

**MOBILE TREE COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT****Date: September 20, 2016**

<b><u>APPLICANT NAME</u></b>	Eugene McCreary
<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>	104 Randolph Street (East side of Randolph Street, 25'± North of Old Shell Road)
<b><u>REQUEST</u></b>	Remove a Sycamore
<b><u>CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT</u></b>	District 1
<b><u>PRESENT ZONING</u></b>	B-2, Neighborhood Business District
<b><u>HEALTH OF TREE</u></b>	The tree appears to be in good health
<b><u>CONTRIBUTING FACTORS</u></b>	N/A
<b><u>ENGINEERING COMMENTS</u></b>	None
<b><u>TRAFFIC ENGINEERING COMMENTS</u></b>	None
<b><u>URBAN FORESTRY COMMENTS</u></b>	Urban Forestry recommends removal of the tree due to the growth of the surface roots which are encroaching the handicap ramp which will eventually cause the ramp no longer to be utilized.
<b><u>PLANNING COMMENTS</u></b>	Given the proximity of the tree to the house, it is doubtful that the ramp can be redesigned to avoid issues with the tree and maintain a safe slope, compliant with code requirements.
<b><u>MAWSS</u></b>	N/A
<b><u>ANALYSIS</u></b>	The applicant is requesting removal of a sycamore tree due to damage it is causing to a handicap ramp that provides access to the residence. The photos submitted with the application illustrate not only the proximity of the ramp to the tree, but also damage that has been done to the ramp.

As noted by Forestry, the surface roots will continue to damage the ramp and ultimately make it unusable. Planning has noted that there does not appear to be an opportunity to redesign the ramp in such a manner that it can be located where the roots will not continue to do damage and still maintain a safe slope that is compliant with code requirements.

Further, based on photos and Google Street View, there does not appear to be a side entrance to the residence. To require that the only handicap access be to the rear of the residence would create issues in that there is not a paved drive to the rear of the property and therefore any individual requiring use of a ramp would have to traverse a grass drive to get to the front of the property.

**RECOMMENDATION**      **Based on the preceding, this request is recommended for approval, subject to the following conditions:**

- 1. All work is to be done by a certified, licensed and bonded arborist;**
- 2. All work is to be coordinated with the Forestry Unit of Parks and Recreation Department;**
- 3. All work in the right-of-way requires a right-of-way permit;**



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

CITY OF MOBILE  
OFFICE OF TREE COMMISSION

Application No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Applicant:

Name Eugene McCreary  
Address 704 Randolph St.  
Mobile, AL 36607

Telephone Number 251-479-1176

2. Owner (if different from applicant):

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

3. Location of Tree: 104 Randolph St.

4. Type of Tree: Sycamore tree Trim \_\_\_\_\_ Remove ☒

5. Approximate Diameter four (4) feet from the ground: unknown Height unknown

6. Reason for Removal or Trimming as Requested: tree is breaking  
the ramp.

Eugene McCreary  
Applicant

Owner - if different from applicant

The above application is (Approved, Disapproved) this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Chairman of the Tree Commission

