



DRAPER CITY

1020 Pioneer Road Draper, UT 84020

TREE RETENTION, RELEASE, INDEMNITY, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

Property Address: _____

Tree Location: Park strip/right-of-way adjacent to public sidewalk (see attached photo)

I/We, the undersigned owner(s) of the above property, in consideration of Draper City ("City") agreeing to my/our request to retain the tree instead of removing it, hereby acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. I understand that severing the tree's roots to repair the sidewalk will likely cause significant stress to the tree and may result in one or more of the following: gradual decline and death of the tree, structural instability, increased risk of windthrow or limb failure, and/or future root regrowth that will again damage the sidewalk.
2. I voluntarily assume all risks associated with root pruning/severing and the continued presence of the tree, including but not limited to:
 - **Death or decline of the tree,**
 - **Personal injury or property damage caused by falling limbs, trunk failure, or uprooting,**
 - **Future damage to the public sidewalk and any repair costs the City may assess against me,**
 - **All costs of future tree removal, stump grinding, and sidewalk repairs.**
3. On behalf of myself, my heirs, successors, assigns, guests, and anyone claiming through me, I hereby fully and forever release, discharge, and covenant not to sue Draper City, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, and contractors from any and all claims, liabilities, demands, damages, costs (including attorney fees), or causes of action of any kind arising out of or related to the root pruning/severing, the condition or failure of the tree, or any damage caused by the tree now or in the future.
4. I agree to defend (with legal counsel reasonably acceptable to the City), indemnify, and hold harmless Draper City and the persons and entities listed in paragraph 3 from any claims, lawsuits, judgments, or liabilities brought by third parties arising from the continued presence, condition, or failure of the tree after root pruning/severing.
5. If the tree dies, becomes hazardous, or must be removed for any reason, I agree to remove the tree, stump, and all major roots **at my sole expense within thirty (30) days of written notice from the City**. If I fail to do so, the City may remove the tree and bill me for all costs incurred, which shall become a lien against the property if unpaid.

6. This Agreement is binding upon me and my heirs, successors, and assigns and shall run with the land. Draper City shall record this Agreement in the Salt Lake County Recorder's office.

I have read this Agreement carefully, understand that I am giving up substantial legal rights, and sign it freely and voluntarily without duress.

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Co-Owner Signature (if applicable): _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of Utah)

County of Salt Lake)

On this ___ day of _____, 20___, before me personally appeared the above-signed person(s), known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed above, and acknowledged that they executed this Agreement for the purposes stated herein.

NOTARY PUBLIC