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City of Salem Arborist
Abigail Pederson, Planner 1

RE: Land Use Application 24-107384-PLN

In response to the Approval Criteria and as requested in the last paragraph of the above referenced Land Use Application – Completeness review dated May 10, 2024, we hereby submit this additional information and photos supporting our request to remove the tree from our backyard.

These two photos show a stark contrast in the tree canopy from Google Earth photo and photo taken this past week. As evidenced by the photos, there is a remarkable difference in the tree canopy and overall health of the tree:



Google Earth photo shows full/dense tree canopy

Current photo of tree shows much less tree canopy/cover.

It is my understanding after a conversation with the landscaper that we should not be able to see through the canopy like the photo to the right

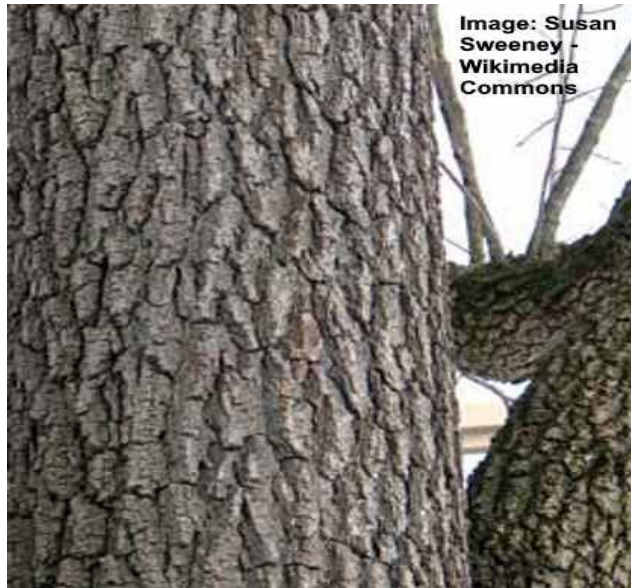


In addition, we submit for your review these photos showing the overall health and condition of the tree:



In contrast to the original photos supplied prior to the leaves coming on, now that the tree has leafed out, it is evident there are dead branches throughout the tree canopy

This is an example of healthy Walnut Tree bark



These photos show the condition of the tree trunk/bark of our tree as of 5/26/24:



Based upon these additional photos showing the condition of the tree bark and canopy, it is obvious that this tree is dying. As such, we respectfully request the Land Use Application be approved and the City of Salem allow us to remove the tree to protect us and our neighbor at 4884 Jones Rd.

Sincerely,

Edward and Tina Hurlbutt