

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 9, 2014

TO: Trees and Views Committee

FROM: Lilly Schinsing, Administrative Analyst 

SUBJECT: June/July Tree Tip of the Month

Recommendation:

- 1-Review the draft language for June Tree Tip (authored by Committee Member Rosenstein) make appropriate modifications and approve the Tip for publication; and
- 2-Review the draft language for the July Tree Tip (authored by Committee Member Wilhite) and direct staff to return at the July meeting with a final draft for the TVC review.
- 3-Review the tree tip templates (authored by Committee Member Rosenstein) for discussion.

Attachments:

- 1-Draft June Tree Tip for approval
- 2- Draft JulyTree Tip for review/comment
- 3-Draft Templates

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Draft June Tree Tip (Rosenstein) For Review and Approval

Be water-wise to help your trees survive the drought.

- Provide the right amount of water. Water young trees 2x per week & mature trees once a week.
- Water early in the morning or after the sun has set as this replaces the water they've lost during the day.
- Deep water is essential. Do not give small amounts of water as it encourages shallow roots that dry quickly.
- Water directly with a hose, 5-gallon bucket or gator bag filled with recycled water rather than a sprinkler.
- Consider recycled water or gray water from your home. Water collected in a bucket from the shower is an option.
- Water in the “drip-zone” – those areas directly beneath the foliage and shaded by the tree.
- Avoid directly irrigating the trunk of the tree as the increased moisture can favor root rot disease.

Source: California Urban Forests Council – Invest From the Ground Up

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DRAFT JULY TREE TIP (WILHITE)

DROUGHT-TOLERANT DOZEN

Looking for a small to medium-size tree that doesn't need much water? Consider one of the unthirsty beauties listed below – but remember that all trees need regular irrigation the first year after planting in order to get their roots established.

AUSTRALIAN TEA TREE (*Leptospermum laevigatum*)

AUSTRALIAN WILLOW (*Geijera parviflora*)

BRISBANE BOX (*Lophostemon confertus*)

BRONZE LOQUAT (*Eriobotrya deflexa*)

DR. HURD MANZANITA (*Arctostaphylos manzanita 'Dr. Hurd'*)

FRUITLESS OLIVE (*Olea europaea*, fruitless types)

PALMS (some)

PEPPERMINT TREE (*Agonis flexuosa*)

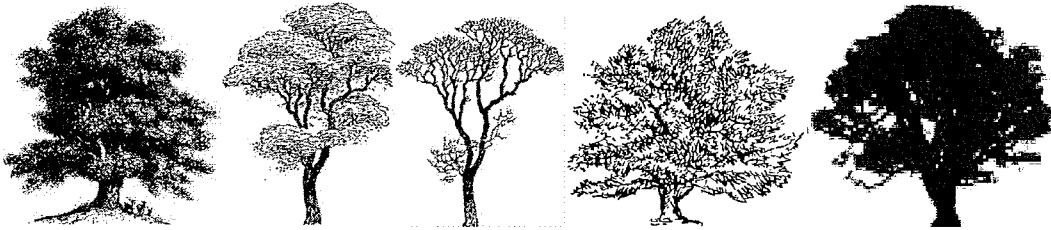
PERSIAN PARROTIA (*Parrotia persica*)

TEXAS OLIVE (*Cordia boissieri*)

TOYON (*Heteromeles arbutifolia*)

WESTERN REDBUD (*Cercis occidentalis*)

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