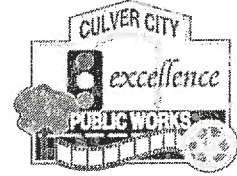




Public Works Department  
Maintenance Operations Division

# CITY OF CULVER CITY

9505 West Jefferson Boulevard, Culver City, California 90232



## Request for Parkway Tree Removal

(Pursuant to Culver City Municipal Code Section 9.08.210: See reverse side of this form)

Applicant: Cynthia A Mabus  
(Name)  
10729/10731 Northgate St. Culver City 90230  
(Address)

Telephone 310-312-1111  
Cynthia Mabus - City Councilmember

Request for removal of 2 tree(s)

Location: ☐ In front of, and/or  
☒ On side of property located at 10729/10731 Northgate St. Culver City 90230  
(Street Address)

Reason for removal:  
(Criteria set forth in Culver City Municipal Code Section 9.08.210.C must be satisfied. See reverse side of this form.)

- 2a The tree is a known problem species, FICUS. TREE SIZE TO LARGE FOR SIDEWALK  
2b the tree roots cause extensive damage to public street sidewalk + sewer line.  
the trees are sitting on a high PRIORITY NATURAL GAS LINE.  
2c the trees damage does not allow for parking, limbs fall and are dangerous  
☒ Supporting documentation is attached.  
☒ Request for removal (subject to availability of City resources and funds), OR  
☐ Request for priority removal at applicant's expense.

### PROCEDURE FOR TREE REMOVAL:

If applicant's request for tree removal is granted, removal of aforementioned tree(s) will be accommodated on a priority basis subject to availability of City resources and funds. Applicant has the option to be granted priority removal if they agree to pay for the removal at their expense. Applicant will be presented with a quote from City's tree trimming contractor prior to removal. Upon authorization of quote and payment by applicant, tree(s) will be removed by City's tree trimming contractor as their schedule permits.

### FILING FEE:

The applicant shall post a non-refundable filing fee in the amount of \$ 75 along with this request form.

### DECISION AND APPEAL:

The decision of the Public Works Director is final, unless appealed by the Applicant, a member of the City Council or an Interested Person. Appeals shall be submitted in writing and filed with the City Clerk within 10 days after the decision date identified in the notice of decision. (See CCMC Section 9.08.210.E and F for more information.)

Date 10/1/2019 Signature Cynthia Mabus  
(Applicant)

### FOR CITY USE

Species of tree(s) to be removed: Ficus microcarpa nitida

Tree(s) to be removed: 33 inches 45 feet \_\_\_\_\_ feet  
(Approx. diameter) (Approx. height) (Parkway width)

Permission is hereby: ☒ Granted for removal (subject to availability of City resources and funds) Trees #1 & #2  
☐ Granted for priority removal at applicant's expense  
☐ Denied

Date 2/4/2020 Signature [Signature]

White: Property Owner/Applicant

Yellow: Public Works Director

Pink: Maintenance Operations Division

Revised 1/30/14

Both trees exhibit potential for major branch failure. Extensive shade; sidewalk damage creating hazards; cannot be repaired without tree removal. History of previous damage to sidewalk from street (8'). Potential to impact high pressure gas line.



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**TREE HAZARD EVALUATION FORM** 2nd Edition

Site/Address: 10731 Norhtgate St Tree # 1  
Map/Location: Tract 14843 Lot 112 Block 10000  
Owner: public ☒ private ☐ unknown ☐ other ☐  
Date: 12/31/2019 Inspector: David Talavera  
Date of last inspection: 12/24/2019

HAZARD RATING:

<u>2</u>	+	<u>4</u>	+	<u>3</u>	=	<u>9</u>
Failure Potential		Size of part		Target Rating		Hazard Rating
<input type="checkbox"/> Immediate action needed						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs further inspection						
<input type="checkbox"/> Dead tree						

**TREE CHARACTERISTICS**

Tree #: 1 Species: Ficus microcarpa nitida  
DBH: 33" # of trunks: 1 Height: 48' Spread: 45'  
Form: ☒ generally symmetric ☐ minor asymmetry ☐ major asymmetry ☐ stump sprout ☐ stag-headed  
Crown class: ☐ dominant ☒ co-dominant ☐ intermediate ☐ suppressed  
Live crown ratio: 85 % Age class: ☐ young ☐ semi-mature ☒ mature ☐ over-mature/senescent  
Pruning history: ☐ crown cleaned ☒ excessively thinned ☒ topped ☐ crown raised ☐ pollarded ☐ crown reduced ☐ flush cuts ☐ cabled/braced  
☐ none ☐ multiple pruning events Approx. dates: illegal trimming  
Special Value: ☐ specimen ☐ heritage/historic ☐ wildlife ☐ unusual ☒ street tree ☐ screen ☐ shade ☐ indigenous ☐ protected by gov. agency

