



CITY OF CANNON BEACH

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO REMOVE TREES IN THE STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY OR PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY

The City of Cannon Beach has made an application for the removal of one hazardous shore pine (*Pinus contorta*). The affected tree is approximately 7” in diameter and 25’ tall and is located in the 7th Street right-of-way (adjacent to Map 51019AC, Tax Lot 00100).

The request for tree removal is made based on Municipal Code Section 17.70.020 A, “Removal of a tree which poses a safety hazard.” Municipal Code Section 17.70.030 I, Additional Requirements, states for tree removal requests of trees located in a street right-of-way, or on property owned by the city, property owners within one hundred feet of the tree(s) requested for removal shall be notified of the proposed action. The notification shall also be posted on the city’s website, and on the bulletin board at City Hall, and at the Post Office. In making its decision on such a tree removal request, the city shall consider comments received within ten days of the date of the mailing of the property owner notification. To be considered, comments must address the tree removal criteria of Section 17.70.020.

Correspondence regarding this matter should be mailed to: City of Cannon Beach, Attention: Sheri Skotland, PO Box 368, Cannon Beach, OR 97110 or skotland@ci.cannon.beach.or.us. Further information regarding this application is available at City Hall, 163 E. Gower Street, Cannon Beach, or by calling (503) 436-8048.

DATE NOTICE MAILED: 02/22/2024

cc: Mayor Barb Knop
Councilor Nancy McCarthy
Councilor Brandon Ogilvie
Councilor Gary Hayes
Councilor Lisa Kerr



City of Cannon Beach Right-of-Way/Property Owned by the City Tree Removal Application

Please fill out this form completely. Please type or print.

Applicant Name: City of Cannon Beach

Mailing Address: PO Box 368 Cannon Beach, OR 97110

Phone: 503-436-8066 Email: mount@ci.cannon-beach.or.us

Abutting Property Owner Name: Alan Merkle

Mailing Address: 5080 Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA 98040

Phone: 206-232-4570 Email: _____

Property Location: 7th Street **Map/Tax Lot Number:** 51019AC00100

The city shall issue a tree removal permit if one of the following criteria is met. Please circle the letter of the criteria that applies.

These criteria require a Tree Removal Report from an International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist:

- A. You are constructing a structure or development approved and allowed by pursuant to Cannon Beach Municipal Code 17.70.030, which involves any form of ground disturbance; including required vehicular and utility access. **SEE ATTACHMENT A – Removing Trees Because of Construction.**
- B. Removal of a tree for the health and vigor of surrounding trees.

These criteria require an ISA Tree Hazard Evaluation Form prepared by an ISA Certified Arborist:

- C. The tree presents a safety hazard, where:
 - 1. The condition or location of the tree presents either a foreseeable danger to public safety, or a foreseeable danger of property damage to an existing structure; and,
 - 2. Such hazard or danger cannot reasonably be alleviated by pruning or treatment of the tree.
- D. The tree was damaged by storm, fire or other injury, which cannot be saved by pruning.

You must submit a tree removal permit with a reason if:

- E. The tree is dead.
- F. Tree removal is necessary to provide solar access to a solar energy system where pruning will not provide adequate solar access:
 - 1. The city may require documentation that a device qualifies for Oregon Department of Energy Solar Tax Credit, or other incentive for installation of solar devices offered by a utility.
 - 2. No tree measuring more than 24 inches in diameter shall be removed for solar access.
- G. Tree removal is for landscaping purposes, subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The tree cannot exceed 10 inches in diameter.
 - 2. A landscape plan for the affected area must be submitted and approved by the City.
 - 3. The landscape plan must incorporate replacement trees for the trees removed. The replacement trees must be at least six feet in height or have a two-inch caliper; and,
 - 4. The City shall inspect the property one year after the approval of the permit to ensure the landscape plan has been implemented.

If your tree presents an immediate danger of collapse and if such potential collapse represents a clear and present hazard to persons or property, **please contact the Community Development Director (CDD)**. If it is determined by the CDD that there is an immediate danger, then a tree removal permit is not required prior to tree removal. However, within seven days after the tree removal, the tree owner shall make application for an after-the-fact permit. Where a tree presents an immediate danger of collapse, a complete ISA Tree Hazard Evaluation Form prepared by a certified arborist is not required. Where a safety hazard exists, as defined by this subsection, the city may require the tree's removal. If the tree has not been removed after forty-eight hours, the city may remove the tree and charge the costs to the owner.

