



200 East Park
Vandalia, MO 63382

TREE TRIMMING POLICY

The City of Vandalia has a responsibility and a policy to keep trees and vegetation out of utility lines. Therefore, the City will remove any trees threatening utility lines.

City crews are not professional tree trimmers. Power lines will be cleared for several years' growth.

However, in instances where a property owner desires to keep a tree and agrees to have it maintained, the City will trim a tree **one time**, instead of removing it. All future trimming will be the responsibility of the property owner. This does not apply to trees which have caused power outages since they will be removed immediately.

I, the undersigned, hereby request that the City of Vandalia trim this tree, instead of removing it. I understand the tree(s) is causing problems to or threatening public infrastructure.

I understand that when said tree(s) needs trimming again, I will be responsible for all trimming and the costs associated with it. I will hire a city-approved contractor with appropriate insurance. Additionally, or in the event that I elect to undertake the trimming of said tree(s) myself, I agree to protect, indemnify, save and hold harmless the City against and from any and all loss, cost, damage or expense, arising out of or from any accident or other occurrence on or about said premises, causing injury to any person or property. I will also protect, indemnify, save and hold harmless the City from any and all claims, costs or expense arising out of any failure of myself or the contractor in any respect to comply with and perform all the requirements and provisions agreed to and required by law or ordinance.

I understand that the City will remove said tree(s) if I do not keep them (it) properly trimmed in the opinion of the Utilities Superintendent.

Property Owner Signature

Printed name of Property Owner

Location / Address of tree(s)

Date