

# 2020 Board Notes & Plan - Tree Project Wyoming/Maple

# Wyoming St.

Notes- Members of the Board met with Robert Wright, City Engineer and Alan Soderling Director of Public Works to discuss planting/not planting trees along Wyoming. Both came to the conclusion that because of the small amount of space allowed for trees to be planted and the close proximity to the asphalt walkway and street curbing, Rocking R is not required to plant any trees in the swale. A permit from the City of Hayden has been submitted and accepted for this project (waiting for us to choose a Tree Company with City required requirements) which shows Rocking R's plan of not planting trees on Wyoming. The permit being ready to go was confirmed by an August phone call placed from a Board member to Michelle in the Permit Dept. at the City of Hayden. In meeting with 5 separate Arborists from Grace Tree Services, Bartlett Tree Services, Don Taylor Tree Services, Specialty Tree Services and American Landscape and Tree Services, all with over 20+ years of experience, they too agreed with the City that not only was there not enough room to plant trees, but the trees that were existing in the swale were not a good choice to begin with. Most have an aggressive and shallow root systems (mostly the Aspen and Maples) that will (and is currently) upheaving the asphalt walkway and will continue. They went on to say that the continued heaving and cracking of asphalt will incur costly repairs and fixes to the walkway and will eventually lead to again removing trees. One of the Arborists noted that he does guite a bit of work in Spokane and the city there has a minimum required width from the curb to the sidewalk and this would not have passed there. The Board agrees with the City and the consulted Arborists and adds that to keep replanting and maintaining trees on Wyoming merely for asthetics and to go against professional advice is fiscally irresponsible as it could lead to even costlier problems. Although unfortunate, as it will not be as nice as having trees aligned on our common area walkway, this will also be a cost saver in future tree and common area financial budgets.

**Plan-** The Boards plan is to remove and stump grind all trees along Wyoming and lay new sod in the swale.

Maple St. continued next page.

### Maple St.

Notes- The 5 separate Arborists listed above also discussed the trees on Maple. Some of their notes can be found in the body of the email that accompanied their bid. Notes were also taken by a Board Member and are included in accompanying documents. All agreed the Aspens and Mt. Ash's were terrible. There are a couple of Maples who are showing some disease from being hit by weed eaters and rubbed by deer. There are also a few Red Maples that were planted and are considered "large" trees. In regards to the Red Maples the Arborists did not think they were a good tree in the swale along the walkway in that their canvas would grow over the walkway and their large, aggressive and shallow roots would eventually be a problem again with the asphalt and curb. The Chanticleer Pears and Bowhall Maples were a better fit and although wouldn't be maintenance free would be less likely to cause the problems the large Red Maples will cause, as they are columnar and have less aggressive roots. A couple of the Arborists also recommended deep watering to get the roots to go down deeper and not spread in the grassy swale. There are a couple of healthy columnar Maples planted now but in replacing so many trees and starting from a different point (the first tree on Maple in front of the pond on Wyoming and Maple is planted in too small of an area so will need to be removed and not replanted) does not make sense to keep as the spacing will be off and all trees will be uniform in size except these few trees. We also discussed removing an Aspen in the South pond of the Arena Loop entrance. This tree is diseased and has boars. Because of the location of this tree we will be removing but not stump grinding it.

**Plan-** The Boards plan is to remove and stump grind all 27 trees along Maple including the Aspen in the Arena Loop Pond area and replace with 24 new Bohall Maples and Chanticleer Pears. All removed Aspens will be treated for sucker growth. These trees will be staked and wrapped to protect from deer and the grass will be kept back 8 inches so weed eating does not damage them. We also intend on having an Arborist and not a landscaper do the trimming for future. We have not chosen a Tree Service Company yet as we are still awaiting information on a few of the bids. It has been very difficult getting some places to respond with the busyness of everyone in the building industry right now.

