Undesirable Trees

The Tree Board is dedicated to keeping our community's environment healthy and beautiful. To help with this, we've made a list of trees that we do not recommend for planting in public spaces or new developments. Although homeowners can still plant these trees on their private property, the village will not use them in public projects and advises against including them in future plans. We chose these trees because they may be invasive, easily get diseases, need too much maintenance, or harm local ecosystems. Our goal is to make sure our village has a strong and healthy community forest for many years to come.

Additionally, New York Department of Transportation already maintains a list of invasive trees that should not be planted. We agree with their expert assessment and refer everyone here: https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/engineering/environmental-analysis/landscape/trees/is-vegetation

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- Callery Pear (*Pyrus calleryana*)
  For more information, see:
  https://www.purdue.edu/fnr/extension/invasive-bradford-callery-pear-why-it-is-so-detrimental/
- Norway Maple (*Acer platanoides*)
- Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)
- Russian Olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*)
- Smooth Buckthorn (*Rhamnus frangula or Rhamnus cathartica*)
- Black Locust (*Robinia pseudoacacia*).