

BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 14, OF THE INDEPENDENCE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO RECOMMENDED TREES AND PLANTS.

WHEREAS, the Unified Development Ordinance was approved by the City Council on June 15, 2009, by Ordinance No. 17339 and became effective on July 1, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, after its adoption, policy issues to be addressed were discovered, and it was decided to revise these items; and,

WHEREAS, after due public notice in the manner prescribed by law, the Planning Commission held a virtual public hearing for the consideration of the request on September 28, 2021, and rendered a report to the City Council recommending the rezoning be approved by a vote of 5-0; and,

WHEREAS, after due public notice in the manner prescribed by law, the City Council held a public hearing on November 1st, 2021, and rendered a decision to approve the changes to the Unified Development Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Unified Development Ordinance, it was determined that the request is consistent with the review criteria in Section 14-701-01-F.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Sections 14-503-16 of Chapter 14, Unified Development Ordinance, are hereby amended to read as follows:

“ **14-503-16-A.** The following list of plant species has been developed to assist in selecting plants for each of the landscape areas mentioned above. Plant selections have been made based upon the size of the plant, its location, its growing habits, and its function within the landscape. Trees located along a street must comply with the street tree planting requirements in Section 14-503-02. Trees located in buffer areas must comply with the screening and bufferyard requirements in Section 14-503-07. Trees located in parking areas must comply with the parking lot perimeter landscaping and the interior parking lot landscaping found in Sections 14-503-05 and 14-503-06.

14-503-16-B. The following plant list is to be used as a guide in selecting trees; however, there are many trees not listed that may be used as substitutes with prior approval from the Community Development Department. The list of plants titled "Street Trees and Plant Species Specifically Prohibited" in Section 14-503-17, should be reviewed in order to prevent installation of these prohibited species.

Common Name	Botanical Name	Function
Recommended Canopy Trees		
Emerald Queen Map	Acer Platanoides 'Emerald Queen'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Greenspire Linde	Tilia cordata 'Greenspire'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Norway Maple	Acer platanoides	Street, Buffer, Parking

Pin Oak	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	Buffer
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Street, Buffer
Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
River Birch	<i>Betula lenta</i>	Buffer, Parking
Shademaster Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> 'Shademaster'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Skyline Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> 'Skyline'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Sweet Bay Magnolia	<i>Magnolia virginiana</i>	Buffer
Recommended Evergreen Trees		
American Holly	<i>Ilex opaca</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Blue Colorado Spruce	<i>Picea pungens</i> var. <i>glauca</i>	Buffer, Parking
Canaertii Juniper	<i>Juniperus</i> 'Canaertii'	Buffer, Parking
Eastern White Pine	<i>Pinus strobus</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Keleleeri Juniper	<i>Juniperus</i> 'Keteleeri'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Red Pine	<i>Pinus resinosa</i>	Buffer, Parking
Recommended Ornamental Trees		
Amur Maple	<i>Acer ginnala</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Apple Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier x grandiflora</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Chanticleer Pear	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Chanticleer'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Eastern Red Bud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Flowering Dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i>	Buffer, Parking
Indian Magic Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Indian Magic'	Buffer, Parking
Kousa Dogwood	<i>Cornus kousa</i>	Buffer, Parking
Panicled Golden Rain Tree	<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Prairiefire Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Prairiefire'	Buffer, Parking
Profusion Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Profusion'	Buffer, Parking
Royalty Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Royalty'	Buffer, Parking
Sargents Cherry	<i>Prunus Sargentii</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Snowdrift Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Snowdrift'	Buffer, Parking
Spring Snow Crabapple	<i>Malus</i> 'Spring Snow'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Trinity Pear	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Trinity'	Buffer, Parking
Washington Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus phaenopyrum</i>	Buffer
Recommended Evergreen Shrubs		
Blue Holly	<i>Ilex meserveae</i>	Buffer, Parking
Chinese Holly	<i>Ilex cornuta</i>	Buffer, Parking
Compact Juniper	<i>Juniperus compacta</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Japanese Yew	<i>Taxus media</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Korean Boxwood	<i>Buxus koreana</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Mugho Pine	<i>Pinus mugo</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Yucca	<i>Yucca filamentosa</i>	Parking
Recommended Deciduous and Flowering Shrubs		

