

5/5/2024

**Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
May 8, 2024 Agenda**

***Approval of the April 16, 2024 Minutes** (*Attachment 1*)

***Comments from Residents** (*Please limit in-person comments to 3 minutes*)

***Correspondence**

***Old Business**

VOM Inspection for Maintenance or Removal Please provide street numbers when reporting tree-related issues

- VOM trees for inspection
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lg-QtdV6So5hl4XDm4Usf8jghZXhA-9ZiYpySaxYjVU/edit>
- ROW trees topped on Palmer Ave (*Attachment 2*)

New Trees

- White oaks from NYS bridge project
- Bishop Ave replacement trees
 - o Dan Sarnoff researching MetroNorth permissions
 - o Current year budget for new trees balance encumbered
- Create Fall list by end of July

Tree Law

- **Report tree removals**
 - o Business hours, Building Dept **(914) 777-7731**
 - o After hours & weekends, Police **(914) 777-1122**
- After Hours Police Desk -- access to permits?
- Follow Up for Replanting Requirements of permits previously granted
 - o Create list of past permit approvals
 - o Law allows one year to replant following permit issue

417 N. Barry appeal of permit application – Granted!

Heritage Tree Hunt

- Nomination form (*Attachment 3*)
- Announced on Arbor Day, April 26
- "Heritage Tree Nominees" Google spreadsheet

Spring Tree Walk – Ten intrepid tree folks, including our naturalist, attended despite the rain (19 registered)

***New Business**

Tree Removal Permit fee increased in budget from \$25 to \$50?

Trees for Valley Place (*Attachment 4*)

- County project
- Request county to include landscaping costs in bond proposal
- VOM or Tree Committee?

Check on Stakes for Most Recent New Trees (*Attachment 5*)

Report on FOIL -- Gail

Notice of tree removals

- Sign should be posted for permitted removal of private trees
- Tree tags needed to identify VOM trees to be removed (tagged in advance)

Follow up for VOM trees topped by residents

- 334 Prospect (2 trees) and 505 – 511 Prospect (3 trees) ROW trees topped

Coiled Wires on tree at 506 Prospect (*Attachment 6*)

Draft Revised Tree Committee page on VOM website (*Attachment 7*)

- Committee to provide edits

Are there state grants available for sidewalk replacements in underserved neighborhoods?

Washingtonville Housing Alliance tree locations?

***Other Business**

***Calendar Notes**

- Next meeting Wednesday, June 5, 7:30 pm
- Fall tree walk, October 27, 1:00 pm, location TBA

Attachment 1
Village of Mamaroneck Tree Committee
DRAFT April 16, 2024 Minutes

Present: Beverley Sherrid, Gail Koller, Michelle Goodman, Wendy Zoland, Dan Sarnoff

Meeting convened at 7:35 pm

Approval of the March 6, 2024 Minutes – **VOTE:** Minutes Approved as amended

Correspondence – Discussed

VOM Inspection -- List submitted to DPW

Bishop Avenue

- Acting Village Manager awaiting ConEd permission letters received by prior Deputy Attorney
- VOM will encumber remaining budget for new trees

Tree Law

- Police desk not aware of responsibility for after hours enforcement. Dan will discuss with chief
- List of inception-to-date permits will be created

Heritage Trees

- Gail designed nomination form.
- Launch scheduled for Arbor Day.

Tompkins Farm Oak pruning per arborist will be recommended for Fall. **VOTE:** Unanimously approved.

Florence Park renovations – Tree planting ceremony proposed for replacement trees in Fall, acknowledgement of Tree Committee efforts

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50

Attachment 2
ROW Trees Removed Palmer Ave

Fri 4/26/2024 5:30 PM

Hi Jeff,

Great news about the new trees from NYS. I sent Bev a suggestion for a location for some of the trees.

A neighbor recently asked me why a tree was removed from the ROW on Palmer Avenue in front of Palmer Terrace Coop. I think it was a relatively new-ish tree (compared to the well-established London planes.) Can you please share with me why it was removed?

Thanks and hope you have a nice weekend!

Best,
Gail

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Good evening Gail

I did not remove a tree from Palmer Ave. maybe Dpw did due to storm damage

Thanks Jeff

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Hi Jeff,

Thanks for letting me know. I'll follow up with DPW.

Best,
Gail

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Hi James,

A neighbor recently asked me why a tree was removed from the ROW on Palmer Avenue in front of Palmer Terrace Coop. I think it was a relatively new-ish tree (compared to the well-established London planes.) Can you please share with me why it was removed?

Thanks!

Best,
Gail



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Heritage Tree Hunt

The Village of Mamaroneck is excited to kick off our Heritage Tree Program on Arbor Day, April 26!

[Nominate your favorite tree and help our Village create a list of Heritage Trees!](#)

What is a Heritage Tree? Easy! *It's a **REMARKABLE** tree!*

What can make a tree *REMARKABLE*? It might be...

