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From: Kevin Belanger

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 7:25 AM

To: 'Julie Rorrer'

Cc: Christina Moon; Martin Roupe; Marie Parker

Subject: RE: Love Overboard tree

Attachments: RE: Survey Work; RE: [External] RE: Update on tree in front of Love Overboard Kennels in Carrboro

Julie,

I got the information from the Surveyor in the attached email. They were able to find the rear pins and a pk nail in the pavement at the southwest corner. They did set a new pk nail at the southeast corner where they could not locate one.

That information shows that the Tree is on your property, and not within the Town Right of Way.

As previously explained in my March 13th (attached) the tree is on your property and the Town can not enter your property to remove it.

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Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2024 10:58 AM To: 'Julie Rorrer' < luvdog 2222@gmail.com>

Cc: Christina Moon < CMoon@carrboronc.gov>; Martin Roupe < mroupe@carrboronc.gov>; Marie Parker < mparker@carrboronc.gov>

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From: Julie Rorrer < luvdog2222@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2024 10:34 AM

To: Kevin Belanger < kbelanger@carrboronc.gov>

Subject: Love Overboard tree

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Julie Rorrer

Kevin Belanger

From: Kevin Belanger

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 8:07 AM

To: 'Julie Rorrer'; dvdhunt24@frontier.com

Cc: Marie Parker

Subject: RE: [External] RE: Update on tree in front of Love Overboard Kennels in Carrboro **Attachments:** JulieRorrerDeed.pdf; 60 feet west.jpg; 260 feet from Sunset Dr Centerline.jpg

Julie,

It was nice to meet you yesterday. After we talked about the Tree and the Right of Way, I again used your deed to try to find the property pins referenced on the deed. (deed is attached).

I could not locate any pins at the property corners, but I did put paint marks on the very back edge of the sidewalk where the deed indicates they should be. (These marks are approximate, as they were measured with a wheel not survey equipment) the first mark is 260' west of the centerline of Sunset Dr as called out in the deed. The next mark is 60' west of that mark, the distance the deed indicates your frontage along West Rosemary is. While I could not locate the pins at the back corners of the lot, using the information you provided that the fence line is the property line, I measure from the fence towards the street 165 feet. This is the distance that the deed indicates the depth of the lot on each side. Those measurements put me within a few inches of the back of the sidewalk. Photo's attached, show the two paint marks.

This information is matching up with the GIS data and other information (location of water meters, fence lines along West Rosemary etc) that indicates that the ROW is at the back of the sidewalk.

Feel free to reach out with any questions you might have. Kevin

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From: Julie Rorrer < luvdog2222@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2024 9:24 PM

To: dvdhunt24@frontier.com

Cc: Kevin Belanger < kbelanger@carrboronc.gov>

Subject: Re: [External] RE: Update on tree in front of Love Overboard Kennels in Carrboro

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I've put this email on hold ... but now it's time to act ... no utilities company is going to do anything . Branches are falling on everyone and they pile them up by the tree . We've hauled off many of them . Theres a pedestrian crossing right under the tree .. and when someone gets hurt crossing the street in a place Carrboro invites people to come in.. it won't be MY responsibility...it's on Carrboro!

On Mar 13, 2024, at 12:33 PM, Julie Rorrer < luvdog2222@gmail.com> wrote:

Denied. Back to Duke Power I go!
Julie Rorrer

Begin forwarded message:

From: Kevin Belanger < kbelanger@carrboronc.gov >

Date: March 13, 2024 at 10:31:08 AM EDT

To: <u>luvdog2222@gmail.com</u>

Cc: Trish McGuire < PMcGuire@carrboronc.gov>, Marie Parker < mparker@carrboronc.gov>, Heather Holley

<<u>hholley@carrboronc.gov</u>>, Dillon Dispennette <<u>ddispennette@carrboronc.gov</u>>, Martin Roupe <<u>mroupe@carrboronc.gov</u>>, "Howell, Austyn W" <<u>awhowell1@ncdot.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: [External] RE: Update on tree in front of Love Overboard Kennels in Carrboro

Julie,

Like the NCDOT, the Town of Carrboro has investigated the Right of Way (ROW) and determined that it is just behind the sidewalk on W Rosemary, which puts the tree outside the Town ROW. Because the tree is outside the ROW the Town of Carrboro can not remove the tree, and concurring with the Austyn's statement below it would be your responsibility to have the tree removed.

