

Tree Management Cost Worksheet for Urban and Community Trees

Tree Management Activity				
Tree Conservation	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Project Planning		\$	\$	
Tree Inventory, Mapping, & Evaluation		\$	\$	
Other		\$	\$	
Tree Protection¹	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Project Planning		\$	\$	
Establishing Tree Protection Zone		\$	\$	
Fencing		\$	\$	
Fence Posts		\$	\$	
Signage		\$	\$	
Worker Education		\$	\$	
Inspection & Monitoring		\$	\$	
Pre-/Post-Construction Maintenance		\$	\$	
Other		\$	\$	
Tree Establishment	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Tree Selection		\$	\$	
Site Selection		\$	\$	
Site Preparation		\$	\$	
Tree Purchase & Planting		\$	\$	
Mulch		\$	\$	
Tree Trunk Protection Materials		\$	\$	
Root Barriers		\$	\$	
Structural Soil		\$	\$	
Other		\$	\$	
New Tree Maintenance²	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Mulch		\$	\$	
Watering (5x/month –for 3 months)		\$	\$	
Pruning		\$	\$	
Other		\$	\$	

Maintenance of Established Trees³	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Inspection (every 1-5 years)		\$	\$	
Mulch		\$	\$	
Pruning (every 3-5 years)		\$	\$	
Optional Expenses	# Units	Cost per Unit	Total Cost	Comments
Soil Sampling (prior to fertilization)		\$	\$	
Fertilization (as necessary)		\$	\$	
Vertical Mulching		\$	\$	
Irrigation (specifically during droughts)		\$	\$	
Hazardous Tree Removal		\$	\$	
Pest Management		\$	\$	
Cabling/Bracing		\$	\$	
Root Barriers		\$	\$	
Lightning Protection		\$	\$	
Other Tree Removal		\$	\$	
Other		\$	\$	

¹ There may be a need for additional tree protection materials, such as root padding, trunk wraps, fencing, posts and signs.

² Should inspect while trees are being mulched, pruned and watered. This maintenance refers to new trees during the first 3 years following planting.

³ This should be routine and periodic maintenance for established trees in urban/community forests.