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December 31, 2012

Priscilla B. & Thomas Hennessey
83 Murray Street
Portland, ME 04103

RE: Replacement trees for replanting within Shoreland Stream protected area.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Hennessey,

I have been in email contact with Jeff Tarling, the arborist for the City of Portland, and he has confirmed that *Acer rubrum* 'Red Sunset' (Red Maple) is an acceptable species for replanting within the protected buffer. A 2" caliper (trunk diameter) size tree is his suggested planting size.

Your cost per 2" caliper red maple will be \$295.00, and I can coordinate an area landscaper to plant them for you in April or May when the trees arrive. Their planting services will cost approximately \$130-150 per tree.

Thank you for patience, and please let me know if you have other questions.

Sincerely,

Timothy Bate, Nursery Manager
Skillin's Greenhouses

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From: Skillins Greenhouse [skillins@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 26, 2012 3:44 PM
To: 'Jeff Tarling'
Subject: RE: regarding replanting under Land Use Ordinance for City of Portland

Jeff,

Thanks for the quick reply. I should have included the address in my initial email. It is 83 Murray Street, Portland.

Thanks again.

Tim
Skillin's Greenhouses
207-781-3860

From: Jeff Tarling [mailto:JST@portlandmaine.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 26, 2012 2:01 PM
To: Skillins Greenhouse
Subject: Re: regarding replanting under Land Use Ordinance for City of Portland

Hi Tim -

Do you know their address? Typically, we try to match any existing tree or forest type if applicable. Red Maple and other 'native' tree types would be acceptable, some areas are easier to plant than others. Two inch caliper is a good start if the access works.

Have a good holiday, snow and all.

Jeff

>>> "Skillins Greenhouse" <skillins@maine.rr.com> 12/26/2012 1:52 PM >>>
Hi Jeff,

I hope Christmas went well for you and the end of the year is restful. It is hard to believe another year is soon dawning.

Skillin's has some customers, Priscilla and Tom Hennessey, that cut trees down near their home, not realizing they lived next to a protected area under the Shoreland Stream Ordinance. They received a letter from the Zoning Administrator, Marge Schmuckal, explaining that they needed to apply for a site plan review and to provide the City with a replanting schedule for the vegetation removal. The Zoning Administrator requires that all trees replanted are accepted by you, the City's arborist. The planting area is near the top of a 75' slope down to a storm water runoff drain, and I have suggested *Acer rubrum* as a good and economical replacement for that area.

I have 2 questions for you. First, is that tree acceptable to you for replanting, and second, do you know what the caliper or height requirement is for replanting under the ordinance?

Thank you in advance for your guidance in this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Timothy Bate, Nursery Manager
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