

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS 23-43

June 15, 2023

MOTION TO DENY

I move to deny the application for **Certificate of Appropriateness 23-43** for the request to remove four specimen trees from the perimeter of the John Barton Payne Building and the adjacent FNB Wealth Building at **2 Court House Square** for the following reasons:

- 1) The applicant did not provide sufficient information that confirms the on-going maintenance issues at the foundations and rooflines of the two buildings is directly caused by the specimen trees.
- 2) Information is required to confirm the maintenance issues observed (minor wood deterioration at various spots along the cornices, fascia, soffits, and frieze boards and some visible cracks in the concrete and brick ramps due to settling) during an on-site visit by Staff, the Architectural Review Board, and the Tree Board is directly related to the presence of the four specimen trees and not simply a result of cyclical building maintenance.
- 3) The four specimen trees shall be retained and properly maintained, including regular trimming, to ensure that no damage does occur to any adjacent buildings or utility lines.

Motion to Approve By:

Seconded By:

For:

Against:

Abstained: