HERITAGE TREE NOMINATION FORM

The City of Bainbridge Island welcomes your interest in nominating a tree to be included on the Heritage Tree Register. Individual trees or tree stands may be designated heritage trees because they exhibit valued, unique characteristics that set them apart from other similar trees. Heritage trees shall meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. Specimen: A tree of exceptional size, form or rarity.
2. Size: Any tree with a DBH of 36 inches or more.
3. Species: Locally important native trees or trees and tree stands that are associated with the character of the community. Species that are rare in the area, with the exception of nonnative, invasive tree species.
5. Historic, Cultural or Habitat Significance: Trees associated with notable local or regional historical or cultural events, persons, structures or landscapes. Trees planted as commemorative trees. Trees that serve as important habitat for valued wildlife.
6. Ecological Value: Trees or tree stands with high ecological value due to their location, size, species and/or condition.
7. Aesthetics: A tree with special aesthetic value due to its form or function it serves in the landscape (for example, a landmark pair of trees that frame an entrance).
8. Location: Trees valued for their particular location.

Any owner or member of the public may nominate a tree or tree stand for heritage status; however, the owner of the property on which the nominated tree is located must agree to the nomination by signing their consent on the nomination form. The Historic Preservation Commission will consider heritage tree nominations using this nomination form, attachments, and the heritage tree criteria to make their recommendation. Upon acceptance of a nomination, the Historic Preservation Commission will list the tree or tree stand on the City’s Heritage Tree Register.

The heritage tree or tree stand is retained by the property owner and does not become property or responsibility of the City. If requested, the City will provide the owner with a professional arborist’s assessment of the tree or tree stand. Heritage tree designation does not prohibit a property owner from developing a property and/or removing a heritage tree. The owner shall consult with the Historic Preservation Commission prior to removing a tree.

Please submit the nomination form and attachments to:

Attn: Historic Preservation Commission
Planning and Community Development
280 Madison Avenue N
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

OR

pcd@bainbridgewa.gov
NOMINATION INFORMATION:

Property nominated by: ________________________________

_____ Property Owner  Tax Parcel Number: ________________________________

_____ City  Genus: __________________Species: __________________

_____ Other  Diameter at Breast Height (DBH): ______ Age of Tree: ______

Nominator’s Names(s): ________________________________

Mailing Address: _______________________________________

Telephone: __________________________ Email Address: __________________________

Property Owner’s Name(s): ________________________________

Mailing Address: _______________________________________

Telephone: __________________________ Email Address: __________________________

I/we are the owners of said property and hereby acknowledge this nomination. I/we understand I/we reserve the right to withdraw this tree or tree stand from the register at any time we so choose.

Signed: __________________________ Date: __________

Printed: __________________________

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Describe reasons for nomination using the eight criteria listed on the first page:

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Submittal Items:

- Heritage Tree Nomination Form
- Site Plan showing the location of the trees on the property
- Current and Historic Photographs
- Historic Maps and Documents