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## Letter Requesting Hearing Regarding Removal of Town Tree's

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

RE: Lots 5 and 6, Block 22  
[717 N Henson St]  
Parcel ID: 450927322002

Hand Delivered To: Lex Mulhall, Town Manager  
Board of Trustees for the Town of Lake City  
Town Tree Board  
Town of Lake City  
230 North Bluff Street  
Lake city, county of Hinsdale  
state of Colorado

Dear Lex and Board of Trustees for the Town of Lake City, I am writing this letter on behalf of myself and my wife Karlee-Rae as the owners of Lots 5 and 6, Block 22 at 717 North Henson Street. We are in the planning stages of developing our lots and are hereby requesting a hearing regarding the removal of town owned trees that border the east side of our property adjacent to North Henson Street and will require removal prior to any further improvements.

## Reasons for Request

1. **Public and private safety** – The trees are very close together, irregular, relatively thin, unmaintained, and will pose a hazard to any nearby structures, pedestrians, and vehicles.
2. **Nuisance** – Their condition creates dangerous branch debris, inhibits primary access to the lots from North Henson Street, and interferes with the aesthetic and functional use of the surrounding area and property.
3. **Infrastructure needs** – We plan to continue further improving the property in the near future by building a home. The Town sewer lines that will need to be tapped are located on North Henson Street and will require the removal of trees for access thereto.

Given these circumstances, we respectfully request that the Town of Lake City schedule and convene a hearing to consider, discuss, and negotiate the removal of these Town owned trees.

Furthermore, it is common knowledge that for at least two decades, Jeff, the owner of Lake City Auto and Sports Center (JKM Enterprises INC), has used the entire north end block of North Henson Street as an overflow parking storage for his excess of trailers, thereby effectively blocking the main right-of-way and parking area to our lots. Since we acquired ownership of our lots early in the year of 2025, the parking, access, and right-of-way to our lots has been obstructed by seven or more of Jeff's trailers. I have respectfully requested, to no avail, that Jeff move his trailers that are adjacent to our lots, yet, to date, he has not made any efforts to do so. Given that no maintenance or removal of the trees could commence without the prior removal of Jeff's trailers, I hereby also request a simultaneous hearing on this matter, requesting that an order issue from the town commanding Jeff to remove his trailers.

Thank you for your consideration and attention hereto. We look forward to discussing these matters at the scheduled hearing.

Respectfully,

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John-Thomas: and Karlee-Rae: Stratton  
People of Colorado