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**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Ordinance 35-18

Introduced by: Mayor Buckley

Referred to

Environmental Matters Committee
Transportation Committee

AN ORDINANCE concerning

Pruning of Trees

FOR the purpose of increasing the discretionary height clearance for tree pruning in streets subject to truck traffic.

BY repealing and re-enacting with amendments the following portions of the Code of the City of Annapolis, 2018 Edition
14.12.150

SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

TITLE 14 - STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES

Chapter 14.12 - TREES

Section 14.12.150 - Pruning and removal of trees.

- A. No topping or dehorning of trees shall be permitted, except upon prior written approval of the department.
- B. All large, established trees shall be pruned to sufficient height to allow free passage for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, which shall be ten feet over a sidewalk and twelve feet over a street, except a street subject to truck traffic which, at the discretion of the department may have clearance of ~~thirteen~~fifteen feet. The department may waive the provisions of this section for a newly planted tree upon a determination that the tree does not interfere with public travel, obstruct the light of any street light, or endanger public safety.
- C. All dead wood, stubs, broken branches, badly formed branches, disease-infected and insect-infested branches, and branches interfering with public travel, lighting, existing buildings and traffic signs shall be removed during the trimming operation, with consideration given to the symmetry and beauty of the tree or shrub.
- D. All trees and shrubs in public areas which are marked for removal shall be removed completely from the growing site and disposed of in an authorized manner. The stump shall be removed to a depth suitable for future planting of trees or turf.
- E. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a municipal infraction and is subject to a fine as established by resolution of the City Council.

SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

EXPLANATION

Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Double Underlining indicates amendments.