

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION No. 2025-289

A motion was made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy 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 2 Mountain Road, Block 2209, Lot 16, had requested a permit to remove an Oak tree located on their property; and

WHEREAS, the tree has a diameter exceeding forty-two (42) 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 he recommended the tree be removed immediately for extreme safety concerns as the stalk of the tree was largely decayed up the stalk as well as leaning towards the home, causing an extremely hazardous condition; 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 due to the forester's concern, immediate removal of the tree was warranted.

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: Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS: Holland, McGrath

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 DECEMBER 15, 2025.


JENNIFER KIERNAN, RMC, CMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK



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MEMORANDUM

December 8, 2025

TO: Jennifer Kiernan, Township Clerk

FROM: Kathleen Miesch, Zoning Official 

RE: Extraordinary Tree Removal – 2 Mountain Road, Block 2209, Lot 16

Please accept this as a request for the Township Council to approve the removal of an extraordinary tree on the property known as **2 Mountain Road, Block 2209, Lot 16**. The extraordinary tree is a 42 inch in diameter Oak tree. Attached please find the letter from the Township Forester, Greg Dujets, Dujets Tree Experts dated December 4, 2025 confirming the condition of the tree as follows: 10 feet to 15 feet of visible decay on the stalk and the crown is 50% dead. The Oak is hazardous to the neighbor's and property owner's house and removal is recommended.

Tree removal is recommended. I concur with Mr. Dujets recommendation.

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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December 4, 2025

2 Mountain Rd

The 42" DBH oak tree, located on the left side of the backyard, close to the house has 10' – 15' of visible decay up the stalk. The crown of the tree is 50% dead. The tree is a hazard to the neighbors and owner's house. Removal of the tree is recommended.

Thanks

Greg Dujets
LTE #559