

## TREE SPACING GUIDELINES

Tree locations exist among other right-of-way infrastructure. The placement of street trees in relationship to each other and other infrastructure is important for the health and vitality of the tree as well as the additional infrastructure.

The recommended desirable distances between street trees are species specific and range from twenty-five to forty feet. Please refer to the [UFD Street Tree Selection Guide](#). The recommended desirable distance between street trees for subdivision projects (for estimating purposes) is thirty feet. Specific tree spacing to be determined during the plan review and/or site assessment process.

<b>Street tree distances from other infrastructure are as follows:</b>	<b>FEET</b>
All Infrastructure Not Listed Below (Minimum distance from trunk)	4
Water Meter / Vaults	6
Catch Basins	6
Gas Meters	8
Driveway Aprons	8
Fire Hydrants	10
Transit Shelters	10
Pedestrian Lights	15
Street Lights	20
Electrical Power Poles	20
Alley Entrances	20
Approach to a Traffic Control Device in the Direction of Travel	50
Unsignalized Intersections (45 feet from point of curb line intersect)	45
Railroad Tracks	100

This information sheet is provided as a public service. Hopefully, it answers the important questions regarding street tree spacing. If you have any further questions, please contact us via phone at (213) 847-3077 or email at [bss.urbanforestry@lacity.org](mailto:bss.urbanforestry@lacity.org). This information and more can be found online at our website at [streets.lacity.gov](http://streets.lacity.gov).

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