- ❖ *Remarkably* old, large, and/or rare, unusual, or endangered (and must be a non-invasive species); and/or
- ❖ *Remarkably* important because it recalls a historic event

A Heritage Tree may be a Village tree on Village of Mamaroneck property (in a park or along a street) *OR* it may be on private property in the Village of Mamaroneck. (See map of Village of Mamaroneck on back of this flyer.)

Look around for *REMARKABLE* trees. Then, print out, complete this form, and email it along with a photo of your Heritage Tree to TreeCom@vomny.org by June 30. If your tree is selected, the Village Tree Committee will present a Certificate of Recognition to you and, for private trees, to the tree's owner as well. A photograph of you with the tree will appear in the weekly Village E-Blast!

Your name: _____ Your email: _____

Your phone number: _____ Address of your tree: _____

Tree type or species, if known: _____

Estimated diameter of tree at chest height, if known: _____

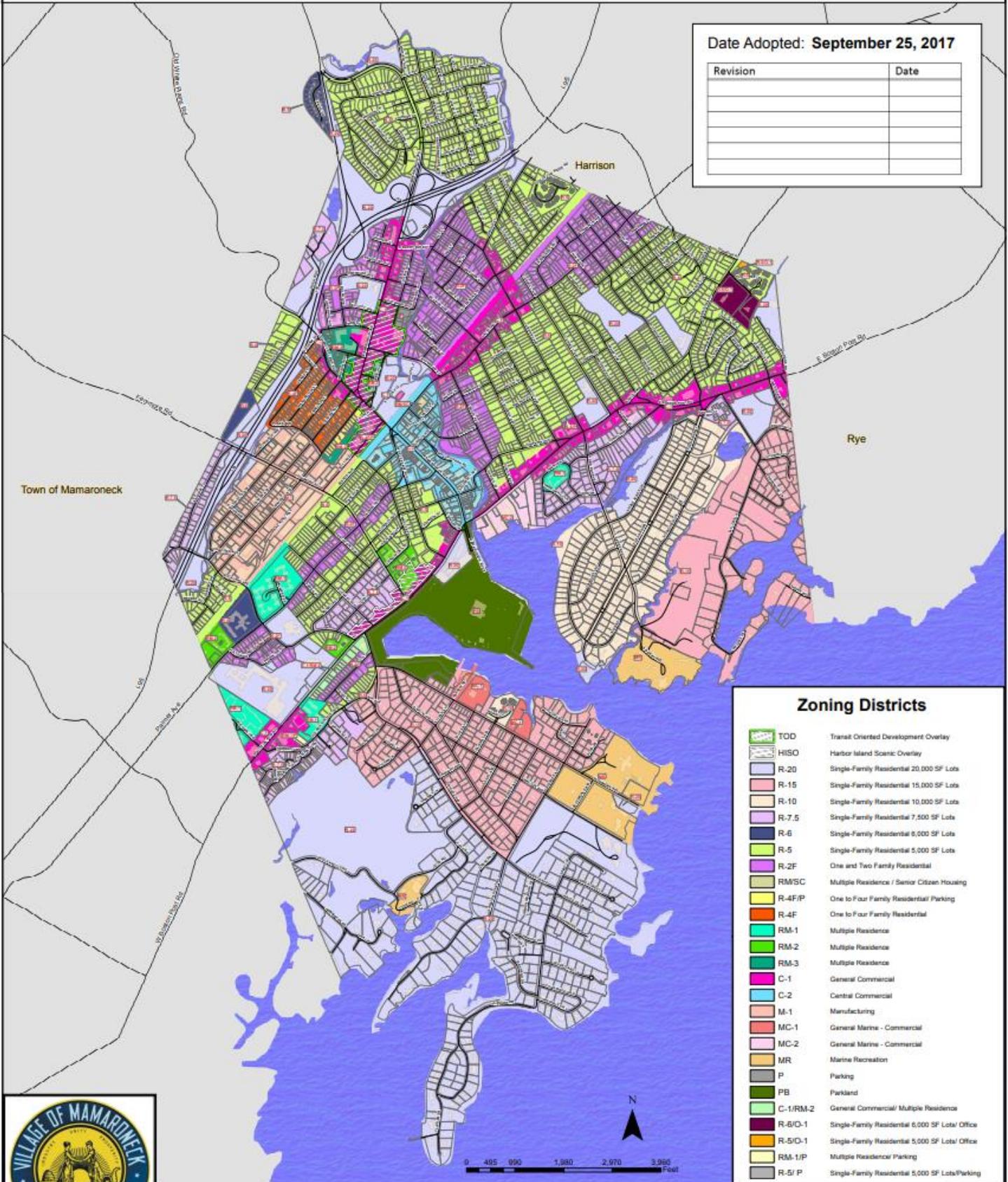
Village tree or private tree, if known: _____

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Village of Mamaroneck, New York

