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RE: Tree risk assessment of 26.5" Southern magnolia

In May of 2025, you contacted us with a concern about potential risk posed by a 26.5" Southern magnolia at 1233 Sheridan Ct. You retained us to perform a tree risk assessment on the subject tree to provide you with recommendations on tree risk, tree risk mitigation, and residual risk following mitigation.

We assessed the tree on May 9, 2025. We performed an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 Basic (Level 2) Tree Risk Assessment. This included a 360-degree ground-based visual observation of the tree and above ground tree parts. We measured the tree with a diameter tape at a height of 4.5 feet above ground and utilized a mallet and probe to sound or probe for decay.

. The potential targets include: the house, cars in the driveway, and people. The risk assessment was performed with the naked eye from ground level. This assessment is only for the tree specified and only for the level of assessment specified.

The tree risk assessment formula is: Probability x Consequences = Risk. That is, the probability of a tree or tree part failing and striking a potential target, and the consequences of that occurrence equals the risk rating. The risk assessment matrix is shown below.

	Consequences			
Probability	<i>Negligible</i>	<i>Minor</i>	<i>Significant</i>	<i>Severe</i>
<i>Very likely</i>	Low	Moderate	High	Extreme
<i>Likely</i>	Low	Moderate	High	High
<i>Somewhat likely</i>	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate
<i>Unlikely</i>	Low	Low	Low	Low

The probability of your tree striking a target is: Likely. The consequences of a tree or part striking the noted target would be: significant to severe. The tree risk rating is consequently considered to be: High. The timeframe for this risk assessment is within 1 year of the date of the assessment and is valid under normal (non-extreme) weather conditions.

Tree risk may be reduced by treating or removing the tree or the targets. Our recommendation for risk mitigation in this situation is complete removal of the tree as moving the targets is not an option.

Trees can be managed but they cannot be controlled. Not all risk associated with standing trees can be eliminated. Even intact trees can be expected to fail all or in part under extreme weather conditions.

The tree owner is responsible for selecting and implementing mitigation, scheduling of repeat assessments, and scheduling future monitoring and maintenance.

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Figure 1 - Location of tree to house.



Figure 2 - Included bark a junction.

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