



CITY OF FOREST GROVE  
COMMUNITY FORESTRY COMMISSION  
COMMUNITY AUDITORIUM CONFERENCE ROOM, 1915 MAIN STREET  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 - 5:30 P.M.

Councilor Thompson

Jen Warren, Chair  
Bruce Countryman  
Mark Nakajima

David Hunter, Vice Chair  
Lance Schamberger  
Dale Wiley, Secretary

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## AGENDA

**Call to Order and Approval of Meeting Minutes:** June 17, 2015

**Citizen Communication:** Anyone wishing to speak on an item not on the agenda may be heard at this time. In the interest of time, please limit comments to three minutes or less.

### Old Business

- (1) Discuss Urban Forest Management Plan – Bruce, David, Lance

### New Business

- (1) Review of Register Tree inspection (six Oregon White Oaks): 2318 15<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- (2) Schedule Fall Tree Pruning Workshop

### Member and Liaison Updates

### Announce Next Meeting and Adjourn

**Next Meeting: October 21, 2015**



**COMMUNITY FORESTRY COMMISSION  
CITY AUDITORIUM  
MAIN STREET, FOREST GROVE, OR  
June 17, 2015**

**Meeting called to order at 5:38:17. President Jen Warren in Chair.**

**Members Present** – Jen Warren, Dale Wiley,  
Bruce Countryman, Lance Schamberger, Mark Nakajima

**Members Absent** – Lance Schamberger, Mark Nakajima, David Hunter

Not being a quorum present, but with items needing discussion, the meeting in an informal meeting with notes and not minutes taken. The minutes from the May meeting will still need official approval. Those minutes were reviewed and will be presented to the full body in September. Consensus was the minutes were in order.

**Staff Present:** Dan Riordan

**Council Liaison:** Ron Thompson

**Meeting Minutes Approval:** N/A

**Citizen Communication:** None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**URBAN FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN SURVEY** – Bruce went to CCI meeting and discussed CFC portion of the Urban Forestry Management plan. There were approximately 260 responses from the utility billing survey. There appears to be no need to hold any public meetings on the Urban Forestry Management plan. Possible meetings with Power and Light and Parks and Recreation. Also discussed meetings with various City staff in regards to this proposal. Discussion on the possibility of having an Urban Forestry component written into the new Parks Crew Chief position so that when Steve retires there will be some process for having a certified arborist on City staff, as well has the possibility of having that or another position with a dedicated amount of time allocated to the Urban Forestry program.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY** – CFC will share space in the City booth at the July and August Framers markets. Dan will be there in July as part of the City presence and Jen will be there in August.

**COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT GRANTS** - Jen presented what she spoke about at the CEP City Council meeting ,and we discussed what possible we might want for next year's grants, given the larger amounts of grant monies available.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None at this time.

**PROJECT REPORTS**

None at this time.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will be September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Community Auditorium at 5:30 pm.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

David moved and Lance seconded to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous affirmative vote adjourned the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 6:19:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Wiley  
CFC Secretary

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August 13, 2015

Community Forestry Commission  
City of Forest Grove  
PO Box 326  
Forest Grove, OR 97116

Dear Community Forestry Commission,

This is an arborist report for visual tree health assessment for six Oregon white oak tree at 2318 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Forest Grove, OR at the request of Dan Riordan, Senior Planner and Staff Liaison Community Forestry Committee City of Forest Grove. I inspected the tree on August 13, 2015.

### **Summary**

The Oregon white oak trees are in fair condition, and three of the trees seem to be in condition that further inspection of the root collar (Trees: 1, 2, 6), Tree 6 scar on the north side of the tree and cavity at 20' up on the northwest side of the tree be inspected further to get a more accurate understanding of the status of the trees health and risk to adjacent properties.

### **Observations**

I inspected the Oregon white oak (*Quercus garryana*) trees located on the east and southwestern part of the property.

The first tree is the southwest tree has a 34" DBH, diameter at 4.5' above ground level, is 75' tall, and has a 25' canopy spread that is mostly growing to the south and west with a heavy lean to the southwest. The Condition Rating is 64%<sup>1</sup>. That relates to overall health that is fair. Fair condition means that the tree is a tree very worthy of trying to maintain. Root collar appears good at the surface, the trunk looks in fair shape, and the canopy is producing new growth well. The tree is close to two homes and has lean toward the alley way and the shed and back portion of the house to the west. The tree has been pruned back before. There is a large scar on the north side of the tree from the base of the tree up to 8' and is about 2' wide on average. The bark has made a callus wound on the edge of the large scar, but there is loose bark and concerns with the size of the wound. There is also a cavity at about 20' up on the northwest side of the tree that is also home to squirrels. Due to animal activity and size of the hole in the direction of lean, this cavity should be checked for size of the cavity and determination of the thickness of the viable support wood in

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<sup>1</sup> Guide for Plant Appraisal, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition. Published by the International Society of Arboriculture. 2000.

relationship to what the tree can handle. A proper health and hazard evaluation of this tree is what is needed.

