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MOBILE TREE COMMISSION

STAFF REPORT Date: August 18, 2015

APPLICANT NAME Sara Kindt

LOCATION 1119 Dauphin Street

(South side of Dauphin Street, 232'+ East of Oakland

Terrace)

REQUEST Treatment or removal of a 30" Magnolia

CITY COUNCIL

DISTRICT District 2

PRESENT ZONING R-1, Single-Family Residential

HEALTH OF TREEThe magnolia is covered with lichens throughout the tree

but it causes no harm.

CONTRIBUTING

FACTORS None

ENGINEERING

COMMENTS None

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

COMMENTS None

URBAN FORESTRY

COMMENTS There is minimal dead wood present throughout the canopy with limb decay seen in lower limbs. The canopy is full with no decay seen in the trunk. There is a plethora of surface roots covering the r-o-w on each side of the tree with a girdling root present at the base of the tree.

PLANNING

COMMENTS If the tree is healthy, as indicated by Forestry, trimming to remove dead wood would be appropriate.

<u>MAWSS</u> None

ANALYSIS Forestry has indicated that while the tree has lichens, they do not pose a threat to the tree. Further, with a full canopy, no decay in the trunk, and obviously an adequate root system, it may be assumed that the tree is healthy.

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Generally, the Commission does not approve the removal of healthy trees – especially trees such as a Magnolia. Further, given the location of the site – on Dauphin Street, one of the premier tree lined streets in the heart of the Old Dauphin Way Historic District, the loss of such a tree would be significant. Especially as the tree is healthy.

RECOMMENDATION Based on the preceding, it is recommended that the request to remove the tree be denied; and that the applicant be allowed to obtain the services of a licensed arborist, at the applicant's expense, to treat the tree for lichens if determined necessary. All work to be coordinated with Forestry.



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

CITY OF MOBILE MOBILE TREE COMMISSION	Application No Date: 06-29-15
1. Applicant:	2. Owner (if different from applicant):
Name: Sara Kindt	Name: Tree is on City Property
Address: 1119 Dauphin St	Address:
Zip Code: 36604	Zip Code:
E-mail: sara@sunshinesuesplaygarden.com	E-mail:
Telephone Number: 251.367.5955	Telephone Number:
	, in the Median City Council District: 2
	Trim:Remove:or treat
5. Approximate Diameter four (4) feet from t	he ground: 8 ft? Height: 35 ft?
6. Reason for Removal or Trimming as Reque	
the tree because it is infected with a fungus or mold and is	
	Applicant Kindt
ation Fee - None	Owner - if different from applicant
ant must be present at meeting to represent requ	uest.
porting information must be submitted with the	e application (Four Copies) by filing date.
s must be made in writing to the City of Mobil	e Planning Commission within 15 days of the meeting
projects involving multiple trees may be held ov	er to the following month's agenda
he time required by staff to investigate.	

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