Burning Bush	<i>Euonymus atropurpurea</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Cranberry Cotoneaster	<i>Cotoneaster apiculatus</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Deutzia	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Forsythia	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Lilac	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Poukhanense Azalea	<i>Rhododendron yedoense</i> var. <i>poukhanense</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Redtwig Dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Spirea	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Spreading Cotoneaster	<i>Cortoneaster divaricatus</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Viburnum	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Winged Euonymus	<i>Euonymus alatus</i>	Street, Buffer, Parking
Witch-hazel	(various species)	Street, Buffer, Parking
Yellowtwig Dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i> 'Flaviramea'	Street, Buffer, Parking
Recommended Groundcover		
English Ivy	<i>Hedera helix</i>	Parking
Low Boy Cotoneaster	<i>Cotoneaster</i> 'Low Boy'	Parking
Pachysandra	<i>Pachysandra terminalis</i>	Parking
Perwinkle	<i>Vinca minor</i>	Parking

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<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Function</u>
Recommended Canopy Trees		
<u>American Elm 'Valley Forge'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Valley Forge'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Elm 'Liberty'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Liberty'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Elm 'Princeton'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Princeton'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Elm 'Prairie Expedition'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Prairie Expedition'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Elm 'Patriot'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'Patriot'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Elm 'New Harmony'</u>	<u><i>Ulmus americana</i> 'New Harmony'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Blackgum</u>	<u><i>Nyssa sylvatica</i></u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Baldcypress</u>	<u><i>Taxodium distichum</i></u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Bur Oak</u>	<u><i>Quercus macrocarpa</i></u>	<u>Buffer</u>
<u>Chestnut Oak</u>	<u><i>Quercus montana</i></u>	<u>Buffer</u>
<u>Chinkapin Oak</u>	<u><i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i></u>	<u>Buffer</u>
<u>Ginkgo</u>	<u><i>Ginkgo biloba</i>, male cultivars only</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>

<u>Honeylocust, thornless</u>	<u>Gleditsia triacanthos, cultivars</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Kentucky coffee tree, male podless varieties only</u>	<u>Gymnocladus dioica, podless cultivars only</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Littleleaf Linden</u>	<u>Tilia cordata</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Overcup Oak</u>	<u>Quercus lyrata</u>	<u>Buffer</u>
<u>Pond Cypress</u>	<u>Taxodium distichum var. imbricarium</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Red Oak</u>	<u>Quercus rubra</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>River Birch</u>	<u>Betula nigra, single trunk only</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Shumard Oak</u>	<u>Quercus shumardii</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Swamp Chestnut Oak</u>	<u>Quercus michauxii</u>	<u>Buffer</u>
<u>Swamp White Oak</u>	<u>Quercus bicolor</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Tuliptree</u>	<u>Liriodendron tulipifera</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Willow Oak</u>	<u>Quercus phellos</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Recommended Evergreen Trees</u>		
<u>American Holly</u>	<u>Ilex opaca</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Burkii Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Burkii'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Canaertii Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Canaertii'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Eastern White Pine</u>	<u>Pinus strobus</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Hillspire Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Hillspire'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Keleleeri Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus chinensis 'Keteleeri'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Spartan Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus chinensis 'Spartan'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Taylor Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Taylor'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Recommended Ornamental Trees</u>		
<u>Apple Serviceberry</u>	<u>Amelanchier x grandiflora</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>American Smoke Tree</u>	<u>Cotinus obovatus</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Black gum</u>	<u>Nyssa sylvatica</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Downy Serviceberry</u>	<u>Amelanchier arborea</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Eastern Red Bud</u>	<u>Cercis canadensis</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Flowering Dogwood</u>	<u>Cornus florida</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Hophornbeam</u>	<u>Ostrya virginiana</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Indian Magic Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Indian Magic'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Prairiefire Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Prairefire'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Profusion Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Profusion'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Red Buckeye</u>	<u>Aesculus pavia</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>