In Summary- The Board has been working on this plan for over a year and wanted to be sure to do our due diligence in doing what is right for our Association. In that time you can review financials online, the Board has been incredibly frugal with spending in planning for this large cost. In being fiscally responsible the Board considered the professional advice of the City of Hayden's City Engineer and Director of Public Works and consulted with 5 Arborists who each had over 20 plus years of experience. We considered current problems vs. future problems and the overall long term cost of each. We also considered the value that the common area and entrance to our neighborhood brings to our homes. When you have mismatched and diseased trees it is the first thing people or potential home buyers see. We had to weigh keeping a few healthy trees we know are going to do damage to our walkways in the future and that future cost vs. replacing the few. As well as not being properly spaced or size. We look at these new trees as an investment and hope future Boards will continue with that.

### **Buckles St.**

**Notes-** Board will consider plan to continue with planting in near future.

# Don Taylor Tree Service - 25 plus years Certified & Licensed Arborist (Don Taylor)

- Great choices on tree selection. Mostly likes the Chanticleer Pear because it is columnar, not a huge tree, it's roots are not as shallow as the Maples and it handles stress and water issues well. Only downside to the Bowhall Maple in his opinion is that it does not have the red in the fall and will only be yellow (I looked up the Bowhall Maple for fall colors and it shows an array of coloring so I will clarify this with him by providing the link to what I found online <a href="http://pnwplants.wsu.edu/PlantDisplay.aspx?PlantID=108">http://pnwplants.wsu.edu/PlantDisplay.aspx?PlantID=108</a>). He does believe though, the columnar shape and medium size of the Bowhall is great for the swale on Maple. Because both these trees are not huge trees they will be less costly to maintain in the future.
- Doesn't think trees should be planted on Wyoming. Surprised of the trees that were selected to be planted in such a small area. All the trees planted (Aspens, Mt. Ash, and the new Maples have and will start reeking havoc on the asphalt walkway and stress is already evident. Once we start getting cracks if not sealed right away water will seap and encourage more root growth and destruction. All three arborists agreed on this as did the city.
- Believes all trees need to be staked because the city usually requires it in areas
  where there is exposure to cars, bikes, walking, etc. Absolutely thinks a wrap should
  be placed to guard from deer rubbing horns. Also, grass cut away from the trees so
  no weed wacking can hurt trees. Mulch, not bark should be placed around the tree to
  give nutrients. Need to add to Dane's contract to edge these in the Spring Cleanup.
- There are boars in most of the Aspens. Big time in the one by the fountain in Arena Loop entrance so much so that there are shavings all around the trunk of the tree area. Because of the items surrounding the tree (bushes, electrical boxes) he would only be able to cut it down just below ground and we can camoflauge the trunk with bark. All other arborist said the same thing.
- All Aspens will have to be treated because they will just keep growing suckers.
   Possibly a couple of times.
- Two of the Maples on Maple have damage on the trunk all the way to the cambium (inner part of the tree) from weed wacking, and deer. Very succeptable to rot because it is exposed to water and elements. The other 5 varieties of Maples (probably a red leaf Maple) are not columnar so they will grow outward, are larger trees so more root issues in a swale than the columnar trees.

# Bartlett Tree Service - ISA Certified Arborist with over 25 years of experience (Joe Zubaly)

- Liked our tree selections.
- Said that the trees planted on Wyoming were ALL NOT good choices. When I asked him if maybe we could keep the healthy Maples on Wyoming he said we could but they have very aggressive shallow roots and will cause a lot of damage to the walkway. Also said the cracks that have already begun will allow for water to seap in and encourage root growth. He said he would not plant trees on Wyoming and that Spokane does not allow you to plant trees unless 4-5 ft. wide.
- I asked him if we kept the 6-7 healthy Maples and replaced the other trees with the same size trees he said the cost of the existing Maples were around \$600. If we were to keep them and put in the same size tree there would be a cost difference of approximately \$370 per tree. Plus we would not be reducing the tree count by 3 trees on Maple.
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- When we were meeting at 9:30 this morning the sprinklers came on and there was
  water shooting all the way from the street curbing to over the walkway. Joe said we
  could replace the sprinkler heads with what the call Strip Heads made for strips and
  the ones that were currently on were wasting a lot of water. I called Dane and
  discussed this with him. He said he will look into the replacement and get back to
  me.