Attach a site plan showing the location and type of all trees on the property, including the trees to be removed. Indicate the location of replacement trees and the type. SEE ATTACHMENT B – Site Plan. Attach photos of the trees to be removed and mark the trees with ribbon.

Explain how the request meets one or more of the applicable criteria. Include the number and type of trees requested for removal. If appropriate, explain why pruning would not accomplish the same goal as tree removal.



Application fee: \$50.00 for 1-4 trees; \$100 for 5 or more trees

Note: The application fee is a **nonrefundable** fee that is due upon receipt of application, whether the removal request is approved or denied.

Municipal Code Section 17.70.030.I. For tree removal requests of trees located in a street right-of-way, or on property owned by the city, property owners within one hundred feet of the tree(s) requested for removal shall be notified of the proposed action. The notification shall also be posted on the city’s website, and on the bulletin board at City Hall, and at the Post Office. In making its decision on such a tree removal request, the city shall consider comments received within ten days of the date of the mailing of the property owner notification. To be considered, comments must address the tree removal criteria of Section 17.70.020. Any person who has commented on the tree removal request shall be notified of the city’s decision and may appeal that decision in accordance with subsection H.

Applicant Signature  Date: 2/20/24

I understand, as the applicant signature, the cost of the tree removal and cleanup is my full responsibility and I am responsible if an approved tree removal permit is violated in any way. I must comply with all City requirements included with the approval, and I must notify the City 48-hours prior to the removal.

Date: 2/20/24 Fee Paid: \$ NA Receipt Number: NA Permit #: NA

Date Notice Mailed: 2/22/24 Date of 10-day waiting period: 3/4/24

Comments Received: Yes No Application is: Approved Denied

Approved - Tree replacement required per Cannon Beach Municipal Code 17.70.040, Tree Replacement Policy.

Approved with comments:

By: _____ Date: _____

Decisions on the issuance of a tree removal permit may be appealed to the Planning Commission in accordance with Section 17.88.140 a, of the Municipal Code.

ATTACHMENT A

Removing Trees Because of Construction

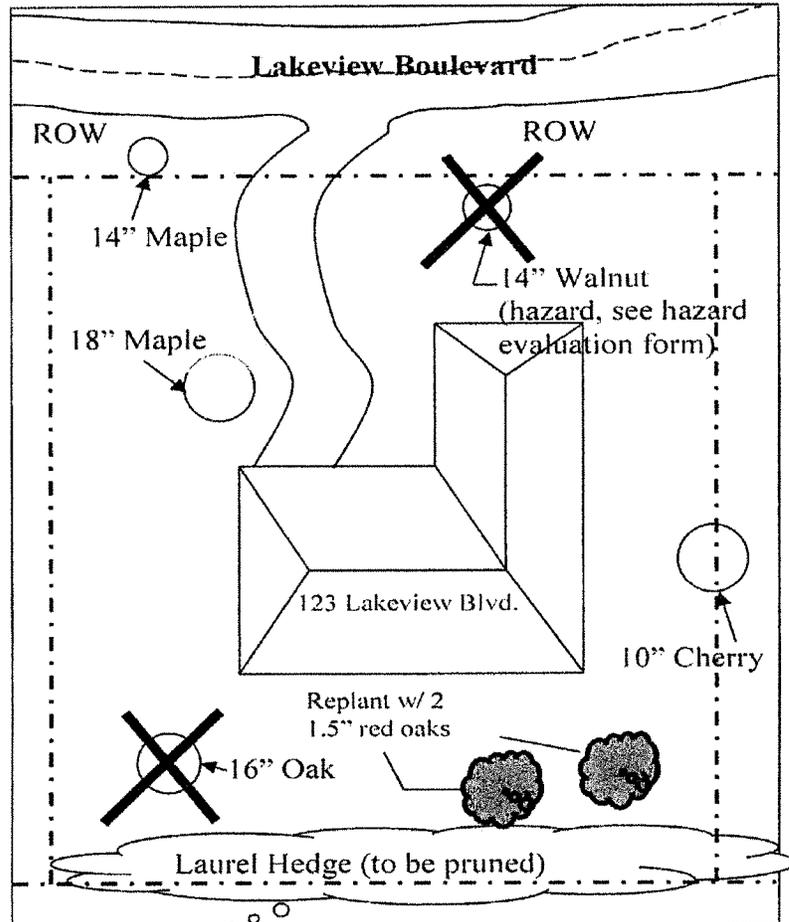
If you are constructing a structure or development which involves any kind of ground disturbance; including required vehicular or utility access, prior to beginning construction, you must:

