

**MOBILE TREE COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT****Date: July 17, 2018****APPLICANT NAME**

Brad Huddleston

LOCATION116 Macy Place
(West side of Macy Place, 131'± South of Luling Street)**REQUEST**

Removal of two 24" Palms Located on Either Side of the Driveway in the ROW in Front of Residence

**CITY COUNCIL
DISTRICT**

District 2

PRESENT ZONING

R-1, Single Family Residential

HEALTH OF TREE

The palms appear to be in good condition

**CONTRIBUTING
FACTORS**

N/A

**ENGINEERING
COMMENTS**

None

**TRAFFIC ENGINEERING
COMMENTS**

None

**URBAN FORESTRY
COMMENTS**

Urban Forestry recommends denial of permit to remove the 2 palm trees as they show no sign of disease or decay.

**PLANNING
COMMENTS**

None.

MAWSS

N/A

ANALYSIS

The applicant is requesting of two 24" Palms located on either side of the driveway in the ROW in front of the residence. The applicant states that the trees are not native, require a lot of upkeep, and are generally an eyesore. He also states that neighbors have complained about their appearance.

It appears that the palms are Windmill Palms (*Trachycarpus fortunei*), which while not native to south Alabama, generally do well in this area. Based upon review of photos submitted, the palms appear to be healthy.

It is the policy of the Commission that when removals are approved, replanting at a two to one ratio is to be required. While the Right Tree Right Place document has not be finalized and adopted by the City, given the limited planting area, any replantings should be understory trees that fall within the group that would fit within the limited planting area. As an alternative, the Commission may consider requiring a donation to the tree bank in the amount of \$200.00 for each palm tree to defray the cost of acquisition and planting of another tree elsewhere in the City.

RECOMMENDATION
for denial.

Based on the preceding, this request is recommended

MOBILE TREE COMMISSION VICINITY MAP



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Request Removal of 24" Palms

1 inch = 50 feet



MOBILE TREE COMMISSION LOCATOR MAP



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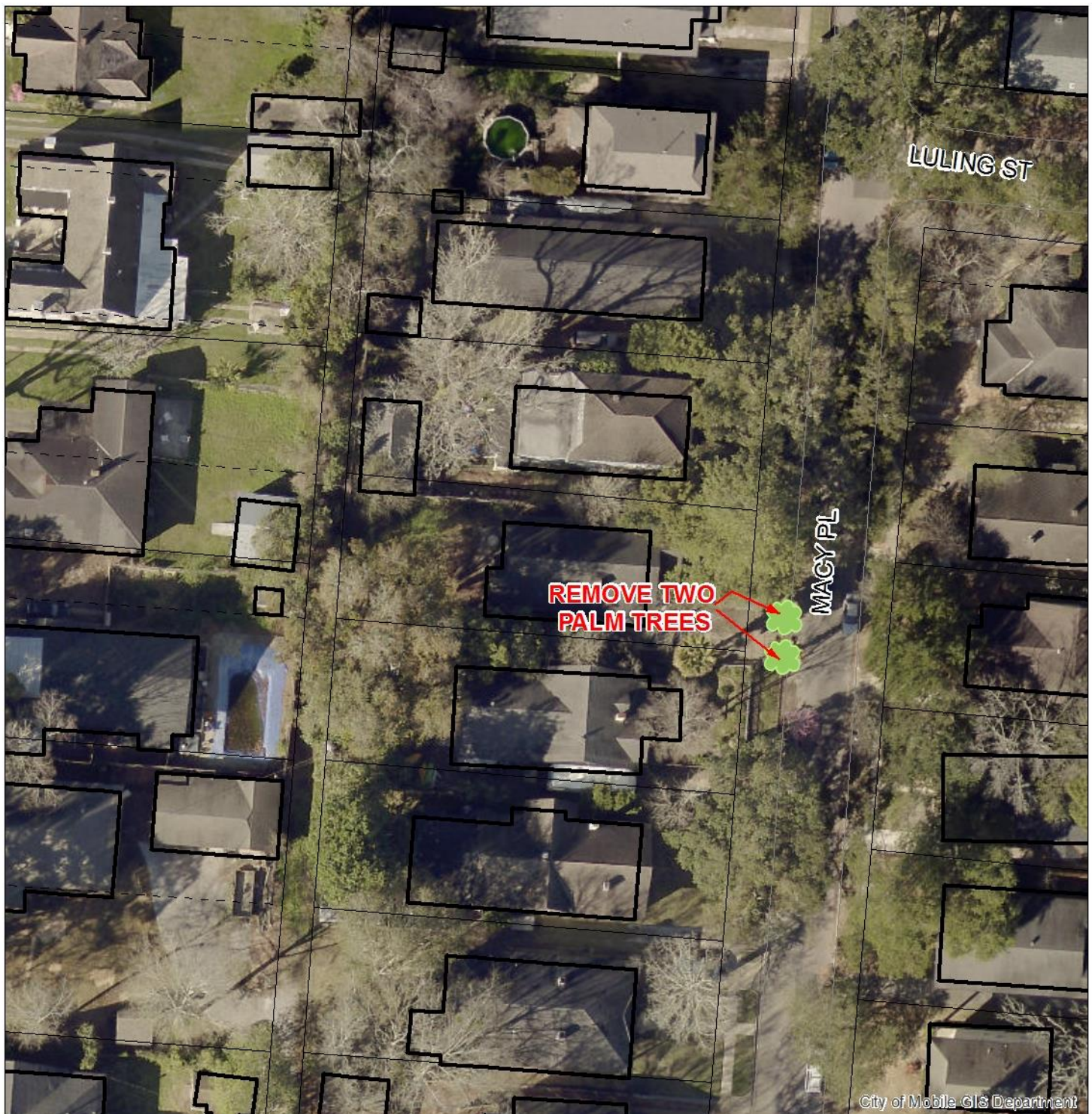
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