### Kasey Kraft <kaseyckraft@gmail.com>

# Re: Meeting with the City

1 message

Heather Barajas <rentalpropheather@gmail.com>

Wed, Aug 5, 2020 at 10:37 AM

To: Kasey Kraft <kaseyckraft@gmail.com>

Cc: Michael Little <a href="mailto:com">dike Zagar <zagar659@gmail.com</a>, Susan Lovelace <susanwlovelace@gmail.com</a>, Wendy Lemm <a href="mailto:com">lemmharris@msn.com</a>

### Kasey,

The business cards I have from that meeting are from Robert Wright, City Engineer 208-209-1079 and Alan Soderling Director of Public Works 208-208-2018 office and 208-661-5615 cell.

On Wed, Aug 5, 2020 at 10:25 AM Kasey Kraft <a href="mailto:kaseyckraft@gmail.com">kaseyckraft@gmail.com</a> wrote:

I am putting together information on the tree project to forward on to Jeff. Heather or any Board member can you please ASAP give the date, notes, and name of who you met from the city that said we did not need to plant trees on Wyoming.

Kasey Kraft

Thank you,
Heather Barajas
Manager
HOA Administration
Phone (208)765-5600
Fax (208)667-7933
rentalpropheather@gmail.com
www.rentalpropcda.com
In case of Emergency please call 208-660-5854

Hard To Scape

P.O. Box 483 Coeur d Alene,ID 83816 208 755-4830

# **Estimate**

Date	Estimate #
4/28/2020	303

Name / Address	
Rocking R Home Owners P.O. Box 3101 Hayden, ID 83835	

Item	Description	Rate	Qty	Total
Labor	remove all Mountain Ash trees on Maple and Wyoming and stumps and fix any breakage of sprinkler in the process	950.00	1	950.00
Dump Fees	to haul trees and stumps to dump	150.00	1	150.00
	1	Tot	al	\$1,100.00



### Kasey Kraft <kaseyckraft@gmail.com>

# **Estimate 2402 from Specialty Tree Services/Tree Medic**

1 message

Specialty Tree Services / Tree Medic <quickbooks@notification.intuit.com> Reply-To: thetreemedic@gmail.com To: kaseyckraft@gmail.com

Tue, Aug 4, 2020 at 6:31 PM

Hello Kasey. Here is the estimate you requested... Sorry for the delay in getting this to you.

When I was assembling the bid for you, I was under the impression that the bidder is grinding all the stumps. According to your email, it appears that Dane is grinding the stumps of the trees he is cutting... if this is the case, i will revise the estimate and sharpen my pencil for you... My apologies.

The root systems of the existing maples will heave the asphalt in time, given their large size at maturity. Chanticlere pear and Bowhall maple may be a good solution here root-wise, and typically may be better suited for a grassy swale, given their narrowerer habit. I would not assume that they will be lower maintenance, however.

I would concur with the City in that replacement trees may not have adequate room along Wyoming Ave. Should you decide to replant there, red maple would not be a good choice.

Please review this estimate, and simply let me know if you have any questions. Thank you Kasey... We look forward to working with you!

