

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL
REQUEST**

July 2016

Date: 6/15/16

Requested by: Evan Collins juanita1937@me.com

Address: 302 Alston Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Location of Tree: 302 Alston Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Tree Species: *Araucaria columnaris* *Common Name:* Cook Pine

Zoning/Setback: A – 2 30' Setback

Reason for Removal: Tree leaning towards home. Beginning to die. Will eventually push wall out.

Proposed Replacement: Yes w/ smaller tree. No

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Conditionally Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Staff Recommendation: Conditionally Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Date Posted: 7/13/16

Comments: The Committee (5/0) recommends that the Commission approve the removal on the condition that within one year the applicant replace with a tree that can achieve a height of 25 feet.

PHOTO INVENTORY





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

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PARK & RECREATION
 PARKS DIVISION

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

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

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

PAID

DATE OF REQUEST:	06.15.16
APPLICANT:	EVAN COLLINS
OWNER NAME (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT):	gianita1937@me.com
MAILING/EMAIL ADDRESS:	302 ALSTON RD
DAYTIME PHONE:	805.969.7102
LOCATION OF TREE (ADDRESS):	302 ALSTON RD
TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN):	CONIFEROUS Cooke Pine
REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL:	TREE LEANING TOWARDS HOME. " BEGINNING TO DIE. " WILL EVENTUALLY PUSH WALL OUT.
TREE(S) WILL BE REPLACED:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With: SMALLER TREE No <input type="checkbox"/>

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 or located on a property with a designated Historic Landmark
- > Photo of tree(s) proposed for removal
- > Development plan/Landscape plan

Juanita C Collins
302 Alston Road
Santa Barbara CA 93108

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June 16, 2016

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Greetings Tim Downey and Jaime Limón,

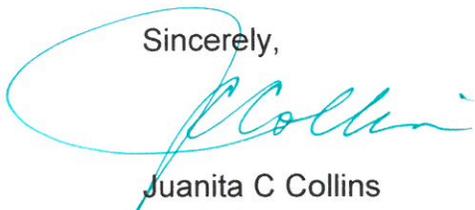
It has come to my attention that I need to ask your permission to remove a tree from our property that might be in the zoning setback. The tree has broken in half once already, causing permanent damage to a vehicle parked near it in our driveway. Where the tree broke off, three more "trunks" have grown, causing it to be quite top heavy. The tree also leans towards our home and would cause extensive damage should it decide to break in half again. The base limbs of the tree are beginning to turn yellow, which indicates stress. Another concern is that this tree will eventually push our retaining wall out, requiring extensive repair.

Our desire is to take this tree down before any of the above indicated possibilities come to fruition. There is no new or redevelopment associated with this project. To my knowledge, this is not a special or protected tree.

We plan to replace the tree – if we are allowed to take it down – with a 50+ gallon pot where the tree is now that has either a strawberry tree, a purple smoke tree, a citrus tree, or an aloe tongaensis medusa in it that will grow to not more than 20 feet. The reason we will need to put the replacement tree in a pot is because the root growth from the current tree is so extensive it is nearly impossible to dig a hole anywhere near that tree at this time. We will need to let the roots die back for a few years before we can successfully dig a hole large enough to put a tree of any consequence near that spot.

Thank you for your consideration. I await your reply

Sincerely,



Juanita C Collins

