

ORDINANCE NO 910

BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

November 18, 2014

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TREES ON BOROUGH PROPERTY,
BOROUGH RIGHT OF WAY, OR BOROUGH EASEMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH.**

SECTION 1: Supervision of Work on Trees

All pruning, trimming, cutting and removal of planted trees shall be done under the supervision and direction of the Tree Commission and by no one else.

SECTION 2: Injuring or Defacing Trees

Injuring or defacing trees is prohibited. No person shall in any manner injure, disfigure the bark or any portion of planted trees.

SECTION 3: Damage to Trees with Chemical or Fire

Damage to trees with chemicals or fire is prohibited. No person shall place on or near or about a tree any liquids, chemicals or other substances or fire which might injure or damage any of said trees or dig in which trees are growing without permission, in writing, from the Tree Commission.

SECTION 4: Tree Climbing

Tree climbing is prohibited. No person shall climb onto, in, or about, whether by means of ladders or otherwise, any of the trees, in such a manner as to damage them.

SECTION 5: Moving of Trees

No person shall remove, relocate, or in any manner change the location or position of any of said trees, except under the supervision and direction of the Tree Commission.

SECTION 6: Trees on Private Property

It is the duty of any person or persons owning or occupying real property bordering on any street upon which there may be trees to provide in such a manner that they will not obstruct utilities (power lines or street lights), the passage of pedestrians on sidewalks, vision or traffic signs, or any street or drivable intersection.

SECTION 7: Diseased Trees on Private Property

It shall be the duty of any person or persons owning or occupying real property bordering on any street, park or other public land, on which may be trees that are diseased or insect infested, to remove, spray, or treat such trees in such a manner that they will not eject, damage, or endanger any nearby public vegetation or citizens of the area.

SECTION 8: Abuse of Public Trees

No person shall intentionally damage, cut, transplant, carve or remove any tree, attach any wire, rope, advertisements, nails, posters, or other apparatus to any tree, allow any gaseous liquid or solid substance which is deemed harmful to trees to come in contact with them, or set fire or permit any fire to heat to the extent that it would injure any portion of the tree.

SECTION 9: Enforcement and Penalties

Any person, firm or corporation in violation of compliance with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereby shall be fined a sum no less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) or may be imprisoned for a term not to exceed sixty (60) days or both.

ORDAINED and ENACTED this 18th day of Nov. 2014.

ATTEST:

BY: Eileen Navick

BOROUGH OF EAST PITTSBURGH

BY: Dennis J. Simon
President of Council

APPROVED by me the 18th day of Nov. 2014

Louis J. Payne
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Eileen Navick, hereby certify that I am the Secretary of East Pittsburgh Borough, and that the within ordinance was enacted at a regular meeting of Borough Council duly convened, at which a quorum was present and voted in favor thereof.

Certified this 18th day of November 2014.

Eileen Navick
Borough Secretary
