

ELK RAPIDS TOWNSHIP, PLANNING COMMISSION
Notice Public Hearing
Tuesday, October 9, 2018

The Elk Rapids Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday October 9, 2018 at 6:30 PM at the Government Center, 315 Bridge Street, Elk Rapids, MI to consider the following amendment to the Elk Rapids Township Zoning Ordinance.

Amendment Number 2018-01

Amend Chapter 2, General Provisions, Section 2.11, RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO PROPERTY ABUTTING LAKES, RIVERS OR STREAMS; add New Sub-section 2.11-C to read as follows:

- C. In special situations, the Zoning Administrator may issue a Zoning Permit to grant the removal of a tree in the 25-foot protection zone for safety and health reasons. If the Zoning Administrator finds there is good cause for a tree to be removed from a property for the reasons outlined below, the property owner will be required to plant a replacement tree with a minimum caliper size of two (2) inches for a deciduous tree and six (6) feet in height for a conifer tree. In the event the Zoning Administrator questions the removal of a tree, the request may be referred to the Planning Commission for consideration.
1. The tree proposed for removal has been damaged by a storm or wind, or is diseased or dead and presents a safety hazard to the property or adjacent property. The root base of the tree shall not be removed for soil erosion purposes. For these specific situations, no tree replacement is required.
 2. The tree proposed for removal is a nuisance to the property owner due to tree sap that cause a reduction in enjoyment of the water front property. The root base of the tree shall not be removed for soil erosion purposes.

A copy of the Amendment text will be available for review at the Elk Rapids Township Office, 315 Bridge Street, Elk Rapids, MI during office hours.

Public comments in support of, or objection to, a request will be heard at the meeting, or may be made in writing addressed to the Planning Commission, P. O. Box 365, Elk Rapids, Michigan 49629.

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