OAKMONT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION
ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

TREE PLANTING AND REMOVAL POLICY

Trees are a valued element of the appearance of Oakmont and their planting and removal will create an impact on both the individual home and neighborhood as a whole. The Architectural Committee, in reviewing all Home Improvement Applications for planting or removal of a tree, will consider each case on its own merits. The criteria considered in reaching a decision include, but is not limited to, the following:

PLANTING

- Will the proposed tree now or eventually block, screen or dominate the applicant's yard or a neighbor's yard?

- Is the expected height or width of the mature tree compatible with the proposed location? Have you considered scale/proportion/visual balance with the house and surrounding trees and dwellings?

- Is the type of tree compatible with the proposed location? Have the cultural requirements been fully considered (sun/shade; water needs compatible with surrounding plants/area?) Will there be any likely problems from roots, leaves or debris from the growing tree?

- Pre-approved tree lists are available in the Architectural Office. If the tree you choose is not on the pre-approved list(s) offered, site specific approval must be obtained from the Architectural Committee (AC) (a site visit will be required).

REMOVAL

- Is the tree an immediate hazard to life, limb or property, including concrete walks, driveways and foundations?

- Can this tree be pruned or the roots trimmed to correct the problem?

- Trees of historical or biological importance may require City of Santa Rosa approval or professional review.

- Will removal of this tree improve or degrade the neighborhood?

APPROVAL
An Application to plant or remove a tree or trees shall be submitted to the AC.
In each instance, no work shall be done until the Application is approved.