The second oak tree is 33" DBH, 70' tall all the foliage is to the west / northwest side of tree. Condition Rating is 64%. There are two cavities one of north side and one on south and have animal activity. This area of tree further inspection is recommended.

The third oak tree is 27" DBH, 65' tall with a condition rating of 68%. No concerns seen at this time with this tree.

The fourth oak tree is 35" DBH, 65' tall and has a cavity on the north side of tree at 7' due to old limb scar / pruning. Extent of cavity is not known. Condition rating is 68%.

The fifth oak tree is 33" DBH, 70' tall and has a condition rating of 68%. There were no concerns about the tree at this time.

The sixth oak tree appears to possibly be a property line tree. The tree has a 24" DBH and is 40' tall, an understory tree. The tree has a scar on the northwest side of the tree and appears to have insect activity along this scar down to the ground area. The condition rating is 64%. I would recommend further inspection of this scar area.

### **Recommendations**

I recommend that the Oregon white oak trees have a more thorough tree health and risk assessment done on the trees (Trees: 1, 2, 6). I recommend root collar inspection, inspection of scar area with hammer (mallet) test for hollowness, and inspection of the cavity to check for size of the cavity and amount of shell wall holding the cavity area of the tree up. There are adjacent properties that are a concern with the degree of tree lean and amount of tree weight that also is to the west and south for tree 1.

### **Conclusion**

The Oregon white oak trees are in fair condition and I observed major concerns at this time that should have further inspection done, see recommendations.

**Certification**

I certify that all of the statements in the foregoing arborist report are correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith.

If you have any questions about the site, my findings, or further recommendations as to how to work with the site issues, please give my office a call.

Sincerely,



David D. Hunter (electronic signature)

David D. Hunter

ASCA Registered Consulting Arborist # 408

US Forest Service Trained Tree Risk and Health Assessor

ISA Certified Arborist # PN-1068A

PNW ISA Certified Tree Risk Assessor # 0150

ISA Tree Risk Assessor Qualified

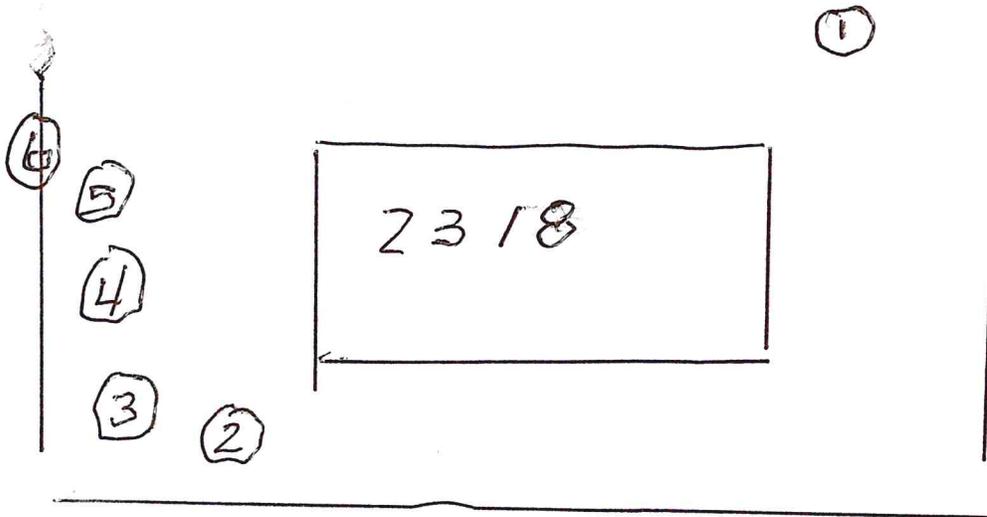
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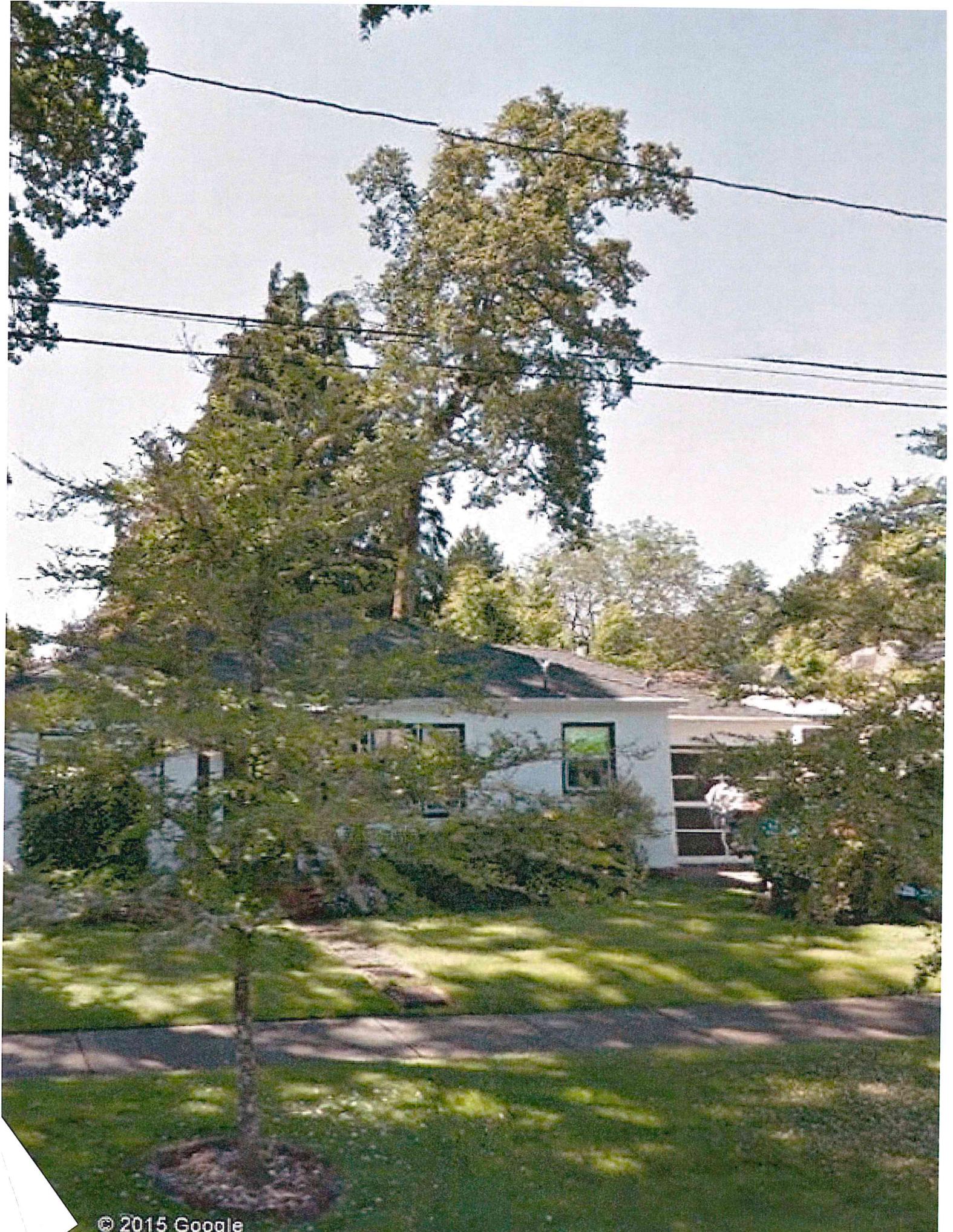
CC: Dan Riordan, Senior Planner Staff Liaison Community Forestry Commission City of Forest Grove Forest Grove, Oregon 97116

