# Town of Yucca Valley PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

**To:** Honorable Chair and Planning Commissioners

From: Evan Willoughby, Planning Technician

Jared Jerome, Associate Planner

Date: March 3, 2022 Meeting Date: March 8, 2022

**Subject:** Western Joshua Tree (WJT) 025-22, 6318 Berkley Avenue, Yucca Valley CA.

APN: 0601-021-23; Remove One (1) Dead Detached Western Joshua Tree

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Planning Commission approve the application for WJT 025-22, remove one (1) dead detached Western Joshua Tree, based upon Ordinance 291 Section 9.56.130 that a project proponent may remove a detached dead Western Joshua Tree or detached limb.

#### **Prior Review**

There has been no prior review of this matter.

#### **Executive Summary**

Native plant permit applications are acted upon by the Planning Commission for review and action at this time.

#### **Order of Procedure**

Request Staff Report
Request Public Comment
Council Discussion/Questions of Staff
Motion/Second
Discussion on Motion
Call the Question

#### Discussion

Applicant: Manfred Strombeck Address: 6318 Berkley Avenue

APN: 0601-021-23

Zoning: Residential, Single-Family (R-S-3.5)

Parcel Size: 3.00 acres

An application has been filed for the removal of one (1) dead detached Western Joshua Tree. In the consulting desert native plant specialist's opinion, the Western Joshua Tree has fallen over and is fully detached from the root system.

Section 9.56.070 of Ordinance 291 requires photos, descriptions of the trees, and a letter from the applicant's arborist; which are attached to this report.

#### Section 9.56.130 states:

The Planning Commission may issue a permit to authorize either the removal of a dead western Joshua tree or the trimming of a western Joshua tree. The proponent or its agent may remove a detached dead western Joshua tree or detached limb of a western Joshua tree. All other removals and all trimmings of western Joshua trees authorized by permits issued pursuant to this subsection may be completed by a desert native plant specialist. Planning Commission may issue a permit in accordance with this section without payment of mitigation fees, provided that the dead western Joshua tree or the limb(s) to be removed:

- (1) Has fallen over and is within 30 feet of a structure; or
- (2) Is leaning against an existing structure; or
- (3) Creates an imminent threat to public health or safety.

#### **Alternatives**

Staff recommend no alternative actions. The application is consistent with the Town's adopted standards.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

NA

#### **Attachments:**

WJT 025-22 Manfred Stromback ORD 291 Joshua Trees 9.60 Permit Procedures



## Western Joshua Tree **Application**

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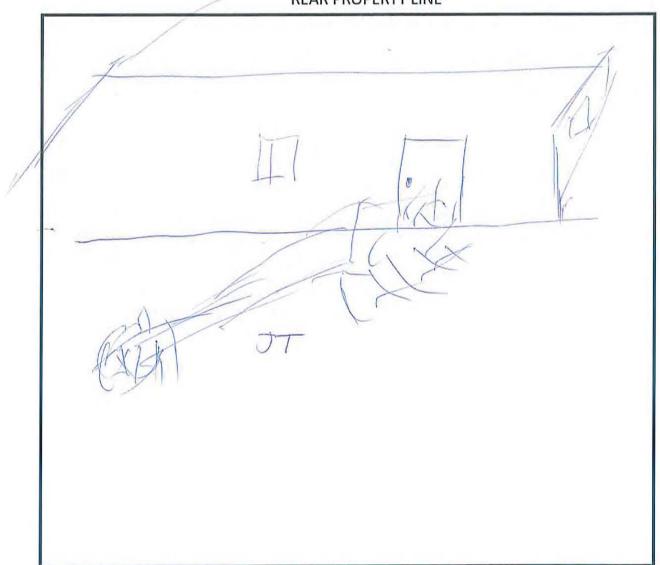
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### **PLOT PLAN**

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PROJECT ADDRESS	3318-BERKLEY AVE
ASSESSOR PARCEL NO.	0601-021-23

IF YOUR LOT IS NOT RECTANGULAR, PLEASE DRAW CORRECT DIMENSIONS AND SHAPE

### **REAR PROPERTY LINE**



FRONT PROPERTY LINE STREET



# REMOVE A DEAD WESTERN JOSHUA TREE OR TRIM A WESTERN JOSHUA TREE PERMIT APPLICATION

Permit Application to Remove a Dead Western Joshua Tree or Trim a Western Joshua Tree under California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Section 749.11

For removal of a dead western Joshua tree complete Sections 1 and 2. For trimming of a living or dead western Joshua tree complete Sections 1 and 3.

