

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

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-136**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath 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 49 Afterglow Way, Block 401, Lot 15, has requested a permit to remove a Red Oak tree located on their property; and

**WHEREAS**, the tree has a diameter of fifty-three inches (53") and is defined as an extraordinary tree in Chapter 493, Article II of the Township Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Forester has reported that the tree is located in the front yard is dead and therefore mitigation will be required; 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 recommendations 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 53" Red Oak tree is warranted pursuant to Chapter 493 of the Township Code.

**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 JUNE 8, 2026.**

  
**JENNIFER KIERNAN, RMC, CMC  
MUNICIPAL CLERK**



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**MEMORANDUM**

**May 26, 2026**

**TO: Jennifer Kiernan, Township Clerk**

**FROM: Kathleen Miesch, Zoning Official** 

**RE: Extraordinary Tree Removal – 49 Afterglow Way; Block 401, Lot 15**

Please accept this as a request for the Township Council to approve the removal of an extraordinary tree on the property known as **49 Afterglow Way; Block 401, Lot 15**. The extraordinary tree is a **53" DBH Red Oak** tree. Attached please find the letter from the Township Forester, Greg Dujets, Dujets Tree Experts dated May 22, 2026. The tree is located in the front yard, close to the sidewalk and is determined to be dead. The tree is a hazard and should be removed.

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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May 22, 2026

**49 Afterglow Way:**

The 53" DBH Red oak tree in the front yard, close to the sidewalk is dead. The tree is a hazard and should be removed.

Thanks

Greg Dujets  
NJ LTE #559