**TREE HEALTH**

Foliage color: ☒ normal ☐ chlorotic ☐ necrotic Epicormics? Y ☐ N ☐  
Foliage density: ☐ normal ☒ sparse Leaf size: ☒ normal ☐ small  
Annual shoot growth: ☐ excellent ☒ average ☐ poor Twig Dieback? Y ☐ N ☒  
Woundwood development: ☐ excellent ☒ average ☐ poor ☐ none  
Vigor class: ☐ excellent ☒ average ☐ fair ☐ poor  
Major pests/diseases: None pests or diseases

**SITE CONDITIONS**

Site Character: ☒ residence ☐ commercial ☐ industrial ☐ park ☐ open space ☐ natural ☐ woodland/forest  
Landscape type: ☒ parkway ☐ raised bed ☐ container ☐ mound ☐ lawn ☐ shrub border ☐ wind break  
Irrigation: ☒ none ☐ adequate ☐ inadequate ☐ excessive ☐ trunk wetted  
Recent site disturbance? Y ☒ N ☐ construction ☐ soil disturbance ☐ grade change ☐ line clearing ☐ site clearing  
% dripline paved: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100% Pavement lifted? Y ☐ N ☐  
% dripline w/ fill soil: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100%  
% dripline grade lowered: 0% 10-25% 25-50% 50-75% 75-100%  
Soil problems: ☐ drainage ☐ shallow ☒ compacted ☐ droughty ☐ saline ☐ alkaline ☐ acidic ☐ small volume ☐ disease center ☐ history of fail  
☐ clay ☐ expansive ☐ slope \_\_\_\_\_° aspect: \_\_\_\_\_  
Obstructions: ☐ lights ☐ signage ☐ line-of-sight ☐ view ☐ overhead lines ☒ underground utilities ☐ traffic ☐ adjacent veg. ☐  
Exposure to wind: ☐ single tree ☐ below canopy ☐ above canopy ☐ recently exposed ☐ windward, canopy edge ☒ area prone to windthrow  
Prevailing wind direction: N/E Occurrence of snow/ice storms ☐ never ☐ seldom ☐ regularly

**TARGET**

Use Under Tree: ☐ building ☒ parking ☐ traffic ☒ pedestrian ☐ recreation ☐ landscape ☐ hardscape ☒ small features ☐ utility lines  
Can target be moved? Y ☒ N ☐ Can use be restricted? Y ☒ N ☐  
Occupancy: ☐ occasional use ☒ intermittent use ☐ frequent use ☐ constant use

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## TREE DEFECTS

### ROOT DEFECTS:

Suspect root rot: Y ☒ N ☐ Mushroom/conk/bracket present: Y ☒ N ☐ ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Exposed roots: ☐ severe ☒ moderate ☐ low Underscored: ☐ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low

Root pruned: 2' distance from trunk Root area affected: 50 % Butress wounded: Y ☒ N ☐ When: \_\_\_\_\_

Restricted root area: ☒ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low Potential for root failure: ☐ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low

LEAN: 0 deg. from vertical ☒ natural ☐ unnatural ☐ self-corrected Soil heaving: Y ☒ N ☐

Decay in plane of lean: Y N Roots broken Y N Soil cracking: Y N

Compounding factors: unbalance canopy by illegal trimming, \_\_\_\_\_ Lean severity: ☐ severe ☒ moderate ☐ low

CROWN DEFECTS: Indicate presence of individual defects and rate their severity (s = severe, m = moderate, l = low) N = Negative

DEFECT	ROOT CROWN	TRUNK	SCAFFOLDS	BRANCHES
Poor taper				S
Bow, sweep				L
Codominants/forks			S	
Multiple attachments			S	S
Included bark			M	
Excessive end weight			L	L
Cracks/splits			N	N
Hangers			N	
Girdling	N			
Wounds/seam	S	S	S	S
Decay	M			
Cavity	N	N		
Conks/mushrooms/bracket	N	N	N	
Bleeding/sap flow	N		N	
Loose/cracked bark	N		N	
Nesting hole/bee hive			N	
Deadwood/stubs	M	S	S	S
Borers/termites/ants	N	N		
Cankers/galls/burls	N	N		
Previous failure				Several

### HAZARD RATING

Tree part most likely to fail: Big Scaffold

Inspection period: ☒ annual ☐ biannual ☐ other

Failure Potential + Size of Part + Target Rating = Hazard Rating

2 + 4 + 3 = 9

Failure potential: 1 - low; 2 - medium; 3 - high; 4 - severe

Size of part: 1 - <6" (15 cm); 2 - 6-18" (15-45 cm);  
3 - 18-30" (45-75 cm); 4 - >30" (75 cm)

