



Date: 04-14-2023

Address: 2385 Sprague Lane

Name: New Development

Specific Location: Midwest Corner of Site

Type of Tree: Western Red Cedar

Evaluator: G.Kuznetsov

Tree Designation: Street Private Parks

Assessment:

The tree seems to be in good health and is significant in size. 30" diameter approximately 35 feet tall. The structure of this tree is unique, the top of the tree looks like it was formed or shaped at a young age to eliminate the crown of the tree, sometimes the crown becomes irregular with age. The first half of the tree canopy branches reach the ground and make it difficult to get to the main trunk of the tree. Western Red Cedars are known to have shallow, wide-spreading and strong root systems. The subject tree has many small holes in the bark which could've been caused by borers or woodpeckers. I suggest consulting with a Certified Arborist about the presence of the tiny holes. If this is a severe infestation of beetles, the tree could be evaluated as a risk and recommended for removal. There is a Holly tree established approximately 10 feet from the subject tree that is recommended to be removed. See photos below of subject tree.

Recommendation:

Depending on Development Plans and Building Locations. If the property owner wanted access to the main trunk, it would be challenging to prune the tree with the existing branch structure and make it appealing. If left alone and left as-is, it will be difficult to access the main trunk of the tree. My concerns are the tiny holes throughout the tree. However, if these are found to be a non-health issue and it fits within the development plans, the developer would be able to leave the tree.

Conclusion:

Return to Public Works Director for comment.



Tiny holes throughout the main trunk



Common Western Cedar Crown Shape



Subject Tree Crown Shape

