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City of Lake Forest Park
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Re: Arborist Review Tree Permit #2016-ARP-0023, Review and Recommendations
Site: Brentwood Beach LLC property, 17114 Brentwood PL NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

The tree removal application was checked for compliance with the standards and requirements pursuant to Chapter 16.14 LFPMC. On May 10, 2016 I met with Linda Pruitt, manager of Brentwood Beach LLC, at the site, to review and discussed the proposed activities and tree removals for the property and to conduct my site and tree inspections. The Site Plan drawings for the proposed project included with the tree removal application were used to assist with my task. This report outlines my inspection and includes my findings, conclusions, and recommendations.

Proposed Activity

The existing house and structures on the property will be demolished and 2 single family residences will be constructed. There are a total of thirteen (13) trees proposed or recommended for removal to allow the project to be completed as planned, refer to Site Plans and Appendix A: *2015 Aerial Site Photo*.

Methods

I conducted my tree inspection and evaluation for the trees following the protocol of the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) for Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) that employs a visual and non invasive inspection of the overall health and external condition of each tree and site conditions. I also conducted a basic level tree risk assessment, adhering to tree care industry standards, protocols and practices set by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), and the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), that employs a 360-degree, ground- based detailed visual and non-invasive inspection of a tree, including tree crown, trunk, trunk flare, above ground roots and site conditions around the tree in relation to targets. The time frame for

tree risk assessments, the period in which estimating the likelihood of failure, is generally 1-5 years, unless otherwise noted. The time frame for risk categorization should not be considered a guarantee period for the risk assessment.

All significant trees, (a tree that is 6.0" in diameter at breast height (DBH), 4.5 feet above grade, on the site were inspected and assessed for species, size, health and structural condition, critical root zone, and drip line, see *Attachment: Table of Trees*.

All inspected trees were tagged with aluminum tree tags stapled at approximately six feet above grade. Trees are numbered #1 through #20, beginning with Tree #1 located at the SE corner of the lot and continuing west around the lot ending with Tree #20. The significant trees are shown on the Site Plan and Appendix A: *2015 Aerial Site Photo*.

All trees proposed for retention were thoroughly inspected and evaluated for their suitability to tolerate the expected construction impacts and for their overall worthiness for long term retention. There are 2 offsite trees on adjacent properties that are within five feet of the property line.

Findings

Site

This is a developed single-family residential lot, 9,783 square feet in size. The tree canopy coverage goal for this size lot, pursuant to Chapters 16.14.080, is 28 % (2,739 sq. ft.). The current canopy coverage, from trees originating on the lot, is approximately 56% (5,500 sq. ft.), as determined either by collected tree data and/or interpretation of high resolution aerial photography, see Appendix A: *2015 Aerial Site Photo*.

Subject Trees

There are twenty (20) significant trees on the lot. Thirteen (13) trees are proposed or recommended for removal and seven (7) trees are proposed to retain. See *Attachment: Table of Trees*, for complete inventory and assessment.

Trees 2, 3 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17 and 19 will be removed to allow the project to be completed as planned. Removal of all 13 trees will reduce the total tree canopy coverage by approximately 3,700 sq. ft.

There are seven (7) trees that have potential to be retained. The trees proposed to retain are trees 1, 4, 10, 11, 16, 18 and 20. They are generally in good overall health and condition and would pose low risk to the new residence. They are suitable to tolerate the proposed construction activities, provided the recommended tree protection measures are followed, see Appendix B: *Tree Protection Measures*. The tree protection measures should be installed prior to the demolition of the existing structures.

Offsite Trees A and B, located in the SE corner of the lot, are within 5ft of the common property line and shall be protected, see Appendix B: *Tree Protection Measures*.

