

October 1, 2021

Jamie Donaldson
City of Salem
Community Development Department
555 Liberty St., Suite 305
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Wren Heights Tree Conservation Adjustment

Jamie,

Pursuant to your request, the following is provided to address the approval criteria for our proposed adjustment as outlined in Section 808.040(d) – Tree Conservation plan Adjustments:

(d) Approval criteria. A tree conservation plan adjustment shall be approved if the following criteria are met:

(1) There are special conditions that could not have been anticipated at the time the tree conservation plan was submitted that create unreasonable hardships or practical difficulties which can be most effectively relieved by an adjustment to the tree conservation plan.

Applicant's Response: Removal of Tree #20340 and #20344 is necessitated by the need to provide power to lots #27 and #28. The routing plan created by PGE is the only alternative as the two alternatives suggested by the city engineer are not feasible. Running power between lot #33 and lot # 32 is not possible as the Applicant has already installed the sanitary sewer in this location. Routing the power between lot #26 and lot #27 would seriously impact these lots due to the easement width required to the point where they are not wide enough to support a viable housing product.

(2) When the tree conservation plan adjustment proposes the removal of a significant tree, there are no reasonable design alternatives that would enable preservation of the tree.

Applicant's Response: There are no significant trees proposed to be removed as a result of this application. This criterion does not apply.

(3) When the tree conservation plan adjustment proposes the removal of a tree or native vegetation within a riparian corridor, there are no reasonable design alternatives that would enable preservation of the tree or native vegetation.

Applicant's Response: There are no trees or native vegetation within a riparian corridor located on the subject property. This criterion does not apply.

Hopefully, this addresses your approval criteria, and we respectfully request your approval of our Tree Conservation Plan adjustment.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

Project Delivery Group, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark B. Ferris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a stylized "F".

Mark B. Ferris, RIAE

Dir. Of Planning & Development