

October 31, 2025

Subject: Add an item to the November 19, 2025, Tree Commission Meeting Agenda

Bexley Tree Commission,

My name is Eric Elizondo; I live at 195 South Roosevelt Avenue. I would like you to review the condition of the large Ash tree in the right of way south of my home. The tree is adjacent to Powell Avenue.

Grant Archer and I have been communicating via email. My concerns are the tree's instability and the large limbs that are over my home. (I have included the emails between Grant and I.)

There are also large dead limbs hanging in the canopy of the tree. Can I hire a service remove limbs that are dead and will eventually fall? If not, will the City of Bexley remove them? Many large limbs have fallen from this tree causing damage to my home and landscaping. This is an on-going maintenance issue.

My concerns include: the tree's limbs could harm someone walking under the tree, the damage to the exterior of my home, my liability for damages and Bexley preventing me from proactively managing the tree.

My solutions include: the City of Bexley or I can remove dead limbs from the tree as needed and the City of Bexley trim a few large limbs that are over the roof of my home.

Grant recommended that the tree may need to be cut down completely. This seems extreme. I hope we can manage the tree better and the tree can remain.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am looking forward to working with your commission on this issue.

Sincerely,



Eric Elizondo

Emails:

On Oct 24, 2025, at 8:50AM, Eric Elizondo <elizondo08@me.com> wrote:

Grant

Could you please come out next week and take a look at the large tree at the corner of Grant and South Roosevelt? I'm at 195 South Roosevelt. It's an all stone house. I'm concerned about several limbs that are encroaching over my home from this tree and just the general health of the tree. The tree is on the easement between the sidewalk and the street, thank you.

Peace

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Thank you for the email. We pruned this tree a few years ago. It looks healthy and we cannot prune anymore out of the top.

Thank you

Grant Archer
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On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 1:45PM Eric Elizondo <elizondo08@me.com> wrote:

Grant

Thanks for your response. If any part of this tree falls on my house and creates damage, is the City have any financial responsibility?

Peace
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Eric,

The City of Bexley does not assume any financial responsibility for damages that may occur to private property from trees located on the Right of Way.

Grant

Thank you

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On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 2:49PM Eric Elizondo <eeelizondo08@me.com> wrote:
Grant

If the city does not, then I can trim this tree myself? I am concerned about a few large limbs that are on the north side of this tree. I have also had large dead branches damage my landscape and home. Not a good situation.

Peace

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On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 3:07PM

Eric,

Regarding your question about trimming the tree yourself, unfortunately, that is not allowed. We heavily pruned the tree the last time, and removing more from the canopy would cause health issues moving forward, which we want to avoid.

Grant

Thank you

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On Mon, Oct 27, 2025 at 3:12PM

Eric,

I understand your concerns about the tree. You do have the option to request its removal by presenting your concerns to the Tree Commission. They convene on the third Wednesday of each month.

Grant

Thank you

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