Due to the utility lines passing through the tree I would recommend that your reach out to the utility companies. I believe you had reached out to Duke, I'm not sure that we have been updated on any response they gave you.

You may also want to reach out to your insurance company. With all the concerns raised about safety, if a tree branch were to fall and hit a pedestrian or car, you could potentially be liable for any damages, so a discussion with them may help or provide some potential solutions.

I am sure this is not the response you were hoping to hear, but due to the tree's location being outside the ROW we are unable remove it. Like the NCDOT, if limbs fall, we would be able to come clear them from the roadway and sidewalk, to keep the area clear.

I wish you the best of luck in getting the tree removed. I'm hopeful for you that due the utility lines you may get some assistance from the utility companies.

Sincerely,

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From: Howell, Austyn W < awhowell1@ncdot.gov >

Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 1:59 PM

To: Martin Roupe < mroupe@carrboronc.gov >; 'luvdog2222@gmail.com' < luvdog2222@gmail.com >

Cc: Trish McGuire < PMcGuire@carrboronc.gov>; Kevin Belanger < kbelanger@carrboronc.gov>; Marie Parker

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Marty,

Thanks for including NCDOT on this email. I have investigated this location and NCDOT's ROW ends about ½' from the edge of sidewalk. Though some of its branches do enter our ROW, as you can tell there are lines that run through some of those branches and a couple sets on both sides in addition. It is the responsibility of the parcel owner to have the tree removed. The department does not engage in any tree removal or clearing when there are utility lines of any sort in the way. Even in emergency situations (storms, wrecks, etc.) we contact the power company and/or phone company and have them remove their lines before we engage in our operations. I see from the previous emails that Julie has been in contact with Duke power. That would be my suggestion as well. NCDOT can come clear fallen limbs and branches that fall into the ROW, but as far as removal, we are not at liberty to conduct operations outside of our ROW. If there is anything else you may need or have any questions about, feel free to reach out anytime.

Thanks,

Austyn Howell

County Maintenance Engineer
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From: Martin Roupe < mroupe@carrboronc.gov >

Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 10:48 AM

To: Howell, Austyn W awhowell1@ncdot.gov; 'luvdog2222@gmail.com' <<u>luvdog2222@gmail.com</u>>

Cc: Trish McGuire <PMcGuire@carrboronc.gov>; Kevin Belanger <kbelanger@carrboronc.gov>; Marie Parker

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Hey Austyn,

Just following up on the matter below, with other staff copied as well. Doing so with urgency, because a limb apparently fell onto a pedestrian recently. Julie, the Love Overboard property owner, will be contacting you separately as well.

Julie,

Per our phone call, here are the people you may contact for follow up about this:

NCDOT, Austyn Howell, 919-296-6080

Public Works,

Kevin Ballenger, Director, 919-918-7472

Dillon Dispente, Streets and Grounds Supervisor, 919-918-7434

Thank you,

Marty

From: Martin Roupe

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 6:15 PM

To: 'Howell, Austyn W' awhowell1@ncdot.gov">" (luvdog2222@gmail.com"> (luvdog2222@gmail.com"> (luvdog2222@gmail.com)

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This is Marty Roupe from the Carrboro Planning Department following up on an email exchange from November 2023 about a dead tree at 710 West Rosemary Street, where Main and Rosemary Streets come together. In response to your previous message, please know that the town does not object to the tree being removed, there seems to be clear consensus from all involved that the tree is very much dead and beyond being brought back.

The update regarding whether you would or should be involved is that I now know from a phone call with the property owner, Julie Rorrer (copied here as luvdog2222@gmail.com), that she has been in contact with Duke Power over the course of the last few to several months about having them remove the tree because of proximity to and potential damage to nearby power lines. She noted that someone from Duke Power is supposed to visit the site and report back to her on when / if they will be removing the tree.

I have copied town staff from Planning, Public Works, and the Manager's Office so we're all aware of what is going on with the tree.

Julie,

Per our discussion, please keep us informed about your discussion with Duke Power about this matter.

Austyn,

Please feel free to reach out to Julie separately if you have any questions or need to discuss whether NCDOT needs to be involved instead of or alongside Duke Power.

Thanks all, Marty

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