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Matt Small  
 Woodmont Community Club

RE: View trimming requests, assessments and recommendations, 2020 cycle

Dear Matt,

This letter is a revised version of the list/table I sent last year for tree trimming along the Bootlegger Trail that runs along the top of the Woodmont Community common area from Lot 1 thru 16 of Tract 18. I have made the following changes:

1. Trees are numbered below, in order, and appear on the map/site plan from south to north along the slope.
2. Pruning techniques as requested by City of Des Moines are identical to last year.
3. Debris removal section is included to reflect the WCC guidelines, and is identical to last year.
4. Homeowners not participating in this year's trimming have been temporarily dropped from this document.

Owner	Lot/Tree #	Request	Comment/Recommendations
Kjersten Johansen	26491/16 #1-4	DF- lightly trim & thin for more symmetry. DF-severely malformed and bent over along slope. Maple saplings trim DF- window pruning.	Minor trimming of branches on 2 of 3 firs. Maple sapling/sucker trimming has been repeated for years. Leaning DF; Prune to encourage dominant vertical top.
Dorice Wolfram	26485/15 #5&6	DF on slope; trim off one large lower broken branch. Alder saplings – repeat trimming	This pruning has been repeated here numerous times. Keep all pruning cuts on sprouts to 5" or less.

Catherine Delostrinos	26461/12 #7,8 & 9	2 bigleaf maples – trim sprouts from top to regain view. Willow below trail	Manage sprout growth after last year’s trimming.
Brian Kerr	26457/10 #10	DF- window trim	Remove 6-10 branches to open view corridor
Rich	26453/9 #11	DF- window trim	Remove 6-12 branches to open view corridor
James/Janet Patterson	26427/6 #12,13,14	12-alder-trim 13-alder-trim new tops 14-maple-trim new shoot growth at top.	Repeat trimming – keep pruning cuts to 5” Repeat trimming – keep pruning cuts to 5”  Same as above – no harm to system. Keep cuts to 5” or less
Nancy Hogan	26423/5 #15,16,17	Willow below path; trim sprouts 2 DF, pruning to create views through canopy (window pruning)	Willow done last year. Fir pruning similar to that on nearby trees done last year.
Rob	26421/4 #18	Maple; trim sprouts again	Also trim some of dead ivy and dead branches out of madrone.
Liz Nakabayashi	26409/2	Trim 3 maples #19, 20, 21	These are all trees that have been maintained for views for years. Ok to trim sprouts and shoots up to 5” diameter.
Dixie Small	26403/1	Prune several alder, bitter cherry and maple trees #22,23,24	All have been maintained for views for years. Okay to re-trim to or near old cuts not to exceed 5” diameter.
North Beach Trail		Bigleaf maple on slope above trail.	Remove large dead maple branch extending from slope over power feed lines, trail and home. Cost= \$500.00

For some time, the policy of the WCC to have all material that is trimmed or cut on critical area slopes cleaned up and removed from the site. Due to the steepness of the slope, we will restrict the amount of foot traffic. The following guidelines will be followed with regard to trimming:

1. Where there is a disturbed area or reduction of canopy without adequate undergrowth covering the area, it will be the responsibility of the WCC to re-vegetate the slope.
2. Trimming will not damage the slope or vegetation on it.
3. The following pruning techniques will be used to maintain the health of the trees being trimmed:

All pruning cuts shall be made to or near previous cuts, and at a suitable secondary top, branch or lateral shoot that can assume a dominant growth role.

Thinning cuts are allowed to reduce the total mass of canopy and growing vertical stems.

No cuts larger than 5” diameter permitted.

4. Organic debris generated during trimming will be collected and removed using the following techniques to prevent over use (walking on) the slope:

Larger debris (> 3/4" diameter and 3 feet long) will be collected and maneuvered downhill in a 'daisy chain' fashion from one worker to another.

Where practical, ropes and rigging will be used to pull or haul bundles of branches up or down hill.

Cleanup thoroughness will match debris size and quantity with wear and tear from foot traffic on slopes.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns about this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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