1. All trees not located within the limits of construction and outside of disturbed areas shall be preserved. The contractor is responsible for protecting all trees to be preserved from his activities.

2. All trees shown to be retained within the limits of construction on the plans shall be protected during construction with fencing, see tree protection tree wells (EC-02), tree protection tree location (EC-03) and tree protection fence—chain link (EC-04).

3. Tree protection fences shall be erected according to city standards for tree protection, including types of fencing and signage.

4. Tree protection fences shall be installed prior to the commencement of any site preparation work (clearing, grubbing, or grading) and shall be maintained throughout all phases of the construction project.

5. Erosion and sedimentation control barriers shall be installed or maintained in a manner which does not result in soil build-up within tree driplines.

6. Fences shall completely surround the tree or clusters of trees, located at the outer limits of the tree branches (dripline) or critical root zone (CRZ), whichever is greater; and shall be maintained throughout the construction project in order to prevent the following:
   a. Soil compaction in CRZ area resulting from vehicular traffic or storage of equipment or material.
   b. CRZ disturbances due to grade changes or trenching not reviewed and authorized by the forestry manager.

7. Wounds to exposed roots, trunk, or limbs by mechanical equipment.

8. Other activities detrimental to trees such as chemical storage, concrete truck cleaning, and fires.

9. Exceptions to installing tree fences at the tree driplines or CRZ, whichever is greater, may be permitted in the following cases:
   a. Where there is to be an approved grade change, impermeable paving surface, or tree well;
   b. Where permeable paving is to be installed, erect the fence at the outer limits of the permeable paving area.
   c. Where trees are close to proposed buildings, erect the fence no closer than 6 feet to the building.
   d. Where there are severe space constraints due to tract size, or other special requirements, contact the forestry manager to discuss alternatives.

10. Where any of the above exceptions result in a fence that is closer than 5 feet to a tree trunk, the trunk shall be protected by strapped-on planking to a height of 8 feet (or to the limits of lower branches, in addition to the reduced fencing provided).

11. Where any of the above exceptions result in areas of unprotected root zones under the dripline or CRZ, whichever is greater, those areas should be covered with 4 inches of organic mulch to minimize soil compaction.

12. All grading within CRZ areas shall be done by hand or with small equipment to minimize root damage. Prior to grading, relocate protective fencing to 2 feet behind the grade change area.

13. Any roots exposed by construction activity shall be pruned flush with the soil and backfilled with good quality soil within two days. If exposed root areas cannot be backfilled within 2 days, an organic material which reduces soil temperature and minimizes water loss due to evaporation shall be placed to cover the roots until backfill can occur.

14. Prior to excavation or grade cutting within tree driplines, a clean cut shall be made with a rock saw or similar equipment, in a location and to a depth approved by the forestry manager, to minimize damage to remaining trees.

15. Trees most heavily impacted by construction activities will be watered deeply once a week during periods of hot, dry weather. Tree crowns are to be sprayed with water periodically to reduce dust accumulation on leaves.

16. When installing concrete adjacent to the root zone of a tree, a plastic vapor barrier shall be placed behind the concrete to prohibit leaching of moisture into the CRZ.

17. Any trenching required for the installation of landscape irrigation shall be placed as far from existing tree trunks as possible.

18. No landscape topsoil dressing greater than four (4) inches shall be permitted within the dripline or CRZ of trees, whichever is greater. No topsoil is permitted on root flares of any tree.

19. Pruning to provide clearance for structures, vehicular traffic, and construction equipment shall take place before construction begins. All pruning must be done according to city standards and as outlined in literature provided by the international society of arboriculture (ISA pruning techniques).

20. All oak tree cuts, intentional or unintentional, shall be sealed with an approved pruning sealer immediately (within 10 minutes). Tree paint must be kept on site at all times.

21. The forestry manager has the authority to require additional tree protection before or during construction.

22. Trees approved for removal shall be removed in a manner which does not impact trees to be preserved. Refer to the city of round rock tree technical manual for appropriate removal methods.

23. Prior to construction, all lower tree limbs over roadways must be pruned to a height of 14 feet using the techniques described in the city of round rock tree technical manual.

24. Deviations from the above requirements and negligent damage to trees may be considered as ordinance violations.