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Date: February 14, 2013

To: Todd Williams

Subject: Emergency Tree Removal

Location: 2524 Central Ave

Species: London Plane (*Platanus x hispanica*)

Assignment: Arborist was requested to conduct tree hazard inspection.

Summary

The London Plane represents a serious liability and should be removed immediately.

Tree and Site Description

The tree exists in front of 2524 Central Ave. The DBH¹ was recorded to be 19.5 inches; Height was estimated to be 35 feet. The tree has four main stems, of which three are dead. Fungal fruiting bodies were observed in the crotch. Visual inspection noted decay pockets. Sounding with a mallet confirmed significant internal decay.

Discussion and Analysis

Three of the four scaffold stems are dead. The dead stems present a serious safety concern. Little would remain of the tree if only the dead stems were to be removed.

Recommendations

Remove tree as soon as is possible.

End



Photo above shows the trunk and four main stems of the London Plane. The tree stems to the right of the photo are completely dead.

¹ DBH is tree diameter measured at 54" above soil grade.