

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, AMENDING THE BASTROP CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 14, THE BASTROP BUILDING BLOCK (B3) TECHNICAL MANUAL, TABLE 2.1.003 PREFERRED PLANT LIST AS ATTACHED IN EXHIBIT A; AND PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE, PROPER NOTICE, AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the City Council of the City of Bastrop has general authority to amend an ordinance that is for the good government, peace, or order of the City and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapters 211, 212, 214, and 217 the City Council of the City of Bastrop has general authority to regulate planning, zoning, subdivisions, trees and the construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these amendments are to replace the current preferred tree list with the tree list that was recommended by the Parks Board. This new list includes some trees that were missing as recommended by independent arborists and the community including the pecan tree. This new list also removes invasive trees from our current list.

WHEREAS, the City Council find that certain amendments to the aforementioned ordinances are necessary and reasonable to meet changing conditions and are in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. Finding of Fact: The facts and recitations set forth in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct.

Section 2. Amendment To Bastrop Building Block (B3) Technical Manual, TABLE 2.1.003 PREFERRED PLANT LIST of the Bastrop Building Code Technical Manual is hereby amended and shall read in accordance with Exhibit "A", which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes. Any struck-through text shall be deleted from the Code, as shown in each of the attachments.

Section 3. Severability. If any clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be unenforceable for any reason, such unenforceable clause or provision shall be severed from the remaining portion of the Ordinance, which shall continue to have full force and effect.

Section 4. Repeal. This Ordinance shall be and is hereby cumulative of all other ordinances of the City of Bastrop, Texas, and this Ordinance shall not operate to repeal or affect any of such other ordinances except insofar as the provisions thereof might be inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, in which event such conflicting provisions, if any, in such other Ordinances, are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its final passage and any publication in accordance with the requirements of the City of Bastrop and the laws of the State of Texas.

READ & ACKNOWLEDGED on First Reading on this the 11th day of February 2025.

READ & ADOPTED on Second Reading on this the 25th day of February 2025.

APPROVED:

by: 
John Kirkland, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


City Secretary
Victoria Bencik, Assistant City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney



EXHIBIT A

TABLE 2.1.003 PLANT LIST

Native Trees		Invasive Trees		Acceptable Non-Native Plants	
American Elm	Ulmus americana	Ash (all except Texas Ash)	Fraxinus Sp.	Apple	Malus sp.
Bald Cypress	Taxodium distichum	Australian Pine	Casuarina equisetifolia	Crepe Myrtle	Lagerstroemia sp.
Bigtooth Maple	Acer grandidentatum	Beach Sheoak	Casuarina equisetifolia	Fig	Ficus sp.
Black Jack Oak	Quercus marilandica	Bottlebrush Tree	Melaleuca quinquenervia	Grape	Vitis Sp.
Box Elder	Acer negundo	Brazilian Pepper Tree	Schinus tevabintifolius	Loquat	Eriobotrya japonica
Bur Oak	Quercus macrocarpa	Camphor Tree	Cinnamomum camphora	Peach, Plum	Prunus sp.
Cedar Elm	Ulmus crassifolia	Carrotwood Tree	Cupaniopsis anacardiodes	Pear	Pyrus sp.
Chinquapin Oak	Quercus muhlenbergii	China Berry	Melia azedarach	Pomegranate	Punica granatum
Desert Willow	Chilopsis linearis	Chinese Elm	Ulmus pumila	Rose	Rosa sp.
Eastern Cottonwood	Populus deltoides	Chinese Parasol	Firmiana simplex	Zoysia Grass	Zoysia sp.
Eastern Red Cedar	Juniperus virginiana	Chinese Parasol Tree	Firmiana simplex		
Gum Bumelia	Sideroxylon lanuginosum	Chinese Pistache	Pistacia chinensis		
Hackberry	Celtis laevigata	Chinese Tallow	Triadica sebifera		
Live Oak	Quercus virginiana	Chinese Wisteria	Wisteria sinensis		
Loblolly Pine	Pinus taeda	Golden Rain Tree	Koelreuteria paniculata	Native Landscaping Plants	
Mexican Buckeye	Ungnadia speciosa	Ligustrum, Privet	Ligustrum lucidum, Ligustrum sp.	Evergreen Sumac	Rhus virens
Mexican Plumb	Prunus mexicana	Mimosa Tree	Albizia julibrissin	Eve's Necklace	Styphnolobium affine
Osage Orange	Maclura pomifera	Paper Mulberry	Broussonetia papyrifera	Flameleaf Sumac	Rhus lanceolata
Pecan	Carya illinoensis	Peepul Tree	Ficus religiosa	Mountain Laurel	Sophora secundiflora
Post Oak	Quercus stellata	Popinac	Leucaena leucocephala	Possumhaw	Ilex decidua
Ratama, Paloverde	Parkinsonia aculeate	Princess Tree	Paulownia tomentosa	Red Buckeye	Aesculus pavia
Red Bud	Cercis canadensis var. texensis	Russian, Autumn Olive	Elaeagnus unbellata	Southern Wax Myrtle	Myrica cerifera
Red Maple	Acer rubrum	Salt Cedar	Tamarix sp.	Texas Buckeye	Aesculus glabra
Red Mulberry	Morus rubra	Tree of Heaven	Ailanthus altissima	Texas Lantana	Lantana urticoides
Roughleaf Dogwood	Cornus drummondii	True Cedar Tree	Cedrus sp.	Yellow Bells	Tecoma stans
Southern Catalpa	Catalpa bignonioides	Vitex	Vitex agnus-castus		
Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis				
Texas Ash	Fraxinus texensis	Invasive Landscaping Plants and Grasses			
Texas Hickory	Carya texana	Japanese Honeysuckle	Lonicera japonica	Native Landscaping Grasses	
Texas Persimmon	Diospyros texana	Nandina	Nandina domestica	Buffalo Grass	Bouteloua dactyloides
Texas Red Oak	Quercus texana	Lantana	Lantana camera	Curly Mesquite	Hilaria berlanderi
Texas Walnut	Juglans microcarpa	Bermuda Grass	Cynodon dactylon	Little Bluestem	Schizachyrium scoparium
Toothache Tree	Zanthoxylum hirsutum	Buffelgrass	Cenchrus ciliaris	Inland Sea Oats	Chasmanthium latifolium
Western Soapberry	Sapindus saponaria var. drummondii	Common Reed	Phragmites australis	SideOats Gramma	Bouteloua curtipendula
Wild Cherry	Prunus serotina	English Ivy	Hedera helix	Muhly Grasses	Muhlenbergia sp.
Winged Elm	Ulmus alata	Giant Reed	Arundo donax	Eastern Gamma Grass	Tripsacum dactyloides
		Bamboo	Phyllostachys sp., Bambusa sp.	Indian Grass	Sorghastrum nutans
		Multiflora rose	Rosa multiflora		
		Rose of Sharon	Hibiscus syriacus		
		Annual Bluegrass	Poa annua		
		Carpet Grass	Axonopus sp.		
		Rye Grass	Lolium Sp		
		Red Fescue	Festuca rubra		