

DOWNTOWN SPOKANE STREET TREES



CUSTOM TREE GRATES

☞ Increase your property's curb appeal ☜

UNIT SPECIFICATIONS:

- Locally manufactured by Hern Iron Works www.hernironworks.com
- Features two knock-out rings for up-light housings (Please specify when ordering)
- 1' tree opening and four tree growth rings accommodate trees of up to 21" diameter
- Custom 47" sq width to accommodate standard Downtown tree well openings.
- Custom 3" seating depth, which allows grate to sit on pre-existing metal frame.**
- Significantly enhances access to tree irrigation system compared to current concrete pads.

DESIGN ELEMENTS:



- Features the Spokane Falls along with the Monroe St Bridge and sunburst element designed by renowned local architect Kirtland Cutter.
- 2-piece cast iron construction with standard inscription "Downtown Spokane 1881"
- Can be further customized with the name of the building and construction year.

PRICE:

- Base price of \$625/unit, includes shipping ***
- Customization price for building name and date inscription, additional \$53/unit.
- Volume discount available for minimum orders – please ask.

***1/2 cost (\$312.50) is eligible for reimbursement as part of the Downtown Street Tree and/or Tree Grate Replacement Grant.

DELIVERY & INSTALLATION**:

Andrew Rolwes of the Downtown Spokane Partnership (509-456-0580 x109) will notify property contact of arrival - two installation options are available:

- Building maintenance personnel receive new grates, remove concrete tree covers, cut tree growth rings to size if needed, and place new grates and dispose of remaining concrete.

-Or-

- Grates are received, installed, and concrete disposed of by arborist Paul Heindl for an additional \$150+/unit (not eligible for reimbursement). Please advise Andrew if this is the preferred option.

****This project only includes the grates themselves and does not include any structural elements of the tree well – some tree well frames are corroded and may result in additional expense to the property owner/manager.**

DOWNTOWN STREET TREE AND/OR TREE GRATE REPLACEMENT GRANT

 **Create a sense of place, so customers stay** 

Healthy street trees are a vital element in any thriving Downtown – they provide shade, clean air, and a sense of scale to the urban streetscape. Approximately 500 locations in the Downtown core are suitable for street trees, with many spaces empty or containing trees of poor health.

To address the large number of declining trees Downtown, the City of Spokane has made funds available to the Downtown Spokane Partnership (DSP) to assist property owners in taking steps to improve their street trees. The DSP is actively seeking property owners within the designated district in the Downtown core that are interested in improving their existing trees or replacing dead, dying, or missing street trees to participate in this street tree and/or grate grant program, which makes two options available for property owners:

1. TREE GRATE REPLACEMENT

- The DSP will reimburse property owners half the purchase price* of each approved new Downtown custom metal tree grates that replace existing concrete lids, per approved tree location within the designated district.
- Once new tree grates are purchased and installed, provide a receipt copy to DSP staff and the property owner will be reimbursed upon approval.*
- All required permits are the responsibility of the property owner and copies shall be provided prior to reimbursement.
**Does not include any labor to install tree grate.*

2. STREET TREE REPLACEMENT

- The DSP will reimburse property owners for the purchase price* of each approved new tree planted in adjoining sidewalk tree vaults, which replaces a dead or declining tree, per approved tree location within the designated district.
- The property owner will be required to pay for any/all site prep and labor costs.
- All required permits are the responsibility of the property owner and copies shall be provided prior to reimbursement.
- All tree work must be conducted by a certified arborist.
- Property owner must advise DSP on date of tree planting so that City of Spokane Water Dept crew can be on hand to conduct irrigation system check and replace old sprinkler heads.
- Property owner is solely responsible for the health of the tree.
- NOTE: If a dead or declining street tree is being replaced and an approved tree grate is not already in place, purchase of an approved Downtown custom metal tree grate is a requirement and reimbursement of half the cost* of the new tree grate will be provided upon approval.
**Does not include any labor to plant tree or install tree grate.*

PROCEDURE:

- Applications will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.
- Property owner completes and submits initial application form.
- Each application must be accompanied by proof of ownership of the property adjacent to the trees to be replaced (last recorded deed or title report).
- DSP staff and City of Spokane's Urban Forester review the site for existing conditions.
- DSP staff notifies property owner of grant eligibility.
- Property owner obtains all required permits and executes agreed upon street tree work.
- Once receipt copies are provided to DSP, DSP staff will conduct a final check of work and reimburse the property owner for agreed upon costs*.
- Upon final approval for each tree, participating property owners within the designated district will be eligible for reimbursement of the cost of the tree* and/or half the cost of the tree grate.*
**Does not include any labor to plant tree or install tree grate.*

DOWNTOWN STREET TREE AND/OR TREE GRATE REPLACEMENT GRANT

Application (to be completed by property owner)

Property Owner's Name: _____

Address of Property: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Number of tree locations: _____

Street(s) on which trees would be planted: _____

I acknowledge all of the terms of this application agreement and that the Downtown Spokane Partnership is not responsible for any direct costs or labor for tree planting or tree grate installation or ongoing maintenance.

Signature of Property Owner

Date Signed

Return this form along with proof of ownership to:

Andrew Rolwes
Downtown Spokane Partnership
211 N. Wall St., Ste. 300
Spokane Washington, 99201
arolwes@downtownspokane.net
509-456-0580 x109

DID YOU KNOW?

- For well streetscaped trees in a business district, participants in multiple surveys indicated they are willing to: travel further, pay more for parking, and stay longer.
- Large canopy street trees help reduce building cooling costs and extend the life of asphalt and pavement.
- Street trees cool and shade Downtown's sidewalks, encouraging shoppers to stay longer.
- Large street trees create a strong "sense-of-place," soften the urban landscape, and are a competitive advantage for Downtown.
- Street trees positively influence the distance people are willing to travel to shop in Downtown.
- Consumers claimed they were willing to pay 9% more in small cities and 12% more in large cities for equivalent goods and services in business districts with an urban forest.

- Wolf, K. *"The Environmental Psychology of Shopping"* ICSC Research Review, Vol. 14, No. 3, 2007