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## DECISION OF THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

**TREE REMOVAL PERMIT: TRP24-50** 

APPLICATION NO.: 24-122956-PLN

NOTICE OF DECISION DATE: November 21, 2024

**REQUEST:** A Tree Removal Permit for four hazardous trees.

APPLICANT: R&R Tree Service

**OWNER:** Christoper Easton

LOCATION: 1457 Goldcrest Avenue NW, Salem OR 97304

CRITERIA: Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 808.030(d)(1).

FINDINGS: The findings are in the attached Decision dated November 21, 2024.

**DECISION:** The **Planning Administrator APPROVED** TRP24-50 based upon the application materials and the findings as presented in this report, subject to the following condition of approval.

**Condition 1:** The roots and trunks of the removed trees shall remain within the riparian corridor.

Approval of a Tree Removal Permit application does not expire.

This decision is final; there is no local appeal process. Any person with standing may appeal this decision by filing a "Notice of Intent to Appeal" with the Land Use Board of Appeals, 775 Summer St NE, Suite 330, Salem OR 97301-1283, not later than 21 days after the decision date. Anyone with questions regarding filing an appeal with the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals should contact an attorney.

The following items are submitted to the record: 1) All materials and evidence submitted by the applicant, including any applicable professional studies; and 2) All materials, evidence, and comments from City Departments and public agencies. The application materials are available on the City's online Permit Application Center at <u>https://permits.cityofsalem.net</u>. You may use the search function without registering and enter the permit number listed here: 24 122956.

<u>Case Manager</u>: Peter Domine, Planner II, <u>pdomine@cityofsalem.net</u>, 503-540-2311

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF

#### **BEFORE THE PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF SALEM**

#### DECISION

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**FINDINGS & ORDER** 

TREE REMOVAL PERMIT)CASE NO. TRP24-50)1457 GOLDCREST AVE NW)NOVEMBER 21, 2024

In the matter of the application for a Tree Removal Permit, the Planning Administrator, having received and reviewed evidence and the application materials, makes the following findings and adopts the following order as set forth herein.

### **REQUEST**

A tree removal permit for four riparian corridor trees, size 30, 28, 26, and 31-inches dbh (diameter at breast height) on the basis that they are dead and a hazard to persons and property. The subject property is 0.21-acres in size, zoned RS (Single Family Residential) and located at 1457 Goldcrest Avenue NW (Polk County Assessor's Map and Tax Lot Number 073W16BD / 6700).

### PROCEDURAL FINDINGS

- 1. On November 7, 2024, an application for a Tree Removal Permit was submitted for property located at 1457 Goldcrest Avenue NW.
- 2. On November 21, 2024, the application was deemed complete.

### SUBSTANTIVE FINDINGS

#### 1. Proposal

The applicant's written statement and photos identify four poplar trees, size 30, 28, 26, and 31inches dbh (diameter at breast height), proposed for removal within a riparian corridor (**Attachment B**).

### 2. Applicability

<u>SRC 808.020 Trees and Native Vegetation In Riparian Corridors</u>. No person shall remove a tree in a riparian corridor or native vegetation in a riparian corridor, unless the removal is undertaken pursuant to a tree and vegetation removal permit issued under SRC <u>808.030</u>, undertaken pursuant to a tree conservation plan approved under SRC <u>808.035</u>, or undertaken pursuant to a tree variance granted under SRC <u>808.045</u>.

#### 3. Analysis of Tree Removal Permit Approval Criteria:

<u>SRC 808.030(d)(1) Hazardous tree</u>. The condition or location of the tree presents a hazard or danger to persons or property; and the hazard or danger cannot reasonably be alleviated by treatment or pruning, or the tree has a disease of a nature that even with

# reasonable treatment or pruning is likely to spread to adjacent trees and cause such trees to become hazardous trees.

**Finding:** The applicant provided an arborist's report **(Attachment B)** and photos addressing the condition and location of four trees located within a riparian corridor along Goldcrest Brook. According to the arborist's report and photos, the trees are dead and pose a hazard to persons and property, and should be removed. Pursuant to SRC 808.020, roots, trunks, and branches of trees removed within riparian corridors shall remain within the riparian corridor.

**Condition 1:** The roots and trunks of the removed trees shall remain within the riparian corridor.

Staff finds that the Tree Removal Permit application for the removal of four riparian corridor trees is consistent with the provisions of SRC Chapter 808 and the applicable approval criteria.

# **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**

The proposed Tree Removal Permit is consistent with the provisions of SRC Chapter 808 and condition of approval and is hereby **APPROVED** subject to the following conditions.

**Condition 1:** The roots and trunks of the removed trees shall remain within the riparian corridor.

Peter Domine, Planner II, on behalf of, Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, AICP Planning Administrator

Attachments:

A. Vicinity MapB. Arborist Report

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## **ARBORIST REPORT**

Located at: 1457 Goldcrest Ave NW, Salem

Prepared for: Christopher Easton

By: Tim Jones, ISA Certified Arborist #PN-6819A, TRAQ Certified

Evaluation performed: November 5, 2024

# DESCRIPTION

#### Hazardous Tree Removal pursuant to SRC 808.030(d)(1).

Our company was contacted by Christopher Easton, property owner of 1457 Goldcrest Ave NW in Salem, regarding the hazardous condition of four poplar trees located within the riparian zone. The four poplar trees are located in the backyard of the home. (*Tree locations are circled in white on following page*)

The four poplar trees measure at approximately 30", 28", 26" and 31" in diameter and require a permit from the city of Salem to remove as the trees appear to be within 50' of a riparian zone.

I visited the property on November 5, 2024, to assess the health of the poplar trees, take measurements and pictures, and note observations.

All four trees are dead.

In my opinion, the removal is necessary for safety of the nearby homes, property and people and these hazards cannot be alleviated by treatment or pruning.



**LOCATION** - Overview



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**PICTURE 1** Taken 11/05/2024



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