TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2025-230

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

PERMITTING THE REMOVAL OF AN EXTRAORDINARY TREE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 493, ARTICLE II, PARAGRAPH 21(C) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the property owner at 64 Newman Avenue, Block 1008, Lot 9, has requested a permit to remove a Red Oak tree located on their property; and

WHEREAS, the tree has a diameter exceeding forty-four (44) inches, said tree is defined as extraordinary trees in Chapter 493, Article II of the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Forester has reported that the backside of the tree is completely decayed; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 493, Article II, paragraph 21(C) of the Township Code states that removal of extraordinary trees shall be prohibited except upon the specific written recommendation of the Zoning Official after consultation of the Township Forester and approval by resolution of the Township Council; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Official is in agreement with the Township Forester's recommendation as stated in the attached memorandum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Verona that the property owner is permitted to remove the extraordinary tree.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall serve as the written authorization pursuant to Chapter 493, Article II, Paragraph 21(C).

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 2025.

JENNIFER KIERNAN, RMC, CMC

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COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY

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MEMORANDUM

September 26, 2025

TO:

Jennifer Kiernan, Township Clerk

FROM:

Kathleen Miesch, Zoning Official

RE:

Extraordinary Tree Removal – 64 Newman Avenue, Block 1008, Lot 9

Please accept this as a request for the Township Council to approve the removal of an extraordinary tree on the property known as **64 Newman Avenue**, **Block 1008**, **Lot 9**. The extraordinary tree is a **44 inch in diameter Red Oak tree**. Attached please find the letter from the Township Forester, Greg Dujets, Dujets Tree Experts dated September 12, 2025. While the tree is alive, structurally the tree is severely compromised. The backside is completely decayed posing a hazard to both the street and neighbors. The recommendation is for removal.

Per § 493-18 An extraordinary tree is defined as any tree with a DPM of 36 inches or greater or any tree designated by the Township Council as an historic or landmark tree and such other trees or species of tree as the Council may, from time to time, designate as an extraordinary tree.

Per § 493-21 C. Extraordinary trees shall be maintained in a living condition, and it shall be unlawful for any person to harm or remove said tree without an approved tree removal permit. All reasonable efforts shall be made to preserve extraordinary trees, including, but not limited to, if feasible, relocation of infrastructure, roadways, and buildings. Removal of extraordinary trees shall be prohibited except upon the specific written recommendation of the Zoning Official after consultation of the Township Forester and approval by resolution of the Township Council.

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September 12, 2025

64 Newman Ave:

Species: Red Oak

Diameter: 44" DBH

Condition: The Red oak is alive, but structurally the tree is severely compromised. The backside is completely decayed. The tree poses a hazard to the street and neighbors. I recommend removal.

Thanks

Greg Dujets NJ LTE #559