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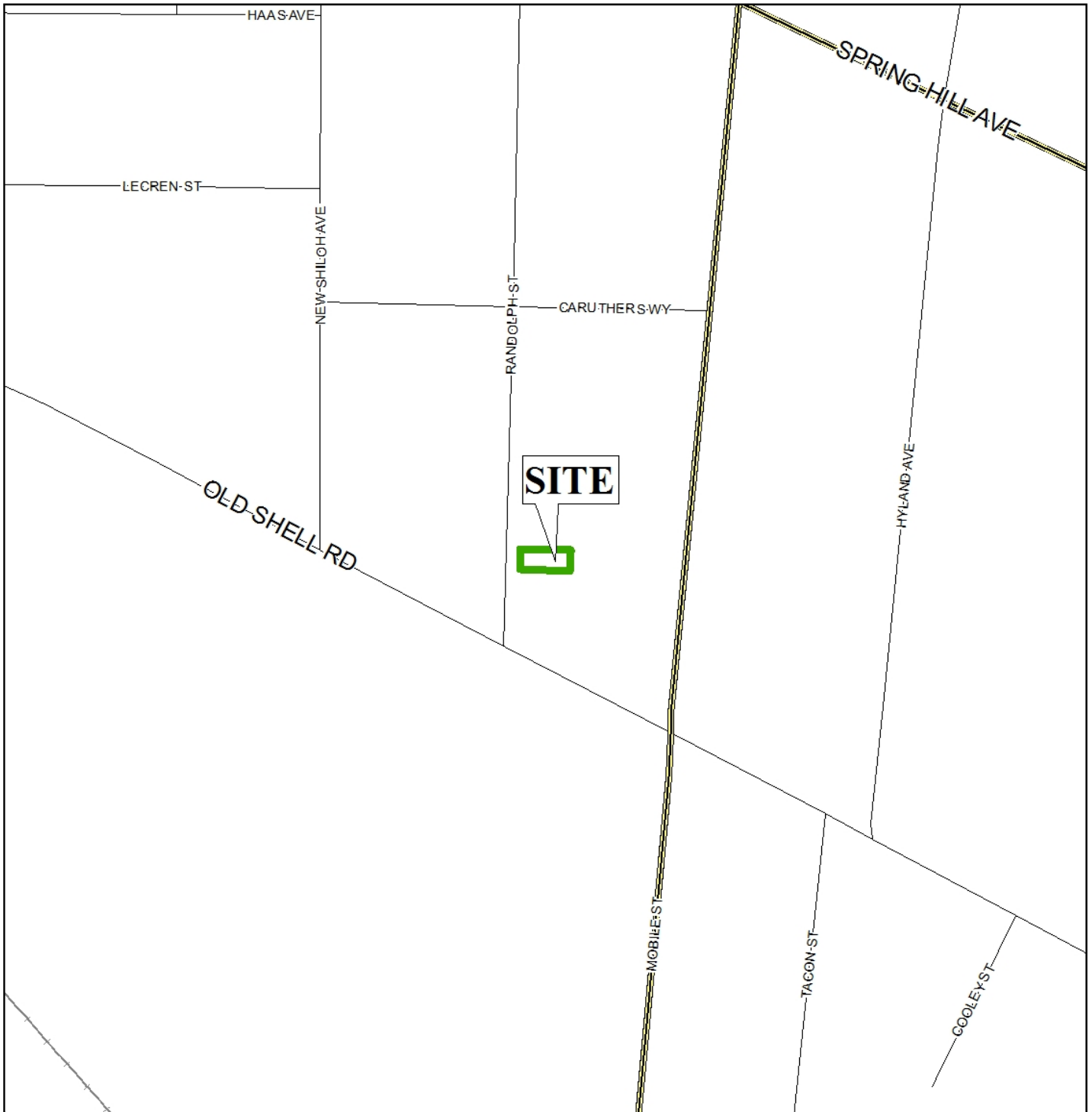
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# MOBILE TREE COMMISSION LOCATOR MAP



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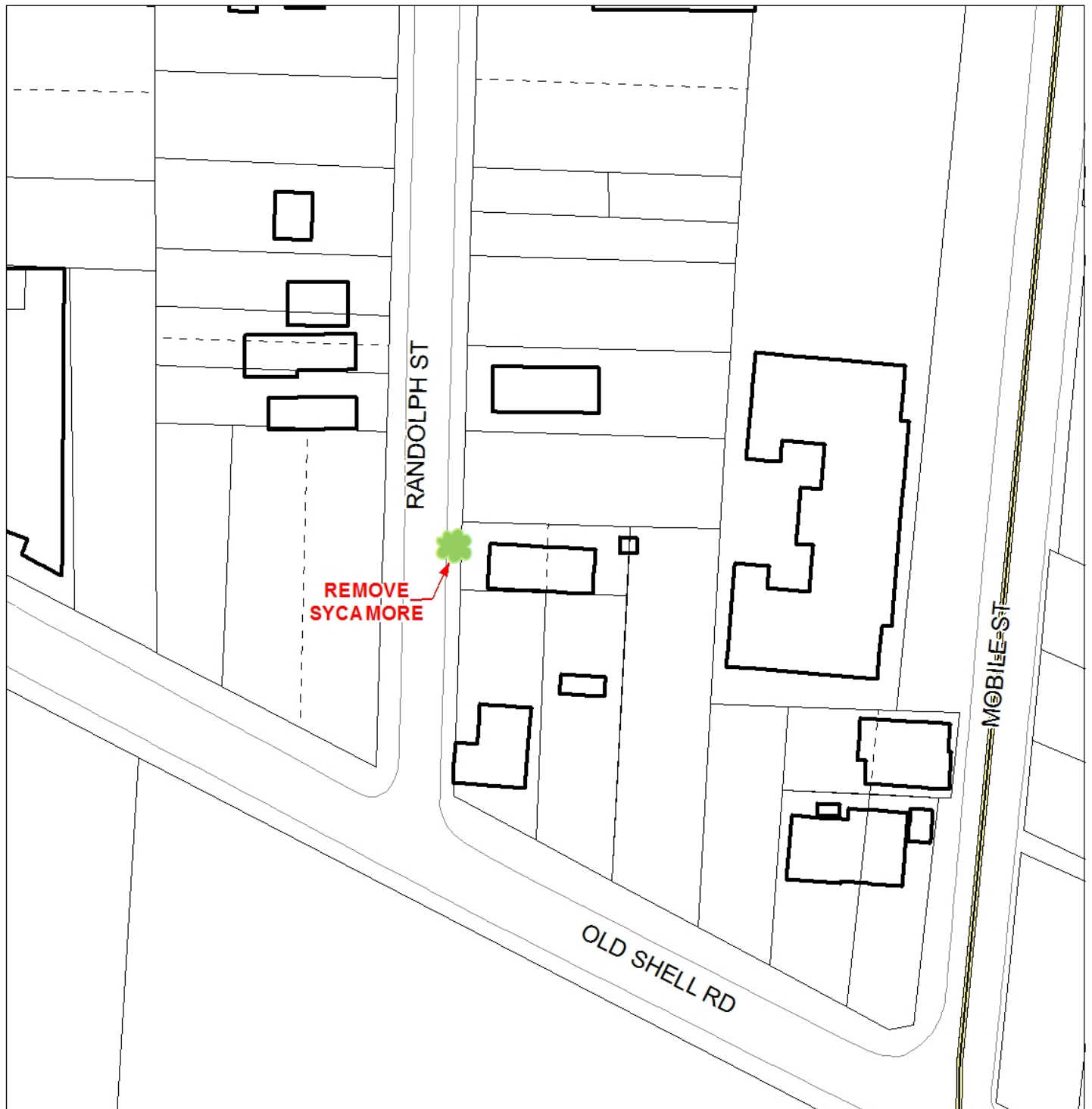
Location 104 Randolph Street