Tree Canopy Replacement

The current tree canopy coverage over the entire lot is approximately 5,500 sq. ft. (56%). Removal of all 13 trees will reduce tree canopy coverage that originates from trees on the lot by approximately 3,700 sq. ft. The total amount of retained tree canopy coverage, over the lot, will be approximately 1,800 sq. ft. (18%). Therefore, pursuant to Chapters 16.14.080 LFPMC, a Tree Replacement Plan is required to replace canopy coverage. Trees are required to be planted in sufficient numbers to replace 940 sq. ft. of tree canopy to bring canopy coverage up to the canopy goal of 28%, for the size of the lot, in 30 years.

Conclusion

The 13 trees proposed for removal will allow the project to go forward safely as planned. The trees that will be retained provide economic and environmental benefits that are an asset to the owner and to the community as a whole and are worthy of the energy required preserving them.

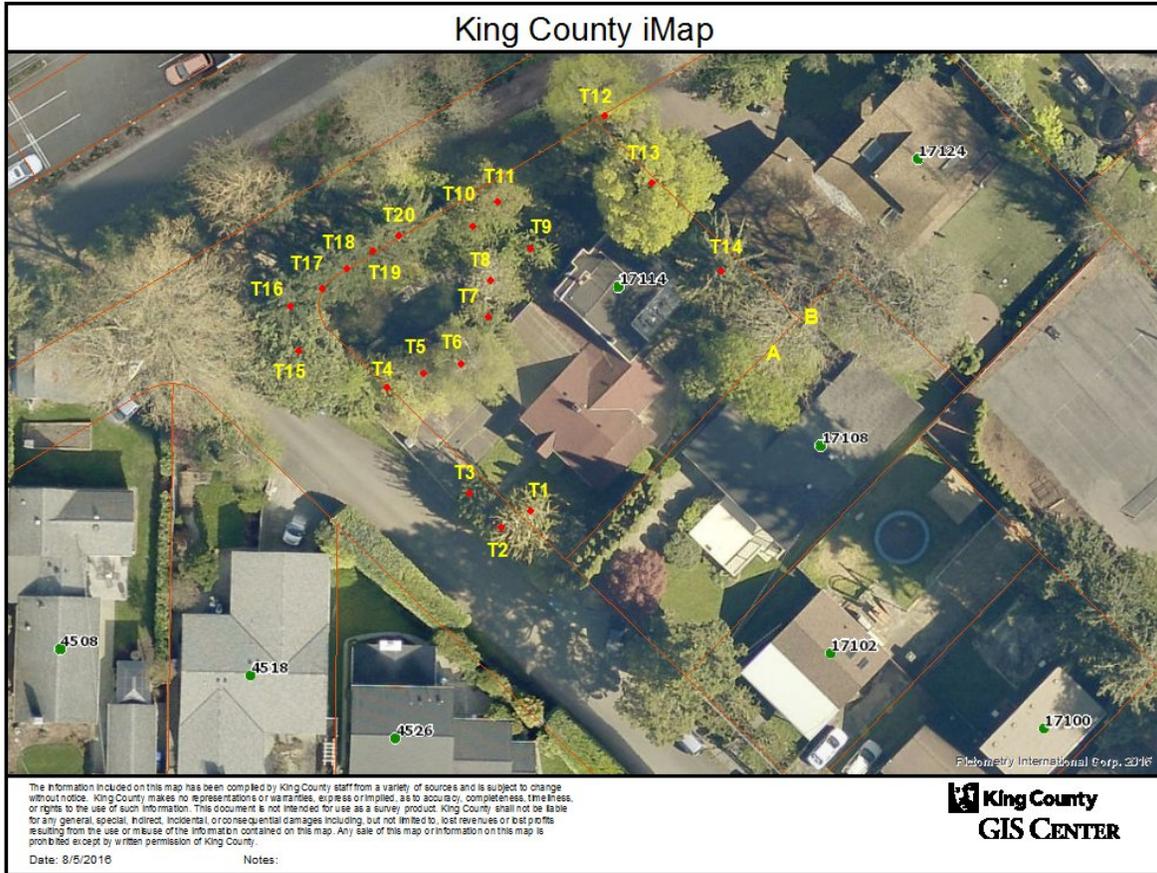
Limitations

Tree risk assessment considers known targets and visible or detectable tree conditions. Unless expressed otherwise, information contained in this report covers only those items that were examined and reflects the condition of those items at the time of inspection. It must be realized that trees are living organisms and their health and vigor constantly change over time. They are not immune to changes in the site conditions or seasonal variations in the weather. There is no warranty or guarantee expressed or implied that problems or deficiencies of the trees in question may not arise in the future. The report and conclusions expressed herein represent the opinion of Michael Woodbury d/b/a M. Woodbury Consulting Arborist. Please contact me should you have questions regarding this report.

