
7.7.2 Intent.

- A. The intent of these regulations is to achieve and maintain an average minimum of 30 percent tree canopy coverage citywide from preserved trees and newly planted trees, and to promote a multi-aged urban forest. Specifically, to achieve the city's goal of a city-wide average tree canopy cover of at least 30 percent, the following goals are established for specific areas of the city based upon the unique ecoregions present in different areas of the city:
 - 1. For areas east of the Interstate 35/Interstate 35-W corridor, where the Cross Timbers ecoregions is more prevalent, the minimum canopy goal shall be 40 percent coverage.
 - 2. For areas west of the Interstate 35/Interstate 35-W corridor, where the Grand Prairie ecoregion is more prevalent, the minimum canopy goal shall be 20 percent coverage.
- B. These regulations are intended to promote the functional distribution of that canopy throughout various land uses as development occurs through a combination of planting and retention goals and requirements for tree canopy cover.