#### Section 1:

#### **Project Information:**

Property owner's name\*:
Manfred Strombeck
Property owner's telephone number\*:
714-599-2303
Property owner's mailing address\*:

6318 Berkley Ave, Yucca Valley, CA 92284

Property owner's email address\*:

Location of the western Joshua tree to be removed or trimmed\*:

County\*: San Bernardino

Street address\*: 6318 Berkley Ave, Yucca Valley, CA 92284

-OR-

Assessor's Parcel Number\*:

\*REQUIRED

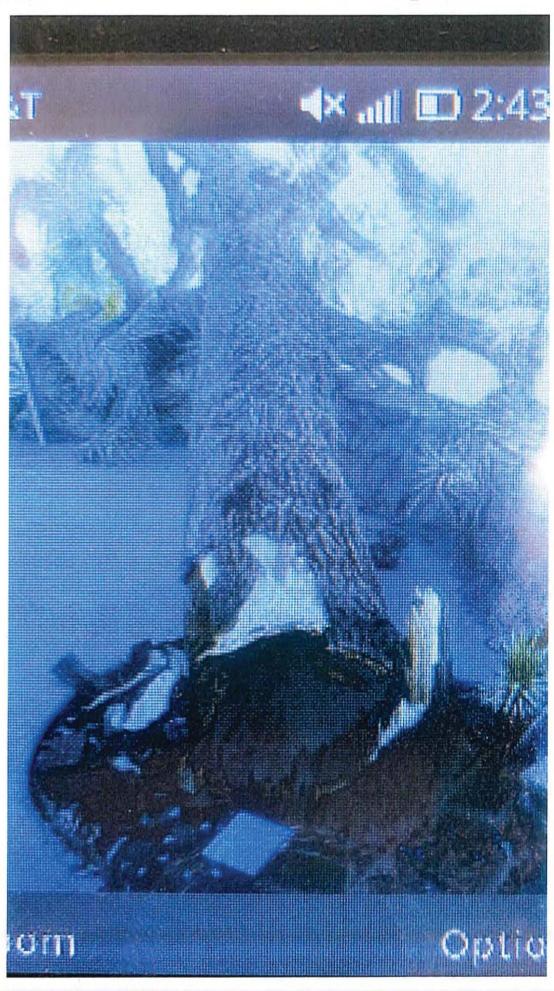
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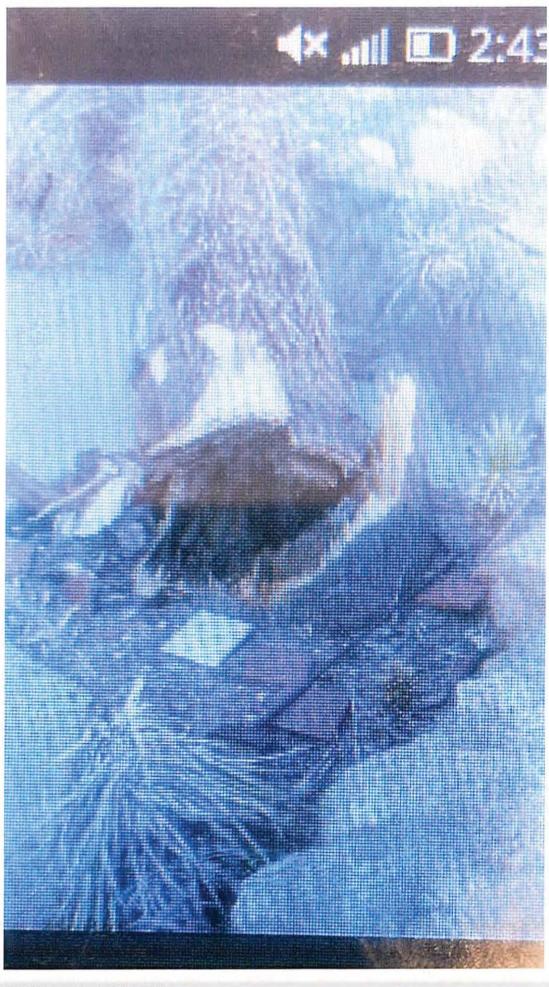
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For removal of a dead western Joshua tree, enclose photographs that visually depict the following for each dead western Joshua tree to be removed:

Photographs must show that the western Joshua Tree is dead, and at least one of the following (check all that apply):

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The dead western Joshua t	ree creates an imminent threat to public health and safety: $\Box$
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from the root system:	☑
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For trimming of a living or dead w following for each western Joshu	estern Joshua tree, enclose photographs that visually depict the a tree to be trimmed:
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Submit this permit application to	Planning by either:
Emailing a signed copy to: <u>jyochm</u>	owitz@yucca-valley.org
-OR-	
Mailing a signed copy to:	Angela Johnson WE-10022A
The Town of Yucca Valley	February 16, 2022
Community Development 58928 Business Center Drive	Angela Johnson







Town of Yucca Valley Community Development/Public Works Depts 58928 Business Center Dr Yucca Valley CA 92284 Receipt # 29600

Date 2/02/2022

Rcvd By Mary

Received From Strombeck, Manfred or Carole 6318 Berkley Yucca Valley, CA 92284

(714) 599-2303

Customer Number	Name	Payment Type	Check/Auth #	Amount Received
10821	Strombeck, Manfred or Carole	Visa/MC	02331A	20.00

Description: WJT 025-22: 6318 Berkley

Findings of Exemption Fees 20.00

