

July 2016

Date: 5/26/16

Requested by: Ernestine Maidwell

Address: 332 W. Arrellaga St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Location of Tree: 2203 Chapala St., Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Tree Species: *Liquidambar styraciflua*

Common Name: American Sweetgum

Requested Reason for Removal: Tree drops many sticky round “nuts” that impair lawnmower and could cause a person to slip and fall.

Current designated Street Tree: *Ginkgo biloba*, Maidenhair Tree, Liquidambar and Chinese Pistache (February 27, 2013) (variable parkways)

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Date Posted: 7/13/16

Comments: The Committee (4/1) recommends that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee determined reasons supplied by the applicant are insufficient to justify removal.

PHOTO INVENTORY





City of Santa Barbara
 Parks and Recreation Department
 STREET TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

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PARK & RECREATION
 PARKS DIVISION

Mailing Address:
 PO Box 1990
 Santa Barbara, CA 93102
 (805) 564-5433 FAX (805) 897-2524

Office Address:
 402 E. Ortega St.
 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Application Fee: \$50 (effective July 1, 2010)

PAID

DATE OF REQUEST:	5-23-16
APPLICANT:	Ernestine Maidwell
ADJACENT OWNER NAME: (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT):	
MAILING/EMAIL ADDRESS: None	332 W. Arrellaga St. Santa Barbara, CA 93101
DAYTIME PHONE:	(805) 965-6769
TREE LOCATION (Address):	2203 Chapala St. Santa Barbara, CA 93105
TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN):	Liquid Amber (?)
REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL:	Tree drops many sticky round 'nuts' that impair lawn mower and could cause a person to slip and fall.

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

- > Property owner letter, indicating reasons for removal. Also include whether:
 - o The removal application is associated with new development or redevelopment of property
 - o 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
 - o The tree is a designated Specimen or Historic Tree
- > Photo of tree(s) proposed for removal
- > Development plan/Landscape plan

5-23-16

Attn: Parks + Recreation Dept.
City of Santa Barbara

Re: Street Tree Removal Application

This letter is a request for the removal of a tree on a parkway strip located near the corner of Los Olivos and Chapala Sts. - at 2203 Chapala St.

At the time of purchasing this house in 1985, we were told by the former owner that they had planted this liquid amber tree as a shield against the steady car traffic near the corner. However, the tree drops many sticky round "nuts" that need constant raking to avoid getting stuck in a lawnmower, or under a person's feet, which could also cause one to slip and fall.

This removal application is not associated with any new development or redevelopment of the property.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,
Ernestine Maidwell
owner

Photos of tree enclosed