Target rating: 1 - occasional use; 2 intermittent use;  
3 - frequent use; 4 - constant use

### HAZARD ABATEMENT

Prune: ☐ remove defective part ☐ reduce end weight ☐ crown clean ☐ thin ☐ raise canopy ☒ crown reduce ☒ restructure ☐ shape

Cable/Brace: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspect further: ☐ root crown ☐ decay ☐ aerial ☐ monitor

Remove tree: ☒ N ☐ Replace? ☒ N ☐ Move target: ☒ N ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Effect on adjacent trees: ☐ none ☒ evaluate

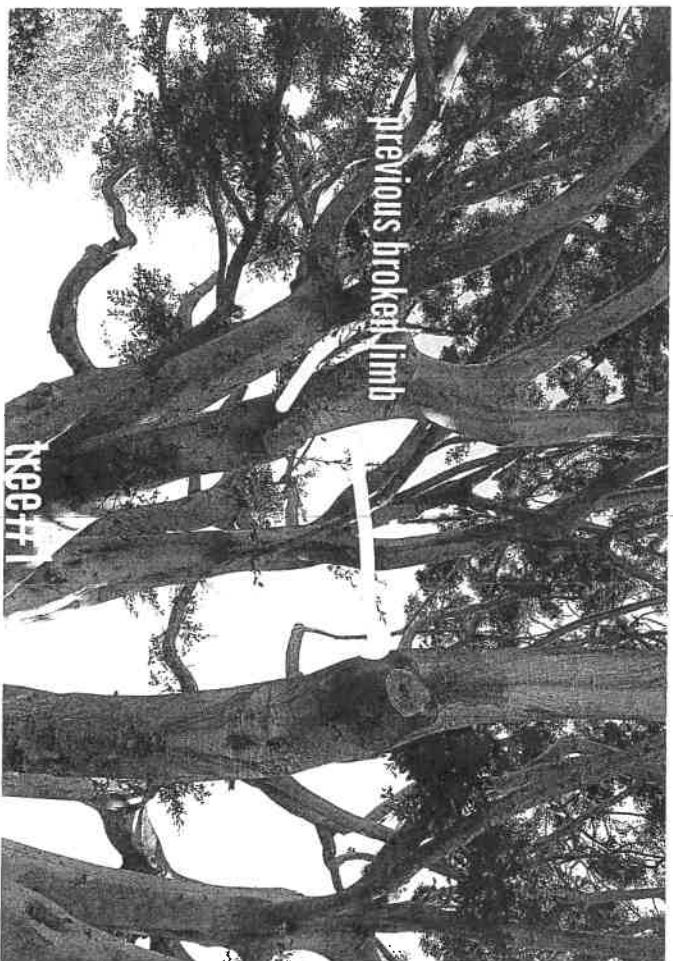
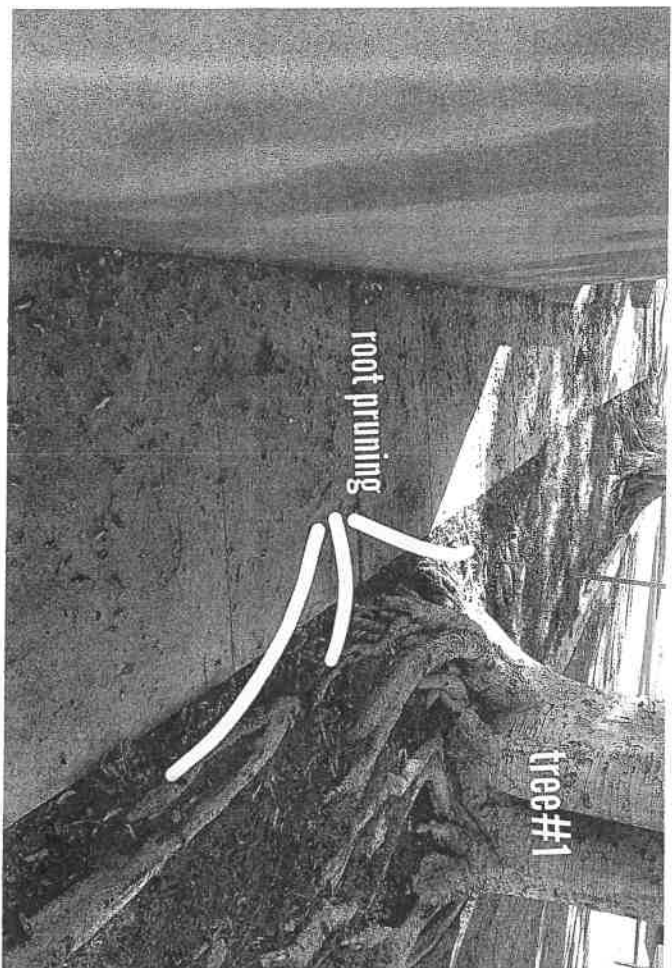
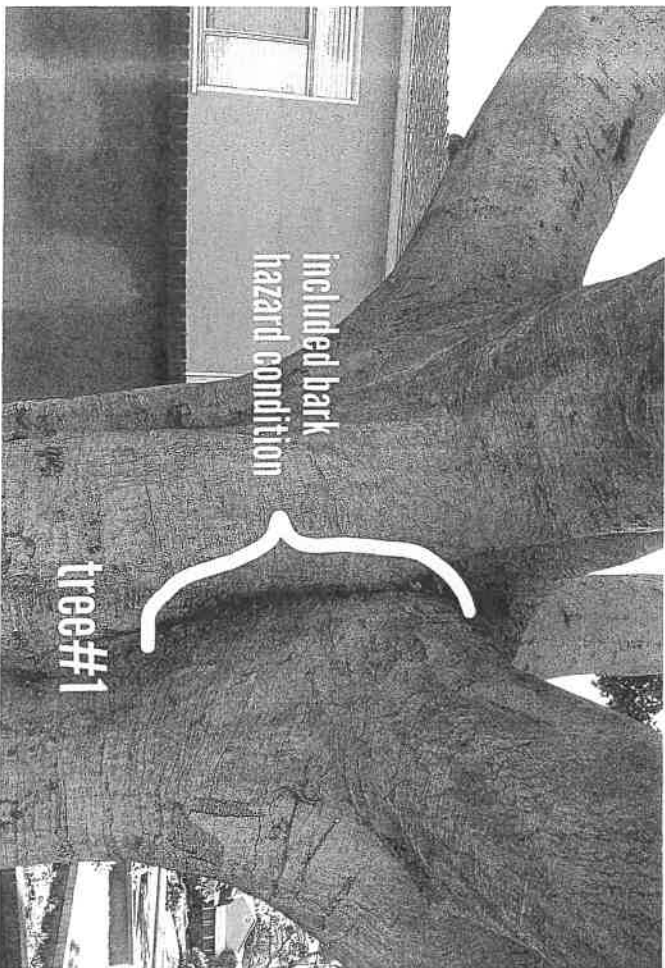
Illegal pruning create unbalance crown canopy

