

12.16.050 - Control of disease or insect infestation of trees.

- A. Upon the discovery of any destructive or communicable disease or mortality causing insect which endangers the growth, health, life or well-being of trees, shrubs, hedges or vines within the city, or which is capable of causing an epidemic spread of communicable disease or insect infestation, such as Dutch elm disease or pine bark beetle, the director of forestry will provide written notice to affected property owners. Notice requiring removal will be provided to owners of any property upon which such diseased or insect infected tree, shrub, hedge, vine or wood is situated.
1. Written notice will contain a requirement that the property owner must eradicate, remove or otherwise control the condition within a time frame specified in the notice.
  2. Upon removal of any or all of a tree, shrub, hedge, vine or wood determined to be contagious or diseased, persons must arrange for the contagious tree, or shrub vegetation or wood to be immediately disposed of in the city landfill pursuant to proper disposal instructions provided by forestry division staff.
    - a. Commercial arborists and tree maintenance businesses must dispose of any contagious or diseased items in a specifically designated area within the city landfill, under the direction of the forestry division and the public works/sanitation department.

(Ord. 3613 § 1 (part), 2004)