<u>Royal Raindrops Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'JFS-KW5' Royal Raindrops</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Royalty Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Royalty'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Saucer Magnolia</u>	<u>Magnolia x soulangiana</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Snowdrift Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Snowdrift'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Spring Snow Crabapple</u>	<u>Malus 'Spring Snow'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Sweet Bay Magnolia</u>	<u>Magnolia virginiana</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Washington Hawthorn</u>	<u>Crataegus phaenopyrum</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Yellowwood</u>	<u>Cladrastis kentukea</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Recommended Evergreen Shrubs</u>		
<u>American Holly</u>	<u>Ilex opaca</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Blue Holly</u>	<u>Ilex meserveae</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Chinese Holly</u>	<u>Ilex cornuta</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Compact Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus compacta</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Creeping juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus horizontalis</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Hetz Juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Hetzii'</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Japanese Yew</u>	<u>Taxus media</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Juniper 'Grey Owl'</u>	<u>Juniperus virginiana 'Grey Owl'</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Korean Boxwood</u>	<u>Buxus koreana</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Mugho Pine</u>	<u>Pinus mugo</u>	<u>Street, Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Yucca</u>	<u>Yucca glauca</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Recommended Deciduous and Flowering Shrubs</u>		
<u>Arrowwood Viburnum</u>	<u>Viburnum dentatum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Blackhaw Viburnum</u>	<u>Viburnum prunifolium</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Clove Currant</u>	<u>Ribes odoratum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Deciduous holly</u>	<u>Ilex decidua</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Eastern Wahoo</u>	<u>Euonymus atropurpurea</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Fragrant Sumac</u>	<u>Rhus aromatica</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Golden Currant</u>	<u>Ribes aureum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Leatherwood</u>	<u>Dirce palustris</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Nannyberry Viburnum</u>	<u>Viburnum lentago</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>New Jersey Tea</u>	<u>Ceanothus americanus</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Ninebark</u>	<u>Physocarpus opulifolius</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Oak Leaf Hydrangea</u>	<u>Hydrangea quercifolia</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Ozark Witch Hazel</u>	<u>Hamamelis vernalis</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Prairie Red Root</u>	<u>Ceanothus herbaceus</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Roseshell Azalea</u>	<u>Rhododendron prinophyllum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Rusty Blackhaw</u>	<u>Viburnum rufidulum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Shrubby St. John's Wort</u>	<u>Hypericum prolificum</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>

<u>Smooth Hydrangea</u>	<u>Hydrangea arborescens</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Spicebush</u>	<u>Lindera benzoin</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Winterberry</u>	<u>Ilex verticillata</u>	<u>Buffer, Parking</u>
<u>Recommended Groundcover</u>		
<u>Aromatic Aster</u>	<u>Symphotrichum oblongifolium</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Blue Grama Grass</u>	<u>Bouteloua gracilis</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Cord grass</u>	<u>Spartina pectinata</u>	<u>Parking, Buffer</u>
<u>Creeping juniper</u>	<u>Juniperus horizonatalis</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>False Rue Anemone</u>	<u>Enemion biternatum</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Fragrant Sumac 'Gro-Low'</u>	<u>Rhus aromatica 'Gro-Low'</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Golden Ragwort</u>	<u>Packera aureus</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Little Bluestem</u>	<u>Schizachyrium scoparium</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Orange coneflower</u>	<u>Rudbeckia fulgida</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Prairie Dropseed</u>	<u>Sporobolus heterolepis</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Purple poppy mallow</u>	<u>Callirhoe involucrata</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Pussytoes</u>	<u>Antennaria neglecta</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Rose Verbena</u>	<u>Glandularia canadensis</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Roundleaf ragwort</u>	<u>Packera obovata</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Sand phlox</u>	<u>Phlox bifida</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Sedges</u>	<u>Carex (various species)</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Sedum</u>	<u>Sedum ternatum</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Shining Blue Star</u>	<u>Amsonia illustris</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Sideoats Grama</u>	<u>Bouteloua curtipendula</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Switch Grass</u>	<u>Panicum virgatum</u>	<u>Parking, Buffer</u>
<u>Wild Ginger</u>	<u>Asarum canadense</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Wild strawberry</u>	<u>Fragaria virginiana</u>	<u>Parking</u>
<u>Yarrow</u>	<u>Achillea millefolium</u>	<u>Parking</u>

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SECTION 2. That Sections 14-503-17 of Chapter 14, Unified Development Ordinance, are hereby amended to read as follows:

“14-503-17-A. Street trees and other plants within public street rights-of-way must comply with the requirements of Section 13.02.011 of the City Code.

14-503-17-B. The following plant species are specifically prohibited in street rights-of-way.

