



# TREE FORM

Residents in receipt of this form are kindly requested to please complete the following information, and then return the form to Buchanan City Hall either via the drop box outside City Hall or by using the included self-addressed postage-paid envelope. Questions can be addressed to Mike Baker at the same address (302 N. Redbud Trl, Buchanan, MI 49107), or they may be sent via email to [mbaker@cityofbuchanan.com](mailto:mbaker@cityofbuchanan.com). The purpose of this form is to attempt to determine a resident's preferences relating to trees located in the City right-of-way near their property (typically between the sidewalk and the street). Completing this form is not mandatory; however, it is greatly appreciated, as the form responses will be used by City staff to help make recommendations to the City Commission. Though completion of this form does not guarantee that the requested action will be taken, it does help the Commission make these types of decisions.

Sandra Emerick 605 Days Sandew 2 @ sbcglobal.net  
Name of Resident Address Phone/Email

Do you own the property listed above?  Y or N

If no, please list the name and address of the property owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have trees located in the City right-of-way where you reside?  Y or N

If no, The Buchanan Tree Friends can help select an appropriate species for your location.

If yes, please provide details, including number and type of trees, as well as where they are planted, etc.: \_\_\_\_\_

3 maples - 2 well over 65 yrs old  
1 maple - approximately 15 yrs

Do any of the trees located in the City right-of-way near where you reside cause any problems of which you are aware?  Y or N

If yes, please describe (sidewalk heaving, sewer problems, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

heaving sidewalk at 603 and 601  
dead maple at 606 Days - large limbs constantly  
dropping - one fell yesterday just after (2-5 mins)  
someone passed under it

If no, please sign and date this form and return to City Hall.

Would you like the City to consider removing any of the trees located in the City right-of-way near your residence?  Y or N

If yes, please describe the trees and why they should be removed: 606 - danger to property  
and life - 601 and 603 - sidewalk issues -  
(or find way to repair sidewalks)

If you would like the City to remove any of the trees located in the City right-of-way near your residence,

would you also like the City to replace those trees if they were in fact removed?  Y or N

If yes, please provide details about your preferences for replacement: smaller, less invasive  
root systems

The Buchanan Tree Friends can help select an appropriate species for replacement ([BuchananTreeFriends@gmail.com](mailto:BuchananTreeFriends@gmail.com)).

Any additional comments: (feel free to use the back of this form if more space is needed for this or any other section)

I love the big trees but city does no  
maintenance as to trimming. If true arborist was  
consulted they would learn proper maintenance to  
control growth patterns (over)

Signature of Resident: Sandra Emerick

Date: 6/30/21

I have read that in some larger cities; i.e. in Pennsylvania and New York; in lieu of removing older, healthy trees they remove concrete and ramp over the roots using asphalt that is immediately useable and can actually have dye applied in greens, grays, etc. The asphalt is patched between existing sidewalk. It is also recommended that new section of sidewalk be narrowed and pit the tree roots. (Give them more open area so roots readily access water)