

January 14, 2014

RE: Care of Recently Planted Trees

Dear Sir/Madam:

Last month Greenhaven Tree Care planted five new trees in our neighborhood. These new trees will replace other trees lost to storms or disease and will, over time, replace the tree canopy in the City of Strathmoor. One or more of these new trees were planted on your property.

To ensure that these new trees thrive please follow these recommendations for care during the upcoming year.

- 1. Keep the soil moist but not soaked. Water trees at least once a week when temperatures warm up, barring rain. New trees need to receive 1-2 gallons of water per watering. When the soil is dry below the surface of the mulch it is time to water. Continue until mid-fall, tapering off when temperatures fall.
- 2. Keep the tree mulched. Mulch acts like a blanket to hold moisture in the soil, moderates soil temperatures, protects the bark from mower or weed-eater injury, prevents soil compaction, and reduces competition for nutrients from grass and weeds. Maintain a 2-4" layer of mulch extending ~ 1-2' out from the tree trunk. Do not allow the mulch to cover the actual base of the trunk. Make sure that there is a small mulch-free zone right around the trunk base. This will help prevent decay.

If you have any other questions concerning your new tree please give us a call @ 244-8770. Greenhaven is a full service tree and plant health care company. We would love to meet you and discuss any of your tree care needs.

Regards,

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