- 1) Contact a certified arborist
- 2) If the certified arborist determines that no trees will be affected by the proposed construction, then the certified arborist should write a letter stating these findings. **NOTE:** The City reserves the right to have the City Arborist review all arborist recommendations and make an independent report for Administrative review. All administrative decisions may be appealed.
- 3) If the certified arborist determines that trees will be affected,
 - a. A site plan must be submitted with a Tree Removal permit. The Site Plan should indicate the location of all trees over 6" DBH on the subject property or off-site (in the adjoining right-of-way or on adjacent property) whose root structure might be impacted by excavation associated with the proposed structure, or by soil compaction caused by vehicular traffic or storage of materials.
 - b. Measures must be taken to avoid damaging trees not proposed for removal, both on the subject property and off-site (in the adjoining right-of-way or on adjacent property).
 - c. The area where a tree's root structure might be impacted by excavation, or where soil compaction caused by vehicular traffic or storage of materials might affect a tree's health, shall be known as a Tree Protection Zone (TPZ).
 - d. Prior to construction the TPZ shall be delineated by hi-visibility fencing a minimum of 3.5 feet tall, which shall be retained in place until completion of construction. Vehicular traffic, excavation and storage of materials shall be prohibited within the TPZ.

The city may require the replanting of trees to replace those being removed.

ATTACHMENT B SITE PLAN EXAMPLE FOR A TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION

A site plan is required as part of your tree removal request. The site plan should be on an 8.5" x 11" size paper, or larger and include the following information.



Items to include on your Site Plan:

- Address of the Tree Removal Site;
- Property lines;
- Public Right of Way, including the name of any streets;
- Existing or proposed structures;
- Creeks, Streams, or any other natural features;
- Location of any existing 6" or larger tree, as measured from breast height (approximately 4' from the ground), with diameter size and type of tree;
- Please indicate by clearly marking those proposed for removal with an "X"

Within 24 Hours of submitting your application, mark the tree(s) with yellow ribbon.



Treescaples Northwest
Jeff Gerhardt, Consulting Arborist
ISA Certified Arborist #PN-5541A



City of Cannon Beach, Public Works Department
Attn: Trevor Mount; Assistant Public Works Director
mount@ci.cannon-beach.or.us

February 14, 2024

Hazard Tree Inspection - N Larch ROW

Per your request, I evaluated the hazard potential of one tree located in the City Public Right of Way. After visually examining the tree and site, I recommend the tree be removed. Please find the included site map, photograph, and ISA Tree Hazard Evaluation Form for reference.

The tree is a shore pine (*Pinus contorta*), located in the Public Right of Way along 7th Street. The tree is approximately 7" in diameter and 25' tall. An orange dot was painted on the north side of the trunk. This tree has a weakened root system and is actively falling. Pruning for safety is not a feasible option at this point. I recommend the tree be removed.

I recommend a replacement tree be planted nearby. Consider a pacific wax myrtle (*Myrica californica*) or vine maple (*Acer circinatum*).

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Gerhardt", on a light pink background.

Jeff Gerhardt

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Red dot indicates location of shore pine in City ROW



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Actively falling pine tree that I recommend be removed:



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A Photographic Guide to the Evaluation of Hazard Trees in Urban Areas
TREE HAZARD EVALUATION FORM 2nd Edition

Site/Address: 7th Street (ROW)
 Map/Location: _____
 Owner: public private _____ unknown _____ other _____
 Date: 2/12/2024 Inspector: Jeff Gerhardt
 Date of last inspection: _____

HAZARD RATING:						
4	+	2	+	3	=	9
Failure Potential		Size of part		Target Rating	=	Hazard Rating
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Immediate action needed						
<input type="checkbox"/> Needs further inspection						
<input type="checkbox"/> Dead tree						

