



City of Napoleon, Ohio

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Re: Northcrest Circle Street Improvements
Northcrest Drive to Cul-de-Sac
Concrete Walk Installation

Mr. Thomas J. Brubaker,

It has come to our attention that a private tree may be damaged in the process of installation of sidewalks in front of your property. The sidewalks on Northcrest Circle are proposed to be eight (8) feet off of the back of curb except for the cul-de-sac properties where it is five (5) feet. This keeps the sidewalk one (1) foot inside the right-of-way and creates a larger treelawn between the sidewalk and curb. In placing the new sidewalks eight (8) feet from the back of curb some large roots from your private tree will need to be cut off for installation of the stone base and the sidewalk itself. It is the City's policy to not relocate the sidewalks around an existing tree or root base but to remove the tree or attempt to save the tree while keeping the sidewalks where they were proposed.

If the private tree shows significant signs of decline in the next two (2) years after the sidewalk installation, the City will remove the existing tree and stump at no cost to the homeowner. We have already noted that the smaller tree located just south of the driveway was already in serious decline before the project started and will not be removed by the City. If the tree in question does need to be removed the City shall plant new tree(s) in the treelawn in a timely manner at the homeowner's request. The number, location and species of the new trees shall be determined by the City and all maintenance for the trees shall be conducted by the City.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact us at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Martin Crossland
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cc: Monica Irelan, City Manager
Trevor M. Hayberger, Law Director
City Council & Mayor