Notification: ☒ owner ☐ manager ☒ governing agency Date: low scaffold hit by traffic (8feet high)

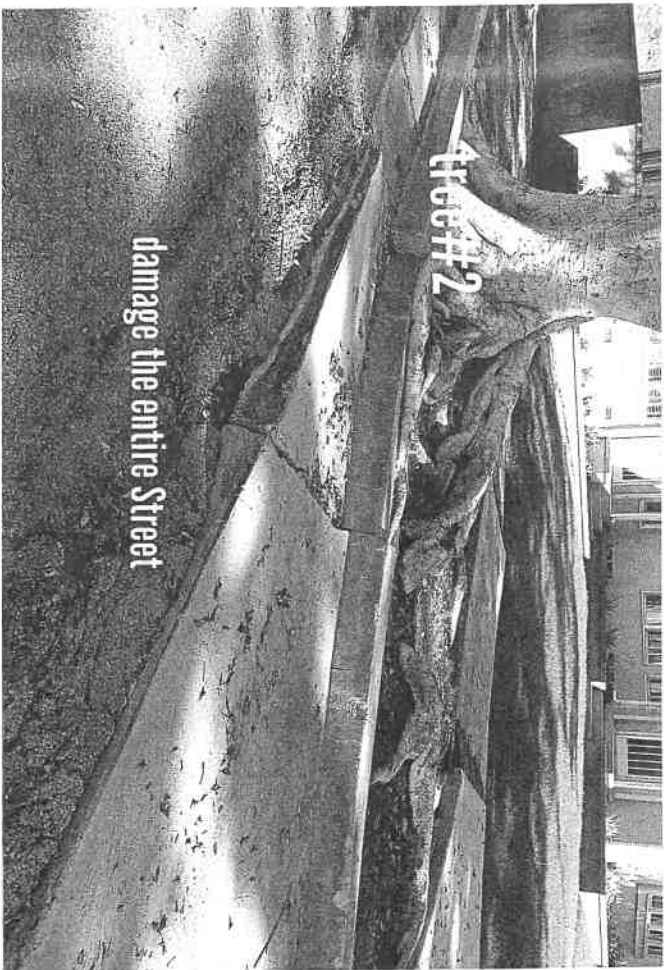
COMMENTS tree will be affected by wind effects if tree#2 ben remove

tree damadge the entire street, and curb  
history of previous broken limb  
recomendation tree remove and replace

