



July 27, 2020

Mr. James Hogue
Village Planner
Village of Long Grove
3110 Old McHenry Road
Long Grove, IL 60047

RE: Philip Estates Subdivision
Preliminary Landscape/Existing Tree Survey & Preservation Plan Review

Dear Jim,

I have reviewed the Preliminary Landscape and Existing Tree Survey & Preservation Plan by Allen L. Kracower & Associates, Inc., dated 2-1-20, for the proposed Philip Estates Subdivision, as requested. The following are my observations and recommendations.

1. I will have to review the existing trees in the field to verify the data shown in the Existing Tree Survey.
2. The species of the proposed plantings are in general conformance with recommended acceptable species within the Village of Long Grove.
3. I would recommend the final Landscape plan include a detail that shows there will be a minimum of 6"-8" of topsoil within 2' of the outside edge of all root ball holes within the mass graded areas, such as the right of way. The top third of the root ball should be free of the metal basket, twine, rope and burlap after installation. Trees should be planted so that the top 2" of the root ball is above existing grade.
4. I would also recommend a Landscape Maintenance Specification to maintain the spirit and intent of the approved Landscape Plan. A schedule showing when the tree, shrub, prairie and wetland plantings will be installed, watered, pruned, mulched and otherwise maintained, to reach establishment, should also be included. All proposed plantings should be required to be replaced if in poor condition or dead, by whomever will maintain the common areas.
5. I will have to review the final grading and utility plans to determine which existing trees may require mitigation due to construction impacts.

I will follow up after my review of the existing trees has been completed.

Sincerely,
URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT, INC.

Todd R. Sinn
Senior Forester