1. ~~Trees~~

- ~~(a) Black Cherry, Prunus serotina~~
- ~~(b) Black Locust~~
- ~~(c) Box Elder, Acer negundo~~
- ~~(d) Catalpa, Catalpa speciosa~~

- ~~(e) Columnar Poplars, *Populus alba*, *Populus nigra*~~
- ~~(f) Common Buckthorn, *Rhamnus carthartica*~~
- ~~(g) Cottonwood, *Populus deltoides* female only.~~
- ~~(h) Crabapple, All hybrids and varieties having little or no resistance to indigenous diseases.~~
- ~~(i) Elms, *Ulmus* species, All hybrids and varieties except those listed with U.S.D.A. as being resistant to major elm disease.~~
- ~~(j) Honeylocust, *Triacanthos inermis*, not to include thornless/seedless varieties.~~
- ~~(k) Maidenhair Tree, *Ginkgo biloba*, female only~~
- ~~(l) Minosa, *Albizia julibrissin*, all varieties~~
- ~~(m) Mountain Ash, *Sorbus* species and varieties~~
- ~~(n) Mulberry, *Morus* species~~
- ~~(o) Osage Orange, *Maclura pomifera*, not to include the fruitless varieties.~~
- ~~(p) Paper Birch, *Betula papyifera*~~
- ~~(q) Persimmon, *Diospyros virginiana*~~
- ~~(r) Silver Maple, *Acer saccharinum*~~
- ~~(s) Sweet Gum, *Liquidambar styraciflora*~~
- ~~(t) Tree of Heaven, *Ailanthus altissima*, female only~~

~~2. Plants~~

- ~~(a) Bindweed, *Convolvulus* species~~
- ~~(b) Buckhorn Plantain, *Plantago lanceolata*~~
- ~~(c) Bull Nettle, *Urtica procera* and related species~~
- ~~(d) Common Ragweed, *Ambrosia artemisifolia* and related species~~
- ~~(e) Goldenrod, *Solidagenomoralis* and related species~~
- ~~(f) Hemp, *Cannabis sativa*~~
- ~~(g) Pigweed, *Cycloloma artplicifolium* and related species~~
- ~~(h) Poison Ivy, *Toxicodendron radicans*~~
- ~~(i) Pokeberry, *Phytolacca americana*~~
 - ~~(j) — Trumpet Vine, *Campsis radicans*, hybrids and varieties~~

1. Trees, Shrubs, and Woody Vines

- (a) Amur Cork tree, *Phellodendron amurense***
- (b) Amur Maple, *Acer tataricum* subsp. *Ginnala***
- (c) Ash, *Fraxinus* spp.**
- (d) Autumn Olive, *Elaeagnus umbellata***
- (e) Black Cherry, *Prunus serotina***
- (f) Black Locust, *Robinia pseudoacacia***
- (g) Box Elder, *Acer negundo***
- (h) Burning Bush, *Euonymus alatus***
- (i) Callery Pear, also known as Bradford pear, *Pyrus calleryana*, all varieties and hybrids**
- (j) Catalpa, *Catalpa speciosa***
- (k) Columnar Poplars, *Populus alba*, *Populus nigra***

- (l) Cottonwood, Populus deltoides, female trees prohibited.
- (m) Crabapple, All hybrids and varieties having little or no resistance to indigenous diseases.
- (n) Elms, Ulmus species, All hybrids and varieties except those listed with U.S.D.A. as being resistant to major elm disease.
- (o) Elms, Ulmus parvifolia, Lacebark Elm, regardless of disease resistance
- (p) Elms, Ulmus pumila, Siberian or "Chinese" Elm regardless of their disease resistance
- (q) European Buckthorn, sometimes known as Common Buckthorn, Rhamus carthartica
- (r) Goldenrain Tree, Koelreuteria paniculata
- (s) Himalayan blackberry, Rubus armeniacus
- (t) Honeylocust, Gleditsia triacanthos, varieties with thorns and seedpods prohibited.
- (u) Japanese Honeysuckle, Lonicera japonica
- (v) Kudzu, Pueraria montana
- (w) Maidenhair Tree, Ginkgo biloba, female trees prohibited
- (x) Mimosa, Albizia julibrissin, all varieties
- (y) Mountain Ash, Sorbus species and varieties
- (z) Mulberry, Morus species
- (aa) Multiflora Rose, Rosa multiflora
- (bb) Norway Maple, Acer platanoides
- (cc) Osage-Orange, Maclura pomifera, fruiting varieties prohibited.
- (dd) Paper Birch, Betula papyifera
- (ee) Persimmon, Diospyros virginiana
- (ff) Privets, Ligustrum spp
- (gg) Purple Loosestrife, Lythrum salicaria
- (hh) Red Maple, Acer rubrum
- (ii) Shrub or Bush Honeysuckles, Lonicera fragrantissima, Lonicera maackii, Lonicera morrowii, Lonicera tatarica, Lonicera x bella, Lonicera xylosteum. All varietals, hybrids, and related species
- (jj) Silver Maple, Acer saccharinum
- (kk) Sweet-Gum, Liquidambar styraciflora, fruiting varieties prohibited.
- (ll) Tree of Heaven, Ailanthus altissima,
- (mm) Trumpet Vine, Campsis radicans, hybrids and varieties