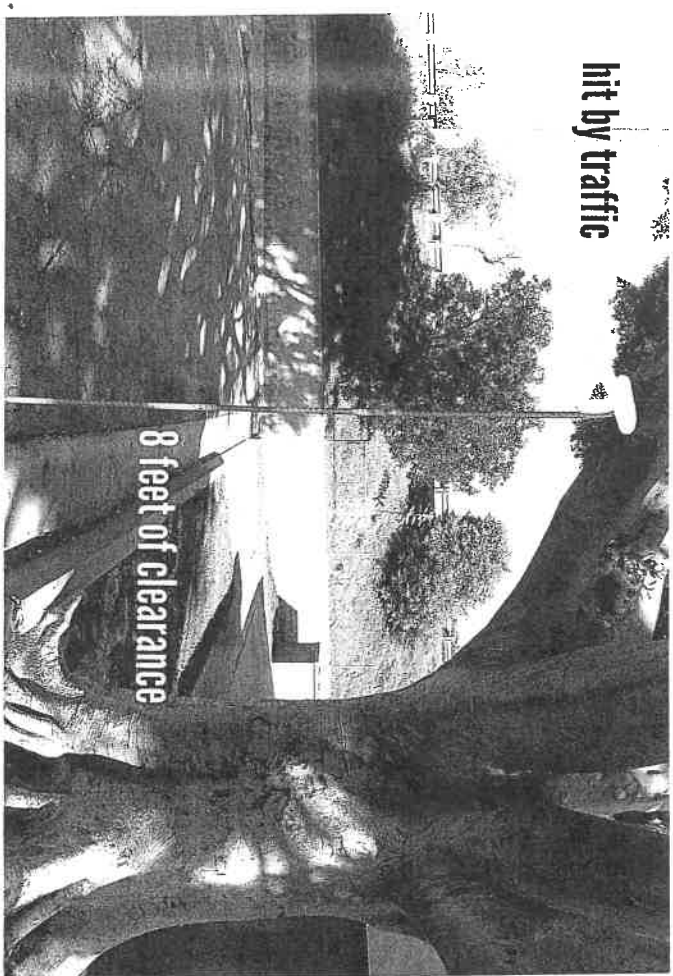
Note; Approximately 6 years back the City have a sidewalk improvement on this location  
we recommended tree remove ,but a city resident from this address complain and  
regard to save this trees , so we decided to skip this improvement.