Ryan Wichman 208-755-2349

Ship To:

Kasey Kraft Wyoming & Buckles Hayden, ID 83835

Thank you for your business! Specialty Tree Services/Tree Medic

------ Estimate ------2900 N. Government Way #229 Coeur d' Alene, ID 83815 US (208)755-2349 http://www.thetreemedic.com Estimate #: 2402 08/04/2020 Date: 08/04/2020 Exp. Date: \$7,200.00 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address: Kasey Kraft

# Specialty Tree Services / Tree Medic

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# Estimate 2402

ADDRESS SHIP TO

Kasey Kraft Kasey Kraft

Wyoming & Buckles Hayden, ID 83835 DATE 08/04/2020 TOTAL **\$7,200.00** 

EXPIRATION DATE 08/04/2020

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Remove Tree/ Haul Debris Cut 4 quaking aspen and 3 maples along Wyoming Ave down to stumps. Grind stumps including 1 specified existing stump. Grind brush and haul away wood and debris. **Does not include irrigation repair, if necessary.	1	1,500.00	1,500.00
Remove Tree/ Haul Debris Cut 7 specified aspen trees along Maple St down to stumps. Grind 6 stumps, not to include specified stump at pond. Grind brush and haul away wood and debris.  **Does not include irrigation repair, if necessary.	1	2,700.00	2,700.00
Plant Install 24 new potted nursery stock as specified. Includes installation and guying as necessary, and biostimulant in water vehicle.	24	125.00	3,000.00
We Look Forward To Working With You!			
	TOTAL		\$7,200.00
			THANK YOU.

Accepted By Accepted Date



#### Kasey Kraft <kaseyckraft@gmail.com>

### RE: Estimate 1212 from American Quality Landscapes

1 message

info@americanql.com <info@americanql.com> To: kaseyckraft <kaseyckraft@gmail.com>

Wed, Aug 5, 2020 at 10:17 AM

In response to your questions:

• We had talked about the Red Maples on Maple eventually being intrusive to the asphalt walkway because of its aggressive and shallow roots as well as a couple of them that were damaged and diseased from weed eating and deer. We also discussed how the red maples are a large tree and will canvas over the walkway. Do you believe the chanticleer pears and bowhall maples are a better fit? Can you explain?

Chanticleer Pear and Bowhall Maple would be better choices. These are both a more vertical growing tree with a narrower canopy and trunk. The root systems may still pose a problem years down the road, way to avoid this future problem would be to do deep, long watering cycles every 3 – 4 days and not watering inbetween so the roots will dive deeper into the ground.

• We had discussed that we had met with the city and they told us that even though it was code to plant along the streets we did not need to on Wyoming because the Developer did not allow for enough room to keep healthy trees. Do you agree with the city? If one were to plant trees in such a small area would a red maple be a good tree to plant there?

We agree with the city to not plant trees on Wyoming due to the lack of space between the curbing and asphalt walking path. This will cause undue stress on the trees and will prevent healthy growth as well as potential damage the root systems would create to the curbing which would be an HOA responsibility to repair. If it is necessary to plant trees in this area, we would suggest some variety of flowering pear or crab apple tree.

We would welcome the opportunity to present these suggestions and bid to the board at your next scheduled meeting. Please let us know if we can assist in any other way.

Regards,

Nick Kearns

Chief Arborhist

American Quality Tree Services

Office 208.819.8112

208.916.4699 Mobile

nick@americanqualitytrees.com

www.americanql.com

# American Quality Landscapes LLC

PO box 1245 Hayden, ID 83835 US (208) 819-8112 info@americanql.com



**ADDRESS** 

Kasey Kraft Rocking R HOA Corner of Maple and Wyoming Estimate 1212

**DATE** 08/03/2020

**EXPIRATION DATE** 09/03/2020

ACTIVITY QTY RATE AMOUNT

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Tree Service Wyoming:	5	3,000.00	15,000.00
Removal of 15 Trees			
Wyoming proposal includes grinding all stumps and hauling debris to dump.			
Excludes planting of new trees. Excludes sprinkler repairs.			
Maple:			
Removal of 27 Trees (includes Aspen in Arena Pond)			
Proposal includes grinding of 26 stumps. Planting of 24 new trees to be provided by Rocking R HOA. All Labor and debris removal.			
Proposal excludes the grinding			

NOTE: Trucks and equipment may impact lawn, driveway and / or landscaping etc.

of Aspen stump in Arena Pond. Excludes sprinkler repairs. Excludes warranty of new trees provided by Rocking R HOA.

