including cutting, trimming, pruning, and removal) is **limited to a designated time frame of July 1<sup>st</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup>** when fungal spore formation and nitidulid beetle activity are lowest. The only exceptions are to clear branches posing a danger to life or property; for purposes of residential or commercial development; and for maintenance performed by utility, phone and cable services.
- ▶ ALL oak tree wounds **MUST be painted immediately after trimming, cutting, pruning or trenching**. Any black paint (latex, oil-based, spray-on, brush-on or wound dressing) will suffice. Painting of oak tree is to prevent contact with contaminated nitidulid beetles.
- ▶ All members of the red oak group (Quercus section Lobatae) are **prohibited as new plantings** in the City due to their high susceptibility to oak wilt.

#### Oak Wilt Treatment Requirements:

- ▶ Notification **MUST** be given to the City **BEFORE** providing treatment for oak wilt. Please call the City at (210) 698-0900 for more information on notification process.