

From: [Liz & Jim Sedore](#)
To: [Alyssa Jones Wood](#)
Cc: [Trent Grantham - Tumwater Tree Board Chairperson](#)
Subject: Re: 420 D Street SW - Walnut Heritage Tree Nomination update
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 4:01:45 PM

ALYSSA,
Here's an update on the 420 D Street Walnut nomination:

A. Karen Johnson, Curator of the Olympia/Tumwater Foundation, has assisted, including:

- She visited the site and had difficulty finding the tree. I clarified the location of the tree and confirmed that it was a walnut tree.
- Concerning the property, Karen found:
- **1. the property at 420 was originally part of Nelson Barnes' donation land claim. Barnes was Tumwater's first mayor (1869-1870).**
- I have asked Karen to check the records to see if there is anything about Barnes planting trees.

B. On Nov 29 I talked with the owner, Christine Pickernell. I asked her where she got the old photo ("taken in early 1900's"). She got the photo from a friend of her son who was interested in the history of the property. She does not know how to contact her son's friend. I have asked her to contact the City if/when she gets more information about the source of the photo.

I sent a copy of the photo to Karen Johnson (Olympia/Tumwater Foundation) and asked if she could find the source of the photo.

I believe we need to determine the age of the tree to see who planted it. I have asked Alyssa to talk with the consulting arborist about how to determine the age of trees.

I will update you when I have more information.
Thank you, Jim

On Tue, Nov 29, 2022 at 10:22 AM Alyssa Jones Wood <AJonesWood@ci.tumwater.wa.us> wrote:

Good morning Jim,

For the December Tree Board meeting will you have any additional information you'd like me to include in the packet related to the two Heritage Tree nominations you've been doing more research on? If so, would you be able to get that information to me by end of day Monday December 5th so I can get them incorporated into the packet in time for the December 7th publishing and distribution of the packet? Please let me know if you need anything.

Thank you!

Alyssa Jones Wood, LEED Green Associate & NWF Habitat Steward| (she/her/hers)

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There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal. Nations, cultures, arts, civilisations—these are mortal, and their life is to ours as the life of a gnat. But it is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub, and exploit—immortal horrors or everlasting splendours. - C.S. Lewis - "The Weight of Glory"