(nn) Wintercreeper Euonymus, Euonymus fortunei

2. Plants, Wildflowers, Grasses and Other Nonwoody Plants

- (a) Bindweed, Convolvulus species
- (b) Birdsfoot Trefoil, Lotus corniculatus
- (c) Bull thistle, Cirsium vulgare
- (d) Canada Thistle, Cirsium arvense
- (e) Chinese Yam, Dioscorea oppositifolia
- (f) Common and Cut-Leaved Teasel, Dipsacus follonum and Dipsacus laciniatum
- (g) Common Ragweed, Ambrosia artemisifolia and related species
- (h) Common Reed, Phragmite australis
- (i) Garlic Mustard, Alliaria petiolata
- (j) Giant Miscanthus, Miscanthus x giganteus
- (j) Hardy Pampas, Saccharum ravennae
- (k) Hemp, Cannabis sativa
- (l) Japanese Barberry, Berberis thunbergii
- (m) Japanese Hop, Humulus japonicus
- (n) Japanese Knotweed, Fallopia japonica
- (o) Japanese plume grass or eulalia grass, Miscanthus sinensis
- (p) Japanese Stiltgrass, Microstegium vimineum
- (q) Johnson grass, Sorghum halepense
- (r) Musk Thistle, Carduus nutans
- (s) Non-native bush clovers, Lespedeza thunbergii, Lespedeza bicolor and Kummerowia striata and related species
- (t) Oriental Bittersweet, Celastrus orbiculatus
- (u) atriplicifolium
- (v) Poison Ivy, Toxicodendron radicans
- (w) Pokeberry, Phytolacca americana
- (x) Reed Canary Grass, Phalaris arundinacea
- (y) Scotch Thistle, Onopodrum acanthium
- (z) Sericea Lespedeza, Lespedeza cuneata
- (aa) Smooth brome, Bromus inermis
- (bb) Spotted Knapweed, Centauria stoebe micranthos
- (cc) Star-of-Bethlehem, Ornithogalum dubium

- (dd) Stinging Nettle, *Urtica procera* and related species**
- (ee) Sweet Autumn Clematis, *Clematis terniflora***
- (ff) Teasels, *Dipsacum* spp.**
- (gg) White and Yellow Sweet Clover, *Melilotus albus* and *M. officinale***
- (hh) Wild Parsnip, *Pastinaca sativa***
- (ii) Invasive wisterias, *Wisteria* spp., except *Wisteria frutescens*”**

SECTION 3. That Sections 14-503-18 of Chapter 14, Unified Development Ordinance, are hereby amended to read as follows:

“14-503-18-A.Overhead utility lines must be indicated on the landscape plan. In order to allow for maintenance of the lines, if an overhead utility line is located in the rear yard along the lot line, the buffer plantings required in the bufferyard must be installed in accordance with the provisions of this section. If the overhead utility line is located in the rear yard, but five feet to ten feet from the lot line, the screening and bufferyard plantings may be installed along the lot line if approved by the Community Development Director.

14-503-18-B.The following is a list of plant materials recommended for use near overhead utility lines. This list is not all-inclusive. Consideration should be given to soil conditions, drainage, exposure, growth patterns, and local experience when selecting plant materials.

<i>Shrubs(0—15 feet) plant under overhead lines</i>	<i>Small Trees(15—30 feet) plant at least 15 feet from overhead lines</i>	<i>Medium Trees (30—70 feet)</i>	<i>Large Trees (70+ feet) plant at least 45 feet from overhead lines</i>
Althea (Rose of Sharon)	Amur Maple	Ash	Basswood
Barberry	Crabapples	Bald Cypress	Hackberry
Boxwood	Dogwoods	Black Gum	Kentucky Coffeetree
Burning Bush (<i>Euonymus Alatus</i>)	Flowering Cherries	Ginkgo	London Planetree
Flowering Almond	Flowering Plums	Goldenrain Tree	Oaks (Burr, Red, Pin)
Honeysuckle	Hawthorns	Pears (Aristocrat, Chanticlear)	Red Pine
Lilac	Japanese Tree Lilac	Spruce	Tulip Poplar
Potentilla	Redbud	Lindens	White Pine
Spireas	Serviceberry	Maples (Red, Norway, Sugar)	
Viburnums	Weeping Mulberry	Oaks (Sawtooth, English)	
Forsythia		Honeylocust	
Spreading Junipers		River Birch	
Ornamental Grasses			