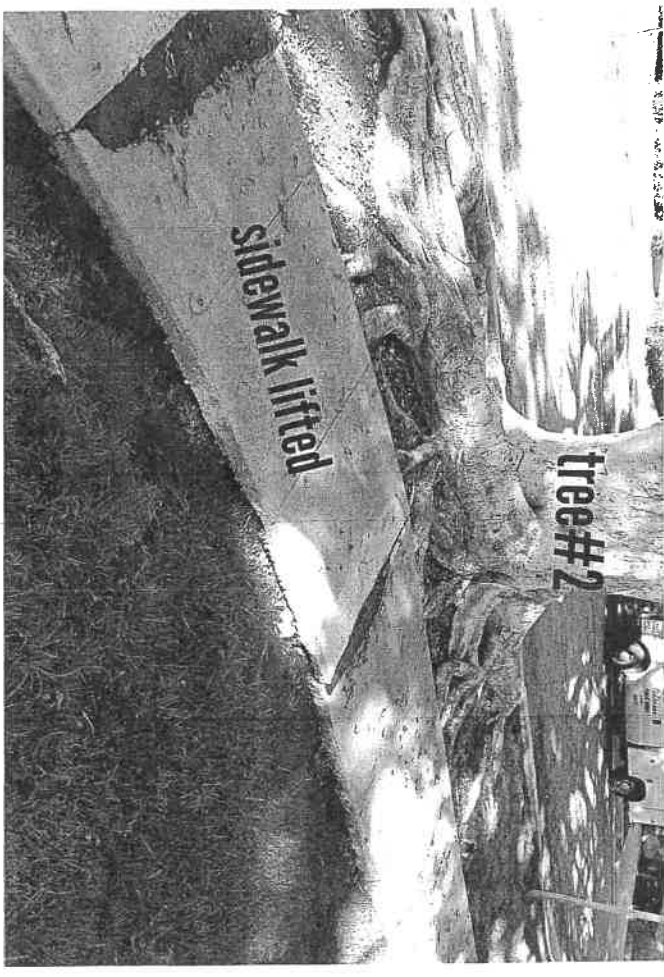


damage the entire Street

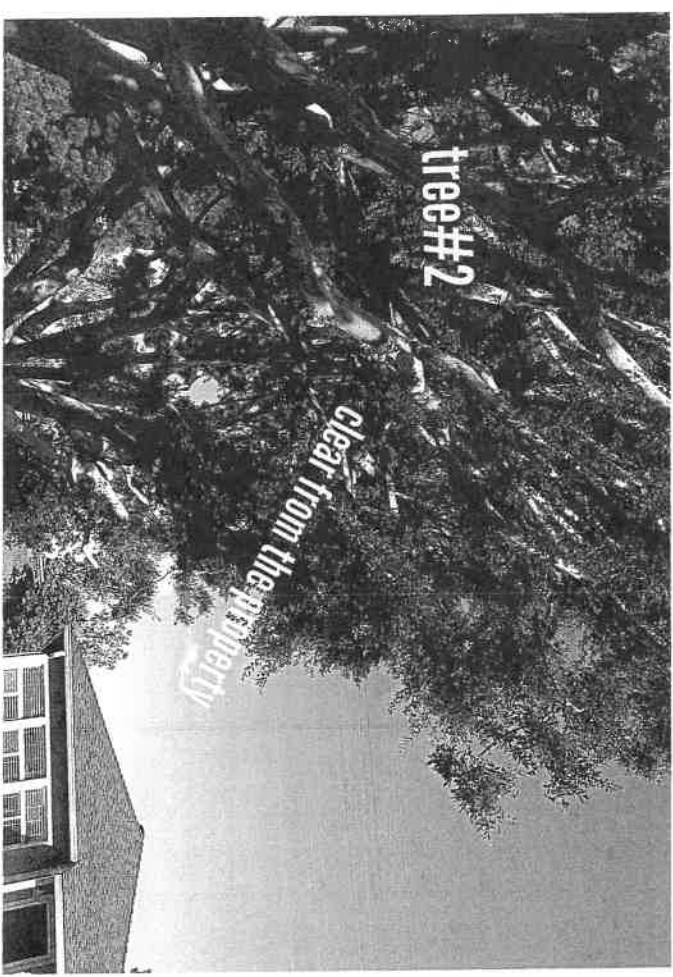


hit by traffic

8 feet of clearance

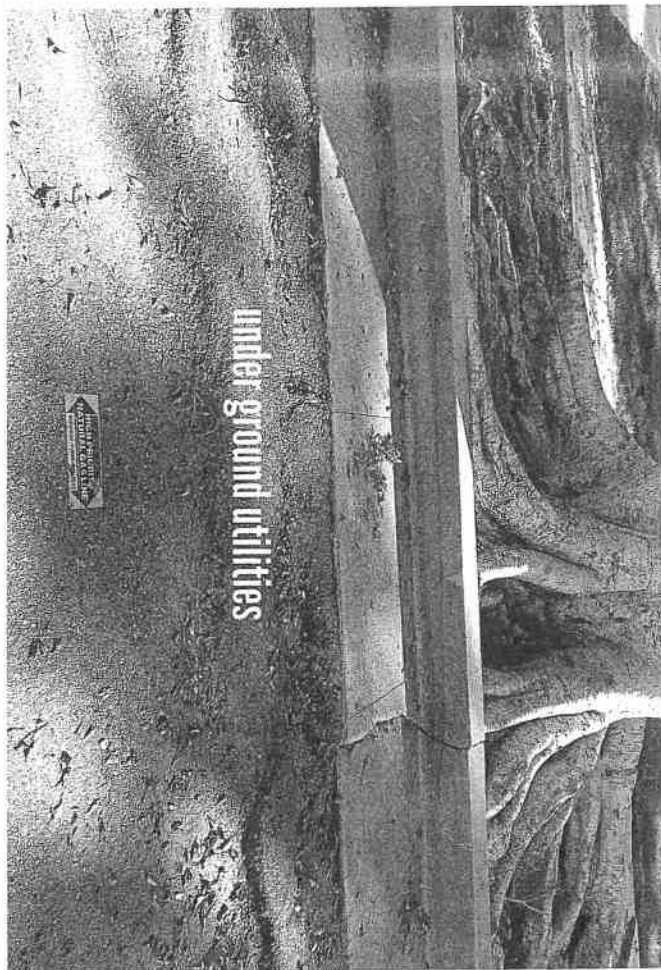


sidewalk lifted

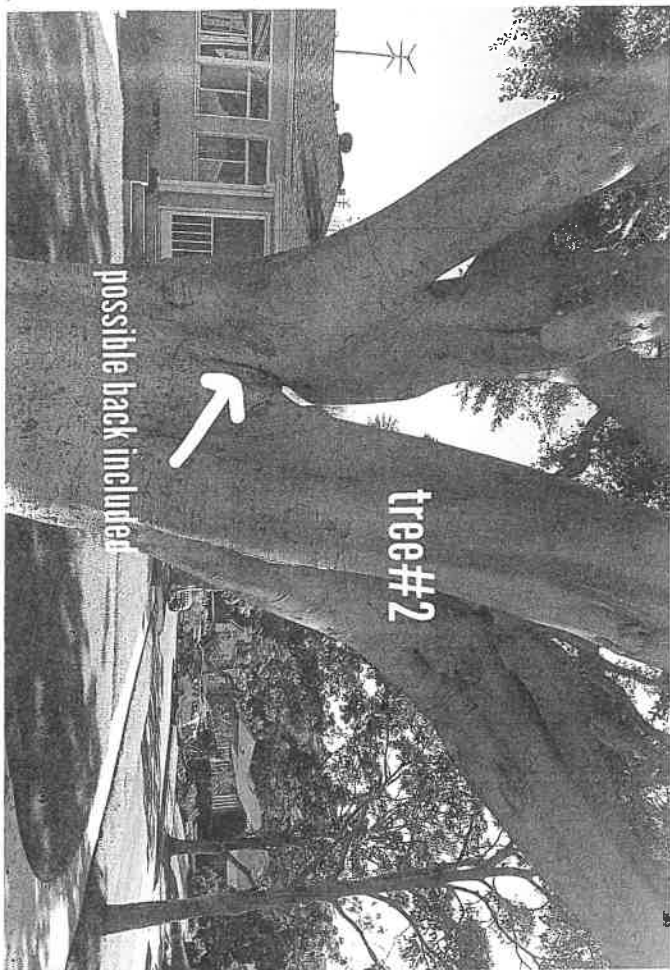


tree#2

clear from the property

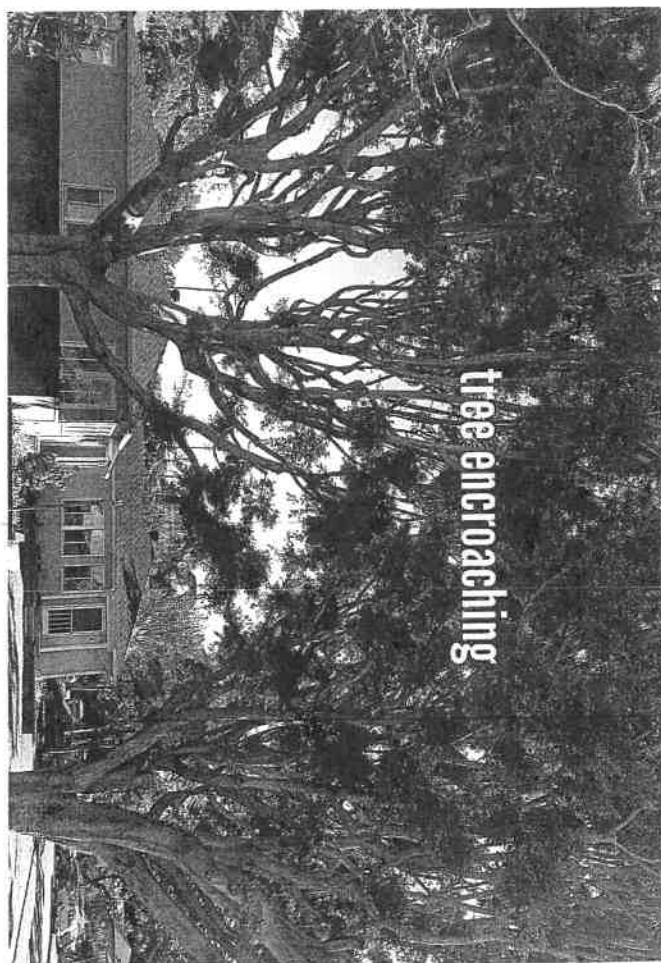


under ground utilities

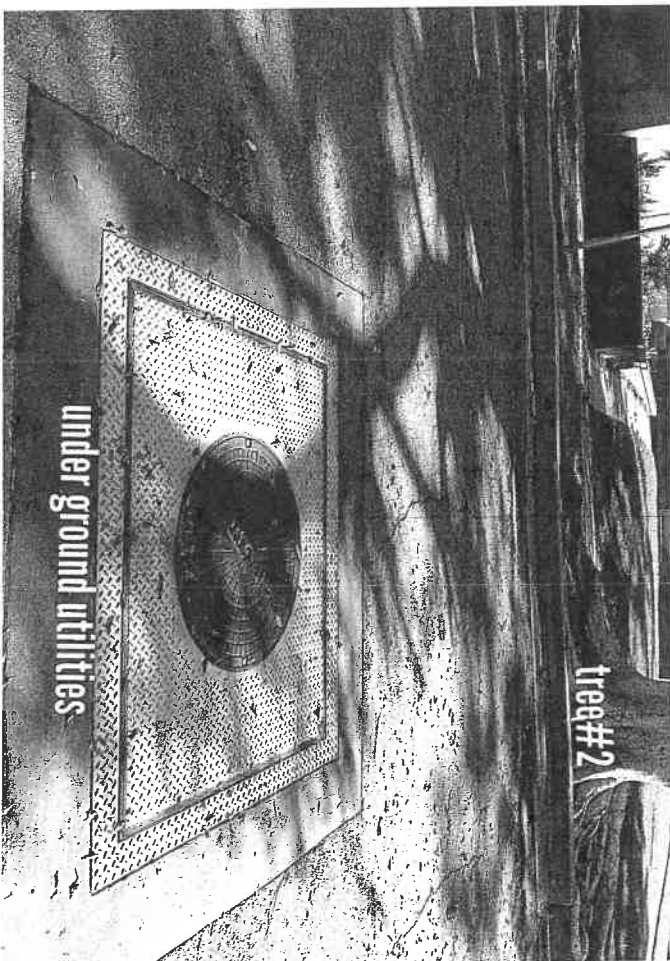


tree#2

possible back included



tree encroaching



tree#2

under ground utilities



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Site/Address: 10731 Norhtgate St Tree # 2  
Map/Location: Tract 14843 Lot 112 Block 10000  
Owner: public ☒ private ☐ unknown ☐ other ☐  
Date: 12/31/2019 Inspector: David Talavera  
Date of last inspection: David Talavera

## HAZARD RATING:

3	+	4	+	2	=	9
Failure Potential		Size of part		Target Rating		Hazard Rating
Immediate action needed						
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## TREE CHARACTERISTICS

Tree #: \_\_\_\_\_ Species: Ficus Microcarpa Nitida  
DBH: 33" # of trunks: 1 Height: 48' Spread: 50  
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Crown class: ☐ dominant ☒ co-dominant ☐ intermediate ☐ suppressed  
Live crown ratio: 90 % Age class: ☐ young ☐ semi-mature ☒ mature ☐ over-mature/senescent  
