

Resolution No. 05-03-14
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BOARD OF MANAGERS

For

Chevy Chase Village, MD

Subject: Establishment of a list of “Tree Species of Little Value”, pursuant to Sec. 17-3 (c) of the Village’s Urban Forest Ordinance

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Chevy Chase Village to protect, preserve and promote its urban forest; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers has found that the regulation of trees in the Village would protect and preserve the Village’s rights, property and privileges; preserve peace and good order; secure persons and property from danger and destruction; and is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of Chevy Chase Village as well as to protect the health, comfort and convenience of Village residents; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2012, the Board of Managers of Chevy Chase Village adopted an ordinance to allow for the establishment of a list of trees of certain species that are not particularly desirable; and

WHEREAS, the Village Tree Committee has reviewed other jurisdictions’ policies and on May 12, 2014 submitted to the Board of Managers a recommended a list of certain tree species that are not particularly desirable.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Managers for Chevy Chase Village on this 12th day of May, 2014 hereby adopts the following as the Village's list of "undesirable trees" pursuant to Sec. 17-3 (c) of the Village's Urban Forest Code:

Chevy Chase Village "Undesirable" Trees List

Mulberry – *Morus alba*

Reason – These trees grow rapidly and have weak wood. They become very hazardous when large.

Boxelder – *Acer negundo*

Reason – These trees grow rapidly and have weak wood. They become very hazardous when large.

Bradford Pear - *Pyrus calleryana* 'Bradford'

Reason – The Bradford Pear has poor branch structure that causes failure of the tree as it matures and becomes large.

Tree of Heaven - *Ailanthus altissima*

Reason – Tree of Heaven is a very fast growing tree with weak wood, is prone to excessive breakage, very messy and invasive to other trees.

Leyland Cypress – *Cupressus x leylandii*

Reason - Planted as a quickly growing screening tree. Matures to a large tree with the base branches dying back, no longer providing screening and very hazardous near homes in wind, ice, and snowstorms.

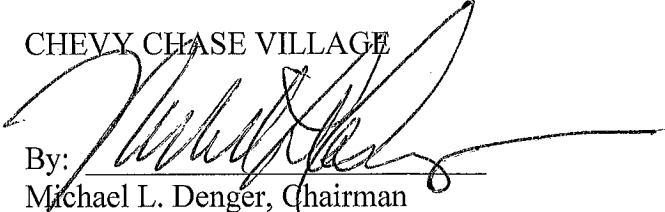
False Cypress – *Chamaecyparis* spp

Reason – Planted as a screening tree. Matures to a large tree with the base branches dying back, no longer providing screening and very hazardous near homes in wind, ice, and snowstorms.

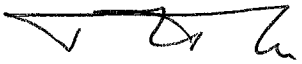
Arborvitae – Thuja occidentalis

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By: 
Michael L. Denger, Chairman
Board of Managers

ATTEST:


Richard M. Ruda, Secretary
Board of Managers