12.16.040 - Responsibility of property owners.

- A. It is the duty of the owner of property abutting any public street, alley or sidewalk rights-of-way, or other public place, to properly maintain and care for all trees, shrubs, hedges or vines located upon or affecting these areas. The director of forestry shall have the authority to require such property owners to provide proper maintenance, which includes, but is not limited to, providing a fourteen-(14) foot clearance above street and alley surfaces and an eight-foot clearance above sidewalks.
- B. Property owners will be provided with written notice by the office of the director of forestry advising of any maintenance work to be performed and a time frame in which the work is to be completed.
- C. An owner of property abutting the public street, alley, or sidewalk rights-of-way, or other public place, is not responsible for the trimming of any trees, shrubs, hedges or vines necessary to provide clear visibility of traffic-control devices or other traffic-control/regulatory signs. It is the duty of the director of forestry to provide for any trimming work necessary for these situations.

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