Respectfully submitted,
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APPENDIX A: 2015 AERIAL SITE PHOTO
Brentwood PL NE
Lake Forest Park, WA



Locations of inventoried trees.

<u>Trees proposed for removal:</u>	<u>Trees to retain:</u>	<u>Offsite trees:</u>
T2	T1	A and B
T3	T4	
T5	T10	
T6	T11	
T7	T16	
T8	T18	
T9	T20	
T12		

Attachment: Tree Protection Measures

In order for trees to survive the stresses placed upon them in the construction process, tree protection must be planned in advance of equipment arrival on site. If tree protection is not planned integral with the design and layout of the project, the trees will suffer needlessly and will possibly die. With proper preparation, often costing little, or nothing extra to the project budget, trees can survive and thrive after construction. This is critical for tree survival because damage prevention is the single most effective treatment for trees on construction sites. Once trees are damaged, the treatment options available are limited.

The following minimum Tree Protection Measures are:

Trees 1 and 4, located along the south side of the lot, can be protected with individual single circular Tree Protection Fences (TPF).

1. Install a continuous circular TPF, of polyethylene laminar safety fencing material, a minimum of 4 feet high and supported by metal fence posts, spaced approximately 4 feet apart, in a radial arc 12 feet from the trunk of each the tree. Installation of the TPF facing the construction zone shall be as close to the edge of work as feasible, if less than the recommended 12 feet. Grading immediate to these areas should be limited as much as feasible.
2. Place a layer of mulch, woodchips are recommended, at least 4" in depth covering the area within the TPF.
3. The area within the tree protection fencing is the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) and nothing must be parked or stored within the TPZ; no equipment, vehicles, soil, debris, or construction supplies of any sorts.
4. The TPF is to remain and be maintained for the entire time of the project.

Trees 10, 11, 16, 18, and 20, located along the west side lot, can be protected with a single continuous Tree Protection Fence (TPF).

1. Starting at the NW corner of the lot install a continuous TPF, of polyethylene laminar safety fencing material, a minimum of 4 feet high and supported by metal fence posts spaced approximately 4 feet apart, in a continues line in front of Trees 10, 11, 16, 18 and 20 at a distance equal to the drip line of each tree. Installation of the TPF facing the construction zone shall be as close to the edge of work as feasible, if less than the recommended extent of the drip line. Grading immediate to these areas should be limited as much as feasible.
2. Place a layer of mulch, woodchips are recommended, at least 4" in depth covering the area within the TPF.
3. The area within the tree protection fencing is the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) and nothing must be parked or stored within the TPZ; no equipment, vehicles, soil, debris, or construction supplies of any sorts.
4. The TPF is to remain and be maintained for the entire time of the project.

The Tree Protection Fences need to be clearly marked with the following or similar text in four inch or larger letters:

**“TREE PROTECTION FENCE
DO NOT ENTER THIS AREA
DO NOT PARK OR STORE MATERIALS WITHIN THE PROTECTED AREA”
To report violations call the City of Lake Forest Park, 206-368-5440**

Refer to Figure :1 Tree Protection Fence Diagram.

Off Site Trees

Offsite Trees A and B, located along the common property boundary in the SE corner of the lot, can be protected with a single continuous TPF installed along the common property line in front of the 2 trees, in addition to any requirement for a silt fence along the property boundary. Grading immediate to these areas should be limited as much as feasible.

