

**June 19, 2018**

**TO: ALL OAKSTEAD HOMEOWNERS AND RESIDENTS**

**FR: OAKSTEAD HOA BOARD  
OAKSTEAD CDD BOARD**

On June 12<sup>th</sup>, the Pasco County Fire Rescue Department served notice to the Oakstead HOA and the Oakstead CDD that the community is in violation of ordinance FFPC1:18.2.3.4.1.2. This ordinance establishes a minimum street tree clearance of 13 feet 6 inches. The complaint further indicated that corrective action must be taken by July 1<sup>st</sup> and, failure to resolve the issue would result in a \$518 per tree fine. The OHOA, in partnership with the CDD met with Deputy Fire Chief J. Frum on June 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the specifics of the violation and to formulate a solution that is acceptable with the County. The result of that meeting is as follows

- The CDD will contract AZ Tree Services to identify and trim all street trees inside the gates of each village to a minimum street clearance of 14 feet. Additionally, the Fire Department requires the clearance to be at least a 12-foot-wide (6 feet on each side from center of the street)
- Once the project is finished and approved by Pasco Fire, the CDD will submit a detailed bill by address to the OHOA for reimbursement.
- The HOA will notify each affected homeowner by mail and add the \$125 cost per tree to their account. As a reminder and per the Declaration of Covenants, homeowners are responsible to maintain the right of way and the landscaping thereon.
- The project will begin the first week in July, and it is critical that vehicles do not block access to the street trees during this time.
- Going forward, and as required by the Declaration of Covenants, the homeowner is obligated to maintain the tree to satisfy the height clearance requirements. Please note that the height clearance requirement will now be 13.5 feet on the side and 7 feet on the sidewalk side.

