

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL
REQUEST**

June 2024

Date: 5/22/2024.

Requested by: Christopher Vigilante chrisvigilante@gmail.com

Address: 1616 Hillside Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Location of Tree: 1616 Hillside Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Tree Species: *Liquidambar styraciflua,* **Common Name:** American Sweetgum

Zoning/Setback: RS-6 15'

Reason for Removal: The tree has a shallow root system, is a significant trip hazard, and has contributed to a significant elevation change in the front yard.

Proposed Replacement: Yes *More size appropriate trees with shallower root systems.* No

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal: N/A

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

Date Posted: 6/12/2024

Comments: The Committee recommends (4/0) that the Commission deny the removal.

PHOTO INVENTORY



Front Yard 1616 Hillside Road – Christopher Vigilante 6-26-2024.

Tree Removal Application

APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

<input type="text" value="Vigilante"/>	<input type="text" value="Christopher"/>	
YOUR LAST NAME	YOUR FIRST NAME	
<input type="text" value="Jim and Kathleen Goldsmith"/>		
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)		
<input type="text" value="1616 Hillside Rd"/>		
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS		
<input type="text" value="Santa Barbara"/>	<input type="text" value="CA"/>	<input type="text" value="93101"/>
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
<input type="text" value="805-452-4793"/>	<input type="text" value="chrisjvigilante@gmail.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="Southern most point of property at 1616 Hillside Rd"/>
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the property address where the trees are located

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.

1) The shallow root system has made the front yard of the house more or less unusable. It is a significant trip hazard for my kids and other neighborhood kids. It has also contributed to a significant elevation change in the front yard.

2) A branch broke off and caused significant damage to a fence in August of 2019. We have worked to maintain the horizontal span of some of the larger branches as well as installed a brace in the center of the tree to help maintain stability but we are concerned of a branch breaking and causing damage to power lines, our house or individuals/property

3) The tree litter is manageable but the spiky seed pods are tough to deal with for the children in the neighborhood

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)? YES NO

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

We have not decided on a tree specimen but are looking at more size appropriate trees with shallower root systems.



April 22, 2024

We, Kathleen and James Goldsmith, as owners of 1616 Hillside Rd Santa Barbara, CA 93101, acknowledge and approve of Christopher and Amy Vigilante applying to have a tree removed from the property at above address.

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Kathleen Goldsmith

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Goldsmith". The script is cursive and somewhat stylized.

James Goldsmith