Request Remove Sycamore Tree

1 inch = 275 feet



# MOBILE TREE COMMISSION VICINITY MAP



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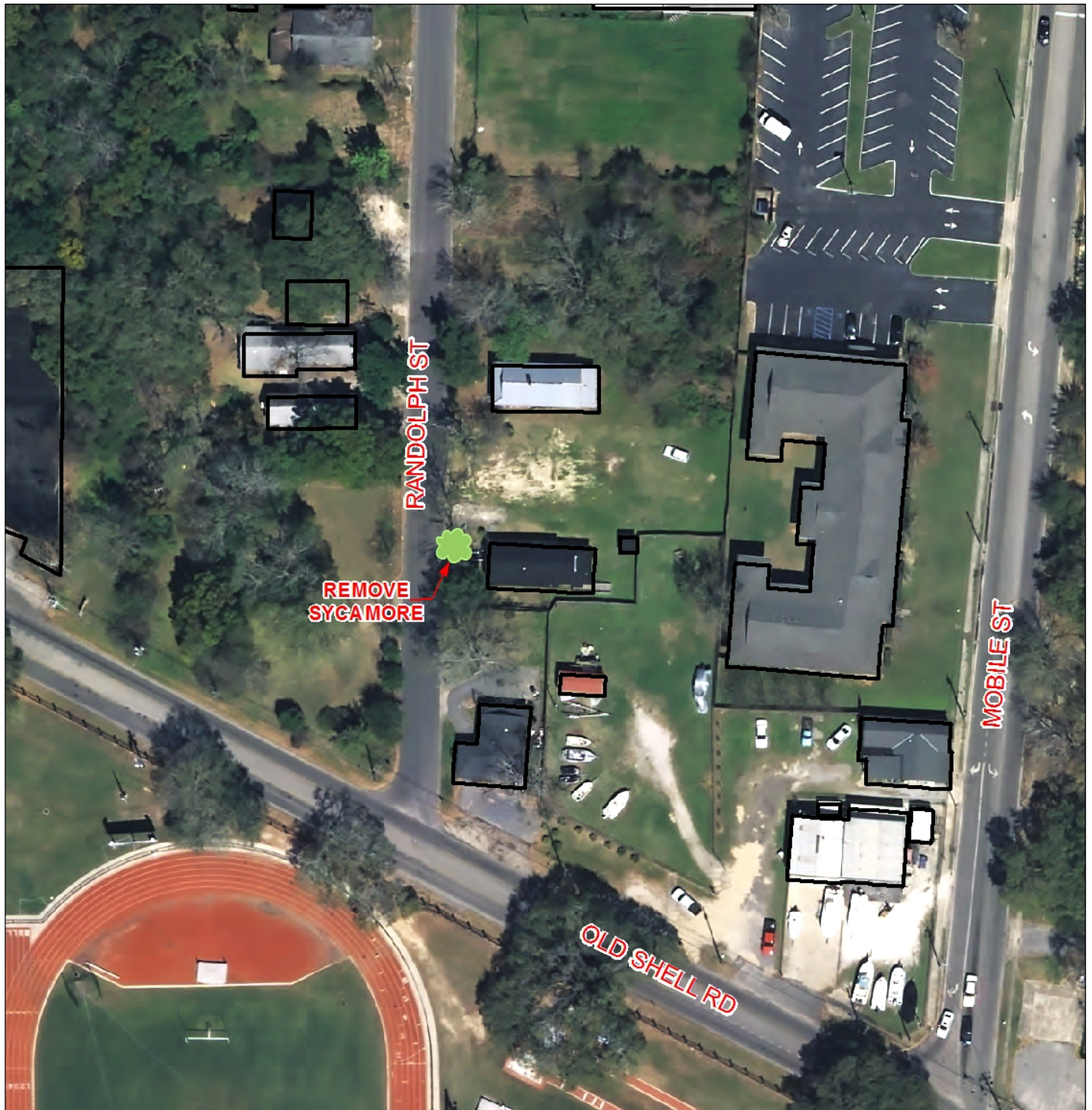
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