Complete payment is due at time of service. Unless otherwise specified.

Late Fees (1.5%) per month. After 30 days. Returned Check Fees (\$35 per) apply.

TOTAL \$15,000.00

Accepted By

**Accepted Date** 



1860 W Hayden Avenue, Hayden ID 83835 Office (208)762-5800 email office@gracetreeservice.com

Rocking R Home Owners Assoc.
C/O HOA Administration
21 W Commerce Dr. Unit E
Hayden, ID 83835

# **Proposal**

	Date		Quote #
	7/2/2020		9432
	(		Other3
Customer Phone	Customer E-mail		
208-765-5600	rentalpropheather@gmail.com		
ALL WORK SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANSI A300 & TREE CARE STANDARDS		Rep	
		SB	

Description		Rate	Total
A ) Only remove 7 Aspens on Maple and 4 on Wyoming (This includes		0.00	0.00
the Aspen at Arena Loop entrance but not it's stump due to access and the			
utilities.)			
Total clean up and disposal with stump grinding below grade 8-10 inches and top soil back fill.			
\$3700.00			
B)			
Pick up, deliver and plant/water in 13 Bow hall maples and 11 Ornamental			
Pears 50 foot apart and altering them to every other tree on Maple street.			
Each tree will have a 2.5-3 foot diameter circle devoid of grass and top			
dressed with wood chip mulch. Each tree will have 2, 6 foot wooden			
stakes/tree link supporting them and trunk protectors for deer damage			
prevention. This also includes monitoring and stake removal as the trees			

\*Estimates are only valid for 60 days

\*Grace Tree Service accepts no responsibility for damage to underground sprinklers, wires, edging etc. during Stump Grinding or root removal

\*No warranty on planting. Plants/trees must be warrantied through nursery.

Any follow up planting will include labor costs.

\*Coeur d'Alene Arbor Care Inc. is an Idaho Corporation which does business under the assumed business name of Grace Tree Service.

# Total

By hiring Grace Tree Service you are supporting local individuals & families. We offer/provide Health Care, Dental, IRA Plan, & Paid Holidays.

There is a 3% charge on all credit card transactions of \$300.00 and above.			
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		SB	

Description	Qty.	Rate	Total
Idaho Sales Tax		6.00%	0.00
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# NORTHLAND NURSERY

8093 W Prairie Ave Post Falls, ID 83854 208-773-3247 Fx208-777-2802

northlandnurserypfid@outlook.com

**Sales Receipt** 

Transaction #: 253363
Account #: 765-5600
Page: 1 of 1
Date: 6/30/2020
Time: 12:32:03 PM

Cashier: 13 Register #: 1

Bill To: Heather Barajas

**ROCKING R HOA** 

21 W Commerce Dr. Unit E

Hayden, ID 83835 208-765-5600

Reference:

Comment: GRACE TREE SERVICE/Rocking R HOA Trees

Item Lookup Code	Description	Quantity	Price	Extended
01-285 20-25Z4	ACER PYR rub BOWHALL 1.5"	13	\$229.50	\$2,983.50
01-767 20Z4	PYRUS PYR CHANTCLR cal 1.5"	11	\$220.50	\$2,425.50

Ship To:

PLANTING IN OCTOBER WILL PICK UP OCT.

1ST

PLEASE KEEP AND MAINTAIN UNTIL P/U

WE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY JULY 2-SUNDAY JULY 5 NO CASH REFUNDS	Sub Total Sales Tax Total	\$5,409.00 \$324.54 \$5,733.54
In Store Credit Only	Check Tendered Change Due	\$5,733.54 \$0.00