Pruning history: ☐ crown cleaned ☒ excessively thinned ☐ topped ☐ crown raised ☐ pollarded ☐ crown reduced ☐ flush cuts ☐ cabled/braced  
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Foliage color: ☒ normal ☐ chlorotic ☐ necrotic Epicormics? Y N  
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Woundwood development: ☐ excellent ☒ average ☐ poor ☐ none  
Vigor class: ☐ excellent ☒ average ☐ fair ☐ poor  
Major pests/diseases: None pests or diseases  
Growth obstructions: ☐ stakes ☐ wire/ties ☐ signs ☐ cables  
☐ curb/pavement ☐ guards  
☒ other traffic

## SITE CONDITIONS

Site Character: ☒ residence ☐ commercial ☐ industrial ☐ park ☐ open space ☐ natural ☐ woodland/forest  
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# **TREE DEFECTS** Tree #2

## **ROOT DEFECTS:**

Suspect root rot: Y ☒ N ☐ Mushroom/conk/bracket present: Y ☒ N ☐ ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Exposed roots: ☒ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low Undermined: ☐ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low

Root pruned: 10 distance from trunk Root area affected: 25 % Buttress wounded: Y N When: \_\_\_\_\_

Restricted root area: ☒ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low Potential for root failure: ☐ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low

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Decay in plane of lean: Y ☒ N ☐ Roots broken Y ☒ N ☐ Soil cracking: Y N