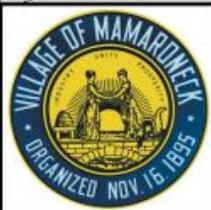
Date Adopted: **September 25, 2017**

Revision	Date



Zoning Districts

- TOD - Transit Oriented Development Overlay
- HISO - Harbor Island Scenic Overlay
- R-20 - Single-Family Residential 20,000 SF Lots
- R-15 - Single-Family Residential 15,000 SF Lots
- R-10 - Single-Family Residential 10,000 SF Lots
- R-7.5 - Single-Family Residential 7,500 SF Lots
- R-6 - Single-Family Residential 5,000 SF Lots
- R-5 - Single-Family Residential 5,000 SF Lots
- R-2F - One and Two Family Residential
- RM/SC - Multiple Residence / Senior Citizen Housing
- R-4F/P - One to Four Family Residential/Parking
- R-4F - One to Four Family Residential
- RM-1 - Multiple Residence
- RM-2 - Multiple Residence
- RM-3 - Multiple Residence
- C-1 - General Commercial
- C-2 - Central Commercial
- M-1 - Manufacturing
- MC-1 - General Marine - Commercial
- MC-2 - General Marine - Commercial
- MR - Marine Recreation
- P - Parking
- PB - Parkland
- C-1/RM-2 - General Commercial/ Multiple Residence
- R-6/O-1 - Single-Family Residential 5,000 SF Lots/ Office
- R-5/O-1 - Single-Family Residential 5,000 SF Lots/ Office
- RM-1/P - Multiple Residence/ Parking
- R-5/P - Single-Family Residential 5,000 SF Lots/Parking



Official Zoning Map

Map prepared by
Greg Cullen,
Village Planner

Attachment 4
325 Anita Lane Regarding Trees for Valley Place

Tue 4/30/2024 3:12 AM

Attn. VOMNY TREE COMMITTEE RE: NEW TREES NEEDED FOR VALLEY PLACE

Kindly look at the enclosed photos of the end of Valley Place.

I live on Anita Lane and I am requesting that the Village plant some evergreen trees at the end of Valley Place on the bank of the Mamaroneck River for the following reasons.

- 1) Although there is a No Parking sign, often vehicles are illegally parked there. New trees planted in that open area should deter illegal parking.
 - 2) During Hurricane Ida a trailer parked on Valley Place ended in the River. This of course made the flooding situation worse for our Village. New trees planted in that open area might help to prevent this from happening again.
 - 3) From 1983, when I bought my house, until 2020 I enjoyed a green view when looking down the street because there were trees and shrubs on the banks of the river. Then Westchester County came to rebuild the County sewer pipe and took down the trees and shrubs. Now everything is open and we see commercial vehicles parked on Valley Place. Planting new evergreen trees there would restore the green and residential look our street had before.
 - 4) I am suggesting 5 or 6 evergreen trees like Green Giants or American Arborvitae. Deciduous trees would be a bad choice because every year they shed leaves, which could clog the river.
- Kindly acknowledge receipt of this email.

Sincerely,
Ms. Longo
325 Anita Lane, Mamaroneck NY 10543

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Dear Ms. Longo,

Thank you for your email about trees for Valley Place. As you noted, the sewer bridge is county owned. I understand they are planning to issue a bond for the new bridge. We will discuss asking them to include trees and landscaping in the project at our next Tree Committee meeting.

Best wishes,
Beverley Sherrid
Chairman, VOM Tree Committee

Attachment 5
Check Stakes on Most Recent Two Years' New Trees

Hi Dan and Bev,

I noticed at least 3 newly planted (within the last year) trees that have stakes that are either leaning in the wrong direction or completely out of the ground. In both instances, the stakes, which are meant to help the trees grow straight up, are actually pulling the trees off to the side. One example is on Rockland Avenue between Monroe and Cortland. I noticed others on my walk in Orienta, but do not recall the exact locations.

I think we need to look at all of the trees that were planted at the same time as the ones on Rockland. Do either of you have a complete list of those trees? Let's discuss at the next TC meeting.

Best,
Gail

Attachment 6
Coiled Wires on tree at 506 Prospect

Hi Leilani and Dan,

Please ask the appropriate Department Head to contact whichever utility owns the wires coiled in this tree at 506 Prospect and ask them to remove the wires, which are interfering with a VOM tree.

Thank you.

Beverly



Attachment 7
DRAFT Revised Text for Tree Committee Page

The Tree Committee is an advisory committee with a mission to preserve trees and increase the tree canopy of the Village of Mamaroneck.

Not only are trees beautiful. They also absorb huge amounts of water, helping to prevent flooding. They cool our homes and buildings, provide food and shelter for wildlife and freshen our air by converting carbon dioxide to oxygen.

With these vital benefits in mind, the Village introduced a [Tree Law](#) in November 2021 to safeguard both village trees and private trees. You may read our FAQ at [hyperlink](#)

In 2010, the Village began an extensive tree replanting program, and by the Spring of 2017, Mamaroneck had planted 1,000 new trees on Village streets and in public parks. The Village plants 100-120 new trees every year.

The Tree Committee also organizes events and programs—including seasonal tree walks and author talks — to educate residents on the importance of trees.

If you would like to suggest locations for new Village trees, or have any tree related questions/concerns, you can email members of the Tree Committee at treecom@vomny.org. To email individual members, please refer to the roster below.