TREE CHARACTERISTICS

Tree #: 1 Species: shore pine
 DBH: 7" # of trunks: 1 Height: 25' Spread: 10'
 Form: generally symmetric minor asymmetry major asymmetry stump sprout stag-headed
 Crown class: dominant co-dominant intermediate suppressed
 Live crown ratio: 50 % Age class: young semi-mature mature over-mature/senescent
 Pruning history: crown cleaned excessively thinned topped crown raised pollarded crown reduced flush cuts cabled/braced
 none multiple pruning events Approx. dates: _____
 Special Value: specimen heritage/historic wildlife unusual street tree screen shade indigenous protected by gov. agency

TREE HEALTH

Foliage color: normal chlorotic necrotic Epicormics? Y N
 Foliage density: normal sparse Leaf size: normal small Growth obstructions:
 stakes wire/ties signs cables
 Annual shoot growth: excellent average poor Twig Dieback? Y N
 curb/pavement guards
 Woundwood development: excellent average poor none other _____
 Vigor class: excellent average fair poor
 Major pests/diseases: _____

SITE CONDITIONS

Site Character: residence commercial industrial park open space natural woodland/forest
 Landscape type: parkway raised bed container mound lawn shrub border wind break
 Irrigation: none adequate inadequate excessive trunk wetted
 Recent site disturbance? Y N construction soil disturbance grade change line clearing site clearing
 % dripline paved: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100% Pavement lifted? Y N
 % dripline w/ fill soil: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100%
 % dripline grade lowered: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100%
 Soil problems: drainage shallow compacted droughty saline alkaline acidic small volume disease center history of fail
 clay expansive slope _____° aspect: _____
 Obstructions: lights signage line-of-sight view overhead lines underground utilities traffic adjacent veg. _____
 Exposure to wind: single tree below canopy above canopy recently exposed windward, canopy edge area prone to windthrow
 Prevailing wind direction: S/SW Occurrence of snow/ice storms never seldom regularly

TARGET

Use Under Tree: building parking traffic pedestrian recreation landscape hardscape small features utility lines
 Can target be moved? Y N Can use be restricted? Y N
 Occupancy: occasional use intermittent use frequent use constant use

The International Society of Arboriculture assumes no responsibility for conclusions or recommendations derived from use of this form.

TREE DEFECTS

ROOT DEFECTS:

Suspect root rot: Y N Mushroom/conk/bracket present: Y N ID: _____
 Exposed roots: severe moderate low Undermined: severe moderate low
 Root pruned: _____ distance from trunk Root area affected: _____% Buttress wounded: Y N When: _____
 Restricted root area: severe moderate low Potential for root failure: severe moderate low
 LEAN: 15 deg. from vertical natural unnatural self-corrected Soil heaving: Y N
 Decay in plane of lean: Y N Roots broken Y N Soil cracking: Y N
 Compounding factors: decaying nurse stump Lean severity: severe moderate low

CROWN DEFECTS: Indicate presence of individual defects and rate their severity (s = severe, m = moderate, l = low)

DEFECT	ROOT CROWN	TRUNK	SCAFFOLDS	BRANCHES
Poor taper				
Bow, sweep				
Codominants/forks				
Multiple attachments				
Included bark				
Excessive end weight				s
Cracks/splits	s			
Hangers				
Girdling				
Wounds/seam				
Decay				
Cavity				
Conks/mushrooms/bracket				
Bleeding/sap flow				
Loose/cracked bark				
Nesting hole/bee hive				
Deadwood/stubs				
Borers/termites/ants				
Cankers/galls/burls				
Previous failure				

HAZARD RATING

Tree part most likely to fail: Entire tree Failure potential: 1 - low; 2 - medium; 3 - high; 4 - severe
 Inspection period: _____ annual _____ biannual _____ other _____ Size of part: 1 - <6" (15 cm); 2 - 6-18" (15-45 cm);
 3 - 18-30" (45-75 cm); 4 - >30" (75 cm)
 Failure Potential + Size of Part + Target Rating = Hazard Rating Target rating: 1 - occasional use; 2 - intermittent use;
4 + 2 + 3 = 9 3 - frequent use; 4 - constant use

HAZARD ABATEMENT

Prune: remove defective part reduce end weight crown clean thin raise canopy crown reduce restructure shape
 Cable/Brace: _____ Inspect further: root crown decay aerial monitor
 Remove tree: Y N Replace? Y N Move target: Y N Other: _____
 Effect on adjacent trees: none evaluate
 Notification: owner manager governing agency Date: 2/2024

COMMENTS

See report