

Robert Stough

From: STEVE UYENO <suyeno@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 5:28 PM
To: Robert Stough
Subject: Public Tree Advisory Commission - Tree Removal Request

Hello Mr. Stough,

Thank you for informing of us of this opportunity to present to the commission.

We live at 6223 Westmorland (google goes by Westmoreland) Pl in Goleta.

We have a bottle brush tree that is between 6223 and 6227 that needs removal.

It is a danger to the neighborhood and upon examination, an expert had determined that the tree is rotting from within and is so dry that its falling apart.

Here is a picture of the rot within the tree:

(taken after 1/2 the tree cracked and that portion needed removal for safety reasons)

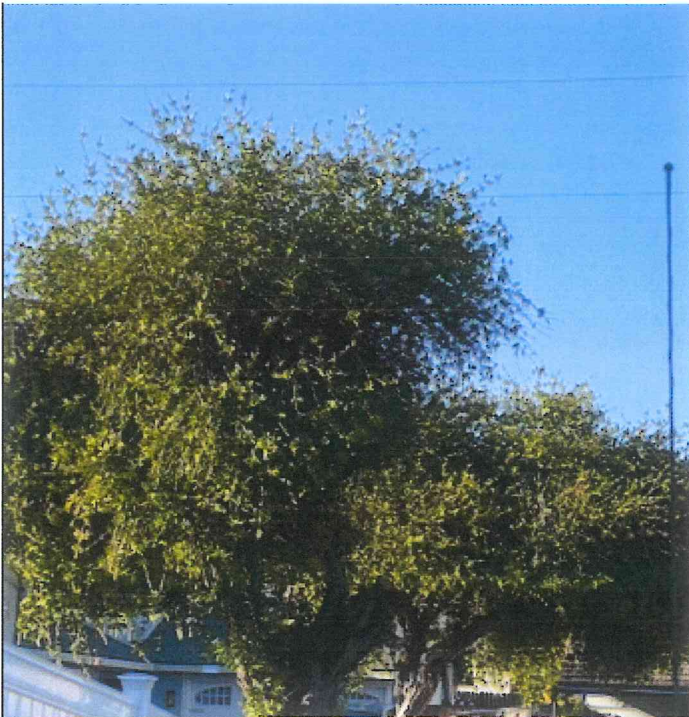


In the past year, this tree has become so large and heavy that one of the main limbs on the east side of the tree started to crack. I understood that someone from Goleta city did look at the tree, but nothing was done. In January I noticed the east side of tree leaning lower than previous and identified a crack in one of the main limbs which soon broke off. To make the area safe for the community, I did remove that portion of the tree, but recently more of the tree has come down and I have now taken 3 truck loads of tree waste for disposal.

Please also consider the following:

- These trees are a nuisance in our neighborhood and it creates a big mess that homeowners have to maintain.
- These trees have been removed from all tree planting lists for our local cities
- When these trees do exist in other areas they are trimmed way back

This our neighborhood:



These are other trees in other neighborhoods:



Please consider removal of this tree for reasons stated above.

Best regards,

Steve Uyeno, 6223 Westmorland Pl

From: bgdahlke@cox.net
To: [Robert Stough](#)
Cc: [Wook Uyeno](#); [Gerald Dahlke](#)
Subject: Westmorland Bottlebrush tree removal
Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022 9:36:24 AM
Attachments: [Bottlebrush removal request.docx](#)

Dear Mr. Stough,

Please forward my comments (and two photos) to members of the Tree Commission, as I may not have the ability to join the Zoom meeting on March 30.

Thank you,
Gerald Dahlke

Gerald Dahlke
6227 Westmorland Pl
Goleta, CA
March 24, 2022

The Goleta Tree Commission

In regards to Westmorland Bottlebrush tree removal

To the members of the Tree Commission,

I want to thank you for the speedy removal of the Bottlebrush tree that was directly in front of my house after I sent photos of large mushrooms growing on the tree. Prior to those photos the Commission had determined the trees are healthy and ruled that there's no reason to remove them. On inspection of the tree stump one can now see that roughly 50% of the stump is rotten (photo included).

Not too long ago a 7 inch branch of the second Bottlebrush tree adjoining my property and 6223 Westmorland broke off, taking several other branches with it. This large branch is also rotten. What's left of the tree is now ugly looking, with about 40% of the limbs missing (photo included). In addition, although I no longer recall the circumstances, about 25 years ago there was another Bottlebrush tree at 6223 Westmorland which had to be removed.

And about 10 years ago another Bottlebrush tree (6233 Westmorland) fell over on top of a car.

All four of the trees I've mentioned were directly adjacent to each other. Three are now gone and major branches have broken off of the fourth. These trees are by no means healthy! I urge you to remove them as soon as possible before they cause further damage or injure someone.

Sincerely,

Gerald Dahlke



