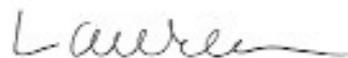


July 10, 2025

Re: Riva Ridge Tree Removal Proposal

Here are 14 copies of the 2025 Riva Ridge Tree Removal Proposal. If there are any questions please contact me.

Thanks so much.



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## ***Riva Ridge Tree Removal Request***

***June 2025***

Riva Ridge is a townhome community that has, over the last eight years, removed several hundred mature trees due to a severe decline in the health of those trees. In addition to the declining health of the trees at Riva Ridge is the fact that this community was severely over-planted when it was originally built in the late 1980's. Now that the trees are mature, they are competing for space. The trees suffer from easy transmission of disease due to this close proximity. Most affected by this are the Austrian Pines. Many were affected by diplodia blight and though the community sprayed the trees for years, the pines steadily declined.

Diplodia blight was followed by the Emerald Ash Borer which infected the Ash trees in our community. There were only a few Ash trees initially affected that needed to be removed. We started early and continue to treat our Ash trees and have been largely successful in the ongoing injection program of those trees. Lastly, we have added a program to treat the spruce trees this year. We are spraying all of the Spruce trees as a prophylactic measure in treating diseases specific to evergreens.

Adding to the declining condition of the trees, several years of drought has further stressed the trees. Overall, we hope to slow the decline of the trees and achieve a "maintenance level" of tree removal. We have thinned out the trees in many places and continue to work on areas that are still overplanted and experiencing decline.

This year is the first season "post merger". We have combined our three independent associations into one association. Riva Ridge Residential Association 1, Riva Ridge Residential Association 2 and Riva Ridge Umbrella Association have been officially merged into Riva Ridge Condominiums.

As a result, the board was focused on expense control so that the monthly association fees for our homeowners didn't increase. Hence, this year we are asking to remove very few trees. We expect that we will see an increase in the number of trees requested in the future because the trees continue to decline or die. However, we still forecast a maintenance level of tree removal at approximately 40 trees a year. We are hoping that after a few years of that level of maintenance, barring any "catastrophic tree diseases", we will need to remove even fewer trees.

In the meantime, we continue to treat our ornamental trees twice a season, inject the ash trees every second or every third year and have begun treating our spruce trees to limit new damage from disease and pests. We are doing what we can when planting new trees to allow for good airflow and sun.

I invite your questions and appreciate your continued support.

Lauren Drew  
Riva Ridge

2025 Tree Removal Proposal

<i>Tree Number</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Condition</i>		<i>Address</i>	<i>Street</i>
115	Blue Spruce	20% - Critical	Remove in 2025	1213	Flamingo - Next to Balcony - Rear
144	crabapple	Dead	Remove in 2025	1203	Flamingo - Rear
146	crabapple	Dead	Remove in 2025	1203	Flamingo - Rear
789	Blue Spruce	80% - Growing into other tree	Remove in 2025	1315	Pimlico - Front
799	Austrian Pine	60% - Fair	Remove in 2025		Pimlico Parkway
800	Austrian Pine	40% - Poor	Remove in 2025		Pimlico Parkway
857	crabapple	40% - Poor	Remove in 2025	1332	Pimlico - Rear
881	Austrian Pine	0% - Dead	Remove in 2025	720	Ascot - Rear
983	Austrian Pine	0% - Dead	Remove in 2025	731	Ascot - Rear
1302	Green Ash	Diseased - EAB	Remove in 2025	923	Suffolk Court - Side
1319	Green Ash	Diseased - EAB	Remove in 2025	923	Suffolk Court - Side
1389	Hawthorn Species	40% - Poor	Remove in 2025	1414	Ruidoso - Rear
1476	Hawthorn Species	0% - Dead	Remove in 2025	1417	Ruidoso - Rear

Common Name  
General Tree Care

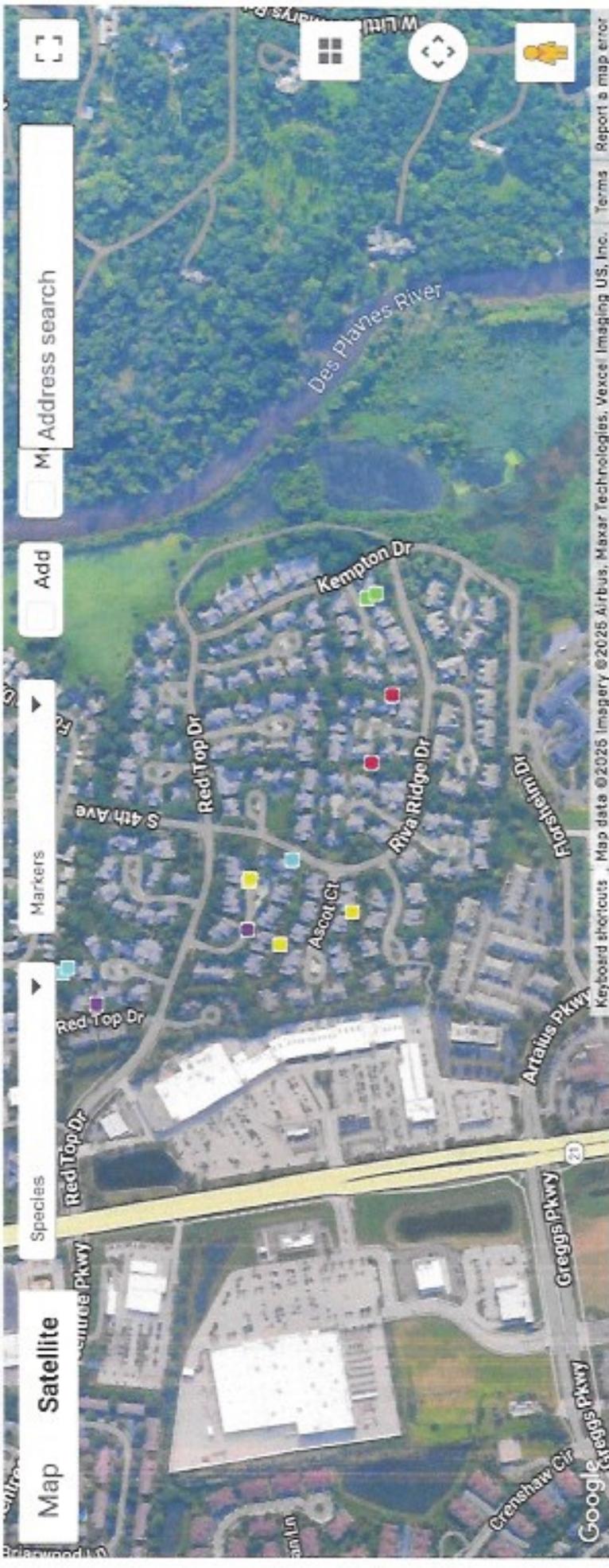
Remove in 2025

13 Trees

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**Project**  
Riva Ridge  
Trees



2025 Tree Replacement Proposal

Qty	Species	Address	Street	Location
1	Autumn Blaze Maple	1218	Gulfstream	Front
1	Red Bud	1310	Pimlico	Side
1	Red Horse Chestnut	731	Ascot	Rear
1	Black Hills Spruce	1301	Pimlico	Side/Front