

CHRISTMAS TREE LOTS



What Use does a Tree Lot fall under? Tree lots fall under Sales Level 1 defined in GHMC [17.04.709](#) as general sales.



Where are the zones this is allowed in? Tree Lots are permitted in the DB (Downtown Business), B-1 (Neighborhood Commercial), B-2 (General Business), C-1 (Commercial), PCD-C (Planned Community Development Commercial) & WC (Waterfront Commercial) zones. The RB-1 (Residential & Business), ED (Employment District) & PCD-BP (Planned Community Development Business Park) zones are allowed to operate with a [Conditional Use Permit](#) issued by the city. All locations MUST have permission from the property owner to operate.



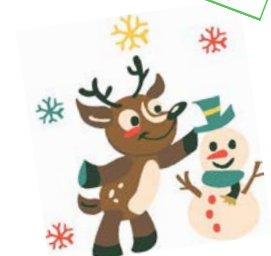
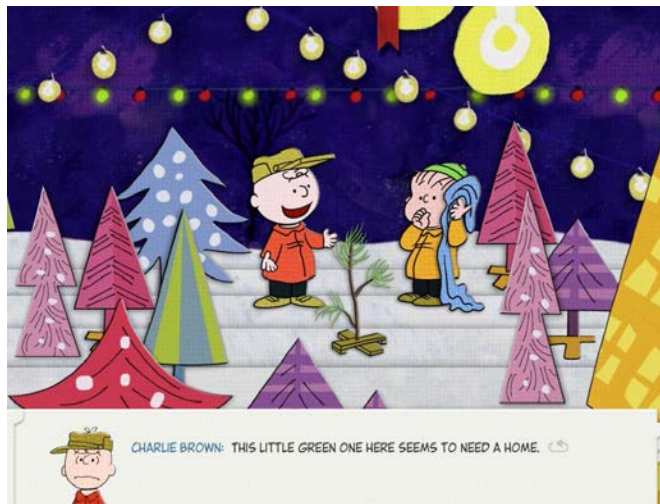
How can I find a Parcel's Zoning? Call the Planning Division at 253.851.6170 or come to the counter and speak to the Planner of the Day Monday – Friday 8-5. You can also check the interactive [map](#) on the city website.



Do I need a permit for a Tree Lot? No permit is needed unless the lot is located in the RB-1, ED or PCD-BP zones that require a Conditional Use Permit for operation. Annual Christmas tree lots are exempt from requiring a Special Use Permit under GHMA [17.65.100](#). A city business license is required.



What about signs? Signs do need to follow the city's sign code. Temporary signs in the right-of-way are only allowed in approved [intersections](#) with a sign permit attached. The permits are free and are issued thru the [permit portal](#). [Instructions](#) for the permit portal and more details on temporary signs including allowed size and type can be found on the city's website [Temporary Signs On Public Right-of-Way or Private Property](#) [page](#).



Client Assistance Memos are not intended to replace the Gig Harbor Municipal Code. Should you have any questions regarding this information please call the Planner of the Day