

NOTICE TO CITIZENS



It is with great sadness we inform our citizens that the grand oak in front of City Hall has been removed. The tree lost a large limb in the past few weeks that took out one of the HVAC units that served the Police Department. We brought in an arborist from Timberline Tree & Landscape Service, to

look at the tree on June 4. After studying the tree, the arborist recommended that we remove it to address the potential danger that it posed to the public along Main Street and to City Hall itself. The tree had significant rot in the trunk of the tree both above and below the point where all of the branches came off of the trunk, and in several limbs.



In an effort to save the tree, the City Manager agreed to have the arborist remove the dead and dying branches from the tree to relieve the burden of the weight from the tree trunk. Unfortunately, once the limbs were removed, it revealed the extent of the rot. The discovery was made that its limbs were dying and/or diseased. Mr. Altman made the unpleasant decision to remove the tree in an effort to protect the public and City Hall.

In order to preserve a part of our history, we plan to keep a couple of sections from the tree to display the inner rings of the trunk. Mr. Altman is planning to have a tree planting event in late September to replace the tree. Currently, the City's horticulturalist is looking at what type and size tree would be appropriate to plant in the space. We will keep the citizens informed of the City's plans.