

2020 STREET TREE PRUNING PROGRAM

The City of Burlington will be undertaking the 2020 street tree pruning program starting in late April. The area to be pruned will be Guelph Line – Fairview Street – Walkers Line – Lakeshore Road. Pruning of city street trees is provided at least once every 7-years. The 7-year cycle is primarily based on the characteristics of trees and the fact they are living organisms and their health can be affected by many external factors.

One of the primary objectives of the grid pruning program is to mitigate any potential hazards within a tree, such as large deadwood and any obvious weakened and/or diseased limbs. Clearance pruning over sidewalks and roadways, where applicable, will be performed to allow for unimpeded pedestrian and vehicular traffic. Where required, low limbs from private trees encroaching over sidewalks or roadways will also be pruned back to allow for safe passage.

Pruning is also an important practice to maintain a tree's structural integrity and overall health, as well as aesthetics.

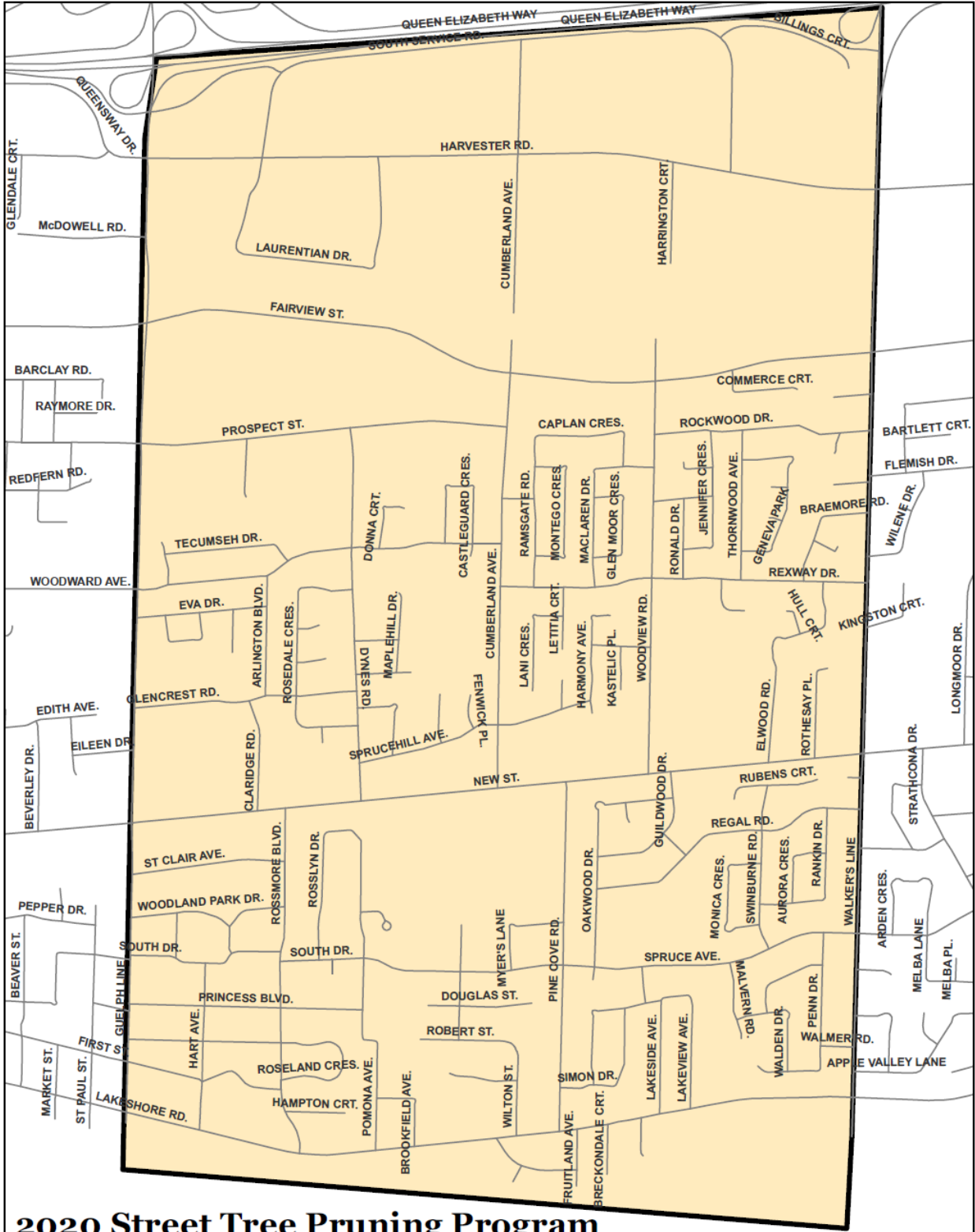
All pruned limbs and wood will be picked up within 2-days of the pruning operation.

The work will be performed by trained crews in accordance with the approved City of Burlington Tree Pruning Standards and in accordance with the International Society of Arboriculture best practices.

These important maintenance programs help to mitigate potential hazards within City trees, and ultimately contribute to a strong, more resilient urban forest.

Operational questions related to the City's Grid maintenance program can be directed to:

Roads, Parks & Forestry – rpf@burlington.ca



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