

City of Santa Barbara FORESTRY DIVISION STREET TREE REMOVAL REQUEST

ATTACHMENT 3

October 2022

Date: 9/27/2022

Requested by: Andrew Sheppard Andrew.sheppard@gmail.com

Address: 745 Dolores Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

Location of Tree: 745 Dolores Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

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

Requested Reason for Removal: The Ficus tree in front of our house has grown to an enormous scale.

Current designated Street Tree: Quercus ilex, Holly Oak

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

Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: \square Deny Removal: \square N/A \boxtimes

Date Posted: 10/12/2022

Comments: The Committee recommends (3/0) that the Commission deny the removal.

PHOTO INVENTORY





Tree Removal Application

APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

Sheppard			Andrew
YOUR LAST NAME YOUR FIRST NAME			YOUR FIRST NAME
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)			
745 Dolores Dr			
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS			
Santa Barbara CA		CA	93109-1610
CITY STATE		STATE	ZIP CODE
5105410049	andrew.sheppard@gmai	l.com	
AYTIME PHONE EMAIL ADDRESS			
TREE INFORMATION TYPE OF TREE: SETBACK TREE(S) STREET TREE(S)			
1 745 Dol	ores Dr		
	LOCATION OF TREE(S)) – please be sure to indicate the property address where the trees are located		
Ficus			
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 Ficus tree in front of our house has grown to an enormous scale. It is roughly 3-4 stories in height and easily spans one side of the road to the other and 1/3 of the way into our lot. The root structure for this tree has made the sidewalk uneven and unsafe. 4-5 years ago the roots punctured our sewage pipes requiring repairs at homeowner's expense. There are now signs that the roots are growing under our home and will cause additional significant damage and expense for our household. We are quite worried that next year's rainy season will push this over the edge. There is evidence of recent root growth under our home. 3 separate landscapers and 2 arborists have advised the tree should be removed. They indicated the current size of this tree represents a significant risk to surrounding structures and sidewalk. Can you please prioritize this for committee review?			
WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)? YES NO IF YES, WHAT WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S) WITH? whichever tree the city recommends			

Andrew Teremy Sheppard







