This letter is to inform you that in our continuing efforts to slow the spread of Dutch elm disease, Plymouth’s City Forester (or Certified Tree Inspector) has marked with orange paint and condemned the elm tree(s) because they’re diseased, dying or dead. Hennepin County records indicate that you own or serve as the agent for the property listed above; if you are not the property owner, please contact the Parks & Forestry Division immediately at 763-509-5944.

The condemned tree(s) are a nuisance per Minnesota Statute Chapter 89 and Plymouth City Code Section 2020.01-19 (2008). You are required to remove this nuisance **within the 30 (thirty) calendar days after this letter was sent, (the due date on the “2017 Tree Inspection” sheet)**. All condemned wood must be disposed of or debarked **within the 30 day limit** and stumps must be cut as close to the ground as possible. After the 30 day time limit expires, the City-hired contractor will be authorized to remove the trees. This will result in the City charging the property owner for contracted removal, plus an administrative fee and tax.

**Options of disposal include:**
1. You or your hired contractor may dispose of condemned wood free of charge at the City Yard Waste Site located at 14900 23rd Ave. N. This site is opened from 7:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. You must stop in at the office prior to dumping.
2. Place the tree(s) at your curbside (read instructions carefully) and the City Contractor will pick up and dispose of the wood for a fee of $150.
3. You may bring your condemned tree(s) in during regular yard waste site hours. Brush and logs are ground for mulch and/or energy.

Please call us upon the removal of your condemned tree(s) at 763-509-5944. Thank you for your help in preventing the spread of Dutch elm disease in Plymouth. I greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul Buck, City Forester
763-509-5944