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Attachment 3

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Bluffton Township

Hello,

My name is David Tedford, I am a South Carolina state certified arborist and tree risk assessment qualified SO 5620A, serving Beaufort County since 1984.

Mr. Bryant has asked me to inspect 2 trees on said property, one Turkey Oak 22" D.B.H. and one Live Oak 40" D.B.H.

In accordance with the International Society of Arboriculture, I have performed a level one tree risk assessment on the 22" D.B.H. Turkey Oak. It is my opinion the vast majority of the crown is dead, with sporadic growth on the tree trunk. As this tree leans over the house, the consequences of failure would be severe. Therefore I recommend this removal as well as replanting green space lost.

Mr. Bryant has also asked me to inspect and recommend my opinion on preserving the 40" D.B.H. Live Oak during and after construction. It is my opinion this Live Oak should be fertilized as well as crown pruning and dead wooding. Mr. Bryant is allowing a 7' distance from trunk of tree to be fenced off around tree. I.S.A. recommends one foot of diameter from the trunk for each inch of trunk diameter, as to mitigate this, the house and porch will be built on piers so as not to disturb the majority of the area under canopy and eliminate the need for fill and compaction associated with a torn down slab.

Thank you,

David Tedford