Compounding factors: None pests or diseases Lean severity: ☐ severe ☐ moderate ☐ low

**CROWN DEFECTS:** Indicate presence of individual defects and rate their severity (s = severe, m = moderate, l = low) N=negative

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Bow, sweep				L
Codominants/forks			S	
Multiple attachments			S	S
Included bark			M	
Excessive end weight			S	S
Cracks/splits			N	N
Hangers			N	
Girdling	N			
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Bleeding/sap flow	N		N	
Loose/cracked bark		N		N
Nesting hole/bee hive				N
Deadwood/stubs				L
Borers/termites/ants	N		N	
Cankers/galls/burls	N		N	
Previous failure				N

## **HAZARD RATING**

Tree part most likely to fail: Big Scaffold

Inspection period: ☒ annual ☐ biannual ☐ other

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Remove tree: ☒ N ☐ Replace? ☒ N ☐ Move target: Y ☒ N ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Effect on adjacent trees: ☐ none ☒ evaluate side walk and curb damage by the tree roots:

Notification: ☒ owner ☐ manager ☒ governing agency Date: illegal trimming

**COMMENTS** include bark hazard condition at this time tree

tree encroaching with tree #1

Under ground utility, roots over the lawnscap area

Recomendation remove and replace

Note; same condition to tree #1