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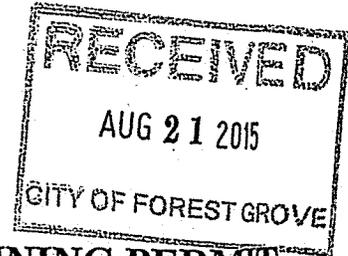


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City of Forest Grove



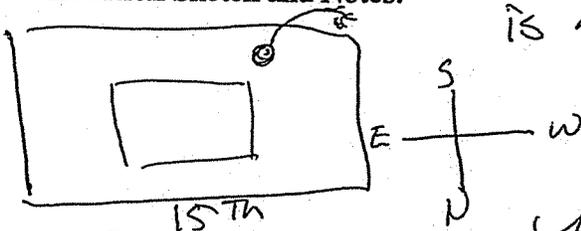
TREE REMOVAL PERMIT/PRUNING PERMIT

Permit Number: TREE-15-36

Applicant: Steve + Molly Siebert Phone: 503-407-1799
Site Address: 2318 15th Avenue Forest Grove OR 97116
Mailing Address:

Tree Service/Individuals: Jensen's Tree Service Phone: 503-970-4840
ISA or ASCA Number: CCB 203412 PN-7840A Expiration Date:

Tree Condition/Reason for Work: Tree has trunk rot "Bad". Tree leans heavy to one side. Tree should be removed. Chance of falling is great.
Tree Location Sketch and Notes:



David Hunter did preliminary evaluation last week and requested further evaluation of tree

Property Owners/Representative Signature: Molly Siebert Date: 8/21/15

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG 1-800-332-2344 IT'S THE LAW

FOR CITY USE ONLY - DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Site Conditions/Requirements:

Receipt # N/A Check # N/A

- 1. Stumps shall be removed or ground to two inches below grade.
2. Work must be completed within 60 days of permit approval.
3. Contact the Planning Division after the work is complete.

Replacement Trees Required:

Selection:

- 1. Minimum 2-inch caliper, balled and burlapped, 6-foot branch height.
2. Selection to be approved by the City.
3. Maintain a distance of at least six feet from water meter.
4. Other:

To be installed by: Owner/Applicant
Tree Planting Verification Date:

Power Lines in Work Area
Light and Power Department Approval Date:
Street Closure/Traffic Control
Police Department Approval Date:

CD Department Approval/Denial By: [Signature] Date: 8/21/15