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<u>Red buckeye (Aesculus pavia)</u>	<u>American Hornbeam (Carpinus caroliniana)</u>	<u>American Linden (Tilia americana)</u>	<u>American Sweet Gum (Liquidambar styraciflua, fruitless varieties like 'Hapdell' HAPPIDAZE)</u>
<u>Black Chokeberry (Aronia melanocarpa)</u>	<u>American smoke tree (Cotinus obovatus)</u>	<u>Black Gum (Nyssa sylvatica)</u>	<u>American Sycamore (Platanus occidentalis)</u>
<u>Cord Grass (Spartina pectinata)</u>	<u>Apple Serviceberry (Amelanchier × grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance')</u>	<u>European Hornbeam (Carpinus betulus)</u>	<u>Bald Cypress (Taxodium distichum)</u>
<u>Deciduous Holly; Possum Haw (Ilex decidua)</u>	<u>Downy Serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)</u>	<u>Red Maple (Acer rubrum)</u>	<u>Bur Oak (Quercus macrocarpa)</u>
<u>Downy serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)</u>	<u>Flowering Dogwood (Cornus florida)</u>	<u>River Birch (Betula nigra) - single trunks only</u>	<u>Chinkapin Oak (Quercus muehlenbergii)</u>
<u>Fragrant Sumac (Rhus aromatica)</u>	<u>Green hawthorn (Crataegus viridis)</u>	<u>Silver Linden (Tilia tomentosa)</u>	<u>Eastern White Pine (Pinus Strobus)</u>
<u>Golden Currant; Clove Currant (Ribes odoratum)</u>	<u>Hop hornbeam (Ostrya virginiana)</u>	<u>Western soapberry (Sapindus drummondii)</u>	<u>Ginkgo biloba (males only)</u>
<u>Ninebark (Physocarpus opulifolius)</u>	<u>Hop tree (Ptelea trifoliata)</u>	<u>Yellowwood (Cladrastis kentukea)</u>	<u>Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)</u>
<u>Smooth Hydrangea (Hydrangea arborescens)</u>	<u>Pagoda dogwood (Cornus alternifolia)</u>		<u>Honeylocust (Gleditsia triacanthos)</u>
<u>Spicebush (Lindera benzoin)</u>	<u>Redbud (Cercis canadensis)</u>		<u>Kentucky Coffeetree (Gymnocladus dioicus)</u>
<u>Switch Grass (Panicum virgatum)</u>	<u>Shadblow serviceberry (Amelanchier canadensis)</u>		<u>Little-leaf linden (Tilia cordata)</u>

<u>Viburnums, native selections</u>	<u>Sweet Bay Magnolia (Magnolia virginiana)</u>		<u>London Plane tree (Platanus x acerifolia)</u>
<u>Wahoo (Euonymus atropurpureus)</u>	<u>Wild Plum (Prunus virginiana)</u>		<u>Overcup Oak (Quercus lyrata)</u>
<u>Witch hazel (Hamamelis virginiana)</u>			<u>Red Oak (Quercus rubra)</u>
<u>Other native grasses</u>			<u>Shagbark hickory (Carya ovata)</u>
			<u>Shumard Oak (Quercus shumardii)</u>
			<u>Swamp Chestnut (Quercus michauxii)</u>
			<u>Swamp White Oak (Quercus bicolor)</u>
			<u>Tulip Tree (Liriodendron tulipifera)</u>
			<u>Willow Oak (Quercus phellos)</u>

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SECTION 4. That all other parts and provisions of the City Code shall be in full force and effect unless previously or subsequently amended or repealed.

SECTION 5. That correction of any scrivener’s errors identified within these articles are hereby authorized by this ordinance.

PASSED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

 Presiding Officer of the City Council
 of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

 City Clerk

APPROVED - FORM AND LEGALITY:

 City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager

NOTE: Words struck through are being removed by this ordinance and words underscored and bolded are being added by this ordinance.