

**April 2022**

*Date:* 3/22/2022

*Requested by:* Tyler Benko [tylerb@meridiangrouprem.com](mailto:tylerb@meridiangrouprem.com)

*Address:* 5290 Overpass Rd. Bldg. D, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

*Location of Tree:* 424 N. Milpas St., Santa Barbara, CA 93103

**Tree Species:** *Ficus microcarpa*, **Common Name:** Indian Laurel Fig

*Requested Reason for Removal:* Roots have damaged the building's foundation and plumbing in addition to creating a dangerous trip hazard by pushing up the sidewalk.

*Current designated Street Tree:* *Melaleuca styphelioides*, Prickly Melaleuca (December 13, 2000)  
(Performance Issues)

*Advisory Committee Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:

*Staff Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:  N/A

*Date Posted:* 4/13/22

*Comments:* The Committee recommends (5/0) that the Commission deny without prejudice to allow the applicant a chance to return in the future with additional information illustrating damage to the structure.

**PHOTO INVENTORY**



# Tree Removal Application

## APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

<input type="text" value="Benko"/>		<input type="text" value="Tyler"/>	
YOUR LAST NAME		YOUR FIRST NAME	
<input type="text" value="Sherwin Milpas &amp; Haley Property, LLC"/>			
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)			
<input type="text" value="5290 Overpass Rd, Bldg. D"/>			
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS			
<input type="text" value="Santa Barbara"/>	<input type="text" value="California"/>	<input type="text" value="93111"/>	
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
<input type="text" value="805-722-1382"/>	<input type="text" value="tylerb@meridiangrouprem.com"/>		
DAYTIME PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS		

## TREE INFORMATION

TYPE OF TREE:    **SETBACK TREE(S)**     **STREET TREE(S)**

<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="Pat's Liquor, 424 N Milpas St"/>
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the <b>property address</b> where the trees are located
<input type="text" value="Magnolia"/>	
SPECIES OF TREE(S), IF KNOWN	

### REASONS FOR REMOVAL (TELL US WHY YOU WANT TO REMOVE THE TREE[S]). PLEASE INCLUDE:

- Whether or not the removal application is associated with new development or redevelopment of property
- Status of development application, including whether the project is scheduled for review by the Single Family Design Board, Architectural Board of Review, or Historic Landmarks Commission
- Whether or not the tree is a designated Specimen or Historic Tree or located on a property with a designated Historic Landmark

If you feel you need more space to outline the goals of your request, please feel free to attach a supplemental letter when you submit this form.

The company I work for, Meridian Group Real Estate Management, manages the building at 424 N Milpas St on behalf of Sherwin Milpas & Haley Property, LLC. Our primary tenant at the building is Pat's Liquor, a locally owned and operated liquor store. The large Magnolia tree growing on the sidewalk in front of Pat's Liquor has been causing our tenant a great deal of trouble, as the roots have damaged the building's foundation and plumbing in addition to creating a dangerous trip hazard by pushing up the sidewalk.

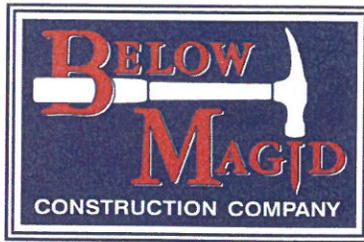
I have attached photos as well as a letter from a local contractor attesting to the points I've mentioned above.

There are no pending development applications for this property.

To the best of my knowledge this tree is not a designated specimen nor is it a historic tree located on a property with a designated historic landmark.

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)?    YES     NO

IF YES, WHAT WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S) WITH?



November 15, 2021

To whom it may concern,

It is our belief that the roots of the tree in front of 424 N. Milpas are beginning to affect the plumbing and structural integrity of the adjacent building. Foundations cracking and building cracking will continue as well as the public sidewalk. This is something that should be addressed by the City of Santa Barbara both for the safety of the Public and for the integrity of the building.

We are happy to recommend arborists or structural engineers as necessary to accommodate.

Thank you,



Mark Magid  
President of Below Magid Construction Company  
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