

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL  
REQUEST**

**February 2017**

*Date:* 12/22/17

*Requested by:* Alan Kuhn

*Address:* [alankuhn@email.msn.com](mailto:alankuhn@email.msn.com)

*Location of Tree:* 433 Foxen Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93105

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

*Zoning/Setback:* E – 3/SD/2 20'/10' Setback

*Reason for Removal:* Full house remodel, include landscaping. I'd like to replace this one tree with a few olive trees to complement the rest of the landscape design.

*Proposed Replacement:* Yes  with fruitless olive trees. No

*Advisory Committee Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:

*Staff Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:

*Date Posted:* 2/9/17

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

**PHOTO INVENTORY**



Front Yard 433 Foxen Dr. 2-22-17 Attachment 3



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

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PARK & RECREATION  
 PARKS DIVISION

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 Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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Application Fee: \$50 (effective July 1, 2010)

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|---|---|
| DATE OF REQUEST:                          | 12/21/16  |
| APPLICANT:                                | Alan Kuhn   |
| OWNER NAME (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT): |   |
| MAILING/EMAIL ADDRESS:                    | alankuhn@email.msn.com  |
| DAYTIME PHONE:                            | 415-517-4044  |
| LOCATION OF TREE (ADDRESS):               | 433 Foxen Dr.   |
| TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN):                  | Liquid Amber  |
| REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL:                    | Full house remodel, including landscaping. I'd like to replace this one tree with a few olive trees to complement the rest of the landscape design. |
| TREES WILL BE REPLACED?                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES WITH: fruitless olive trees.<br><input type="checkbox"/> NO   |

**PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

- > Property owner letter, indicating reasons for removal. Also include whether:
  - 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;
  - 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

Alan Kuhn  
433 Foxen Dr.  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105  
December 21, 2016

City of Santa Barbara  
Parks and Recreation Department  
402 E Ortega St.  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Setback Tree Removal Application

To whom it may concern:

Last year, I bought the house at 433 Foxen Dr. and have been undergoing a remodel. As part of the renovation, I plan to landscape the yard. The project is NOT subject to review by the Single Family Design Board, Architectural Board of Review, or Historic Landmarks Commission.

The original front yard was completely covered with ivy, and had one Liquid Amber tree in the corner of the lot (where Foxen Dr. makes a 90-degree turn). Unlike most of the trees on this street, this one loses all its leaves in winter and looks very bare. I've removed all the ivy, and now I'd like to replace the Liquid Amber tree with new landscaping, including several fruitless olive trees in the front yard. The attached landscape plan shows the proposed design.

Sincerely,



Alan Kuhn

Enclosures: application, photo, landscape plan.







**Planting Palette**

| Species Name         | Common Name               | Size    | Quantity |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Trums & Large Shrubs |                           |         |          |
| One specimen of each | Flowering Olive Tree      | 10' Box | 5        |
| Shrubs & Perennials  |                           |         |          |
| One specimen of each | Camellia Cheery           | 10'     | 20       |
|                      | Chalk Stick Dudleya       | 10'     | 25       |
|                      | Shrub Lemon/Lime          | 10'     | 10       |
|                      | Ornamental Olive          | 50"     | 18       |
|                      | Early Fall Fountain Grass | 10'     | 40       |
|                      | Blue Birdseye             | 10'     | 14       |
|                      | Roman Statue Rosemary     | 10'     | 9        |
|                      | Red Tree Sage             | 10'     | 12       |
|                      | Mexican Purple Sage       | 10'     | 40       |
|                      | Los Vientos               | 10'     | 15       |
|                      | Coast Rosemary            | 10'     | 18       |
| Groundcovers & Vines |                           |         |          |
| One specimen of each | Peri Perennials           | 50"     | 11       |

**Materials Legend:**

- Concrete Paving COLOR 240
- Wood Decking MATERIAL 100
- Gravel Base
- 3/4" Tall 1/8" x 1/8" Santa Barbara Sandstone Column
- 1/2" Tall 3/8" x 3/8" Concrete Boulder - Neuring
- Santa Barbara Sandstone Boulder
- 2" x 6" Hatched Wire Mesh Fencing w/ 1/2" x 6" Frame
- 1/2" TYPICAL LUMBER JOIST



Liquid Amber to be removed

(1) Columns to be Retained & Structures to be Removed  
 (2) Columns to be Retained & Structures to be Retained  
 (3) Scale Column

**From:** Alan Kuhn [<mailto:alankuhn@msn.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 06, 2017 4:28 PM  
**To:** Patricia Herrera <[PHerrera@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:PHerrera@SantaBarbaraCA.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tree removal receipt.

Hi Patricia,

I just wanted to follow-up re the Liquid Amber tree at 433 Foxen Dr. that was reviewed by the Street Tree Advisory Committee last Thursday.

I don't know if the Committee has made their recommendation yet, but I was talking to my landscaper today and he mentioned something that I wasn't previously aware of: this species is apparently known for its aggressive roots that can cause lots of damage to sewer lines. In my case, the sewer lateral runs a few feet away from that tree (I've attached a photo, and circled the sewer cleanout in red).

I know that my timing here is poor, but I'm hoping that it's not too late to relay this additional concern to the Advisory Committee in case it may impact their recommendation. Is that possible?

Again, I apologize for not having this info at Thursday's meeting – it just came to my attention today.

Thanks for any help you can provide!

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