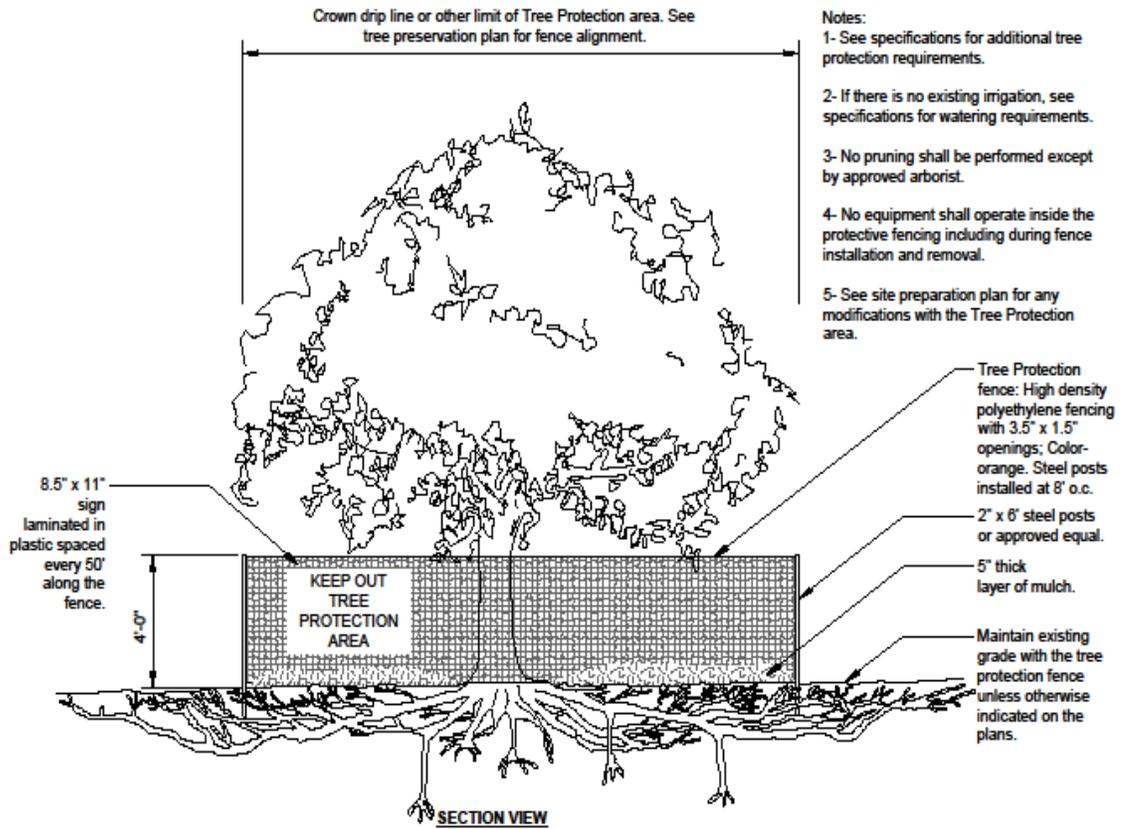
Additional Tree Protection Measures:

- During excavation roots over 1 inch in diameter can be cleanly cut back to the edge of disturbance using loppers. Roots over 2 inches in diameter shall be cleanly cut with a saws all saw.
- If pruning is needed for clearance, it should be done by a certified arborist or under his/her supervision. The construction crew should not perform the pruning task.
- Water the TPZ of the retained trees during the construction period.
- Other appropriate tree protection measures not withstanding to Chapter 16.14.090 LFPMC

Summary Timeline for Tree Protection Measures

1. Project crew to install tree protection fencing.
2. The City arborist to inspect tree protection fences and attend the pre-work meeting with the project and construction representatives.
3. The City arborist to make site visits during tree removal and demolition and during peak construction activities.
4. The City arborist to make a post - construction inspection and recommend post-construction tree maintenance treatments, as needed.

Figure 1: Tree Protection Fence Drawing.



S-X TREE PROTECTION

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