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Planning and Development Department

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TREE AND PALM REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

[TREE REMOVAL ON EXISTING SITES – NO SITE DEVELOPMENT]

For requests to remove protected, specimen or historic trees or palms on existing residential and nonresidential sites pursuant to Sec. 72.25(a).

DATE _____ APPLICATION # _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____

PROPERTY OWNER _____

APPLICANT _____

APPLICANT PHONE# _____ EMAIL: _____

PROTECTED TREES AND PALMS TO BE REMOVED:

Table with 4 columns: SPECIE/DIAMETER, CONDITION / REASON, LOCATION, MITIGATION. Includes horizontal lines for data entry.

SPECIMEN TREES TO BE REMOVED [See Sec. 72.05 for Specimen Tree Classifications]:

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HISTORIC TREES TO BE REMOVED [See Sec. 72.06 for Historic Tree Classifications]:

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Mitigation requirements: Single-family or duplex residential do not require mitigation for removal of protected or specimen trees or palms (See Sec. 72.27). Multi-family residential and non-residential development shall mitigate for removal of protected or specimen trees or palms. Any removal of historic trees shall be mitigated and approved by Planning & Zoning Board.

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MITIGATION:

PROTECTED TREES OR PALMS: dbh _____ (x1) = REPLACEMENT dbh _____
SPECIMEN TREES IN REQUIRED YARD dbh _____ (x2) _____ + IN BUILDING AREA (x1) _____ = REPLACEMENT dbh _____
HISTORIC TREES dbh _____ (x4) = REPLACEMENT dbh _____
TOTAL REPLACEMENT dbh _____
MITIGATION FEES: TOTAL dbh _____ x per inch fee _____ = TOTAL FEE _____

This permit application shall be submitted to the Planning and Development Department together with all required supporting materials and a nonrefundable application fee.

The application shall include the following attached information:

1. Written determination and report of a Certified Arborist for any tree or palm to be removed because it is dead, beyond recovery, or at the end of its lifecycle, whenever such determination and report are deemed necessary by the Planning Director because the condition of the tree or palm or the cause of such condition cannot be readily determined without the professional services of a certified arborist. The professional services of a certified arborist and all supporting materials, inspections, and reports shall be provided by the applicant at the applicant's expense.

The Planning Director may waive or modify any of the above permit application requirements that are deemed unnecessary due to the nature and scope of the proposed tree or removal.

No protected tree or palm shall be removed unless it meets at least one or more of the following seven criteria for tree removal, pursuant to Sec. 72.25(a)(5):

- a. The tree or palm is in a hazardous or unsafe condition.
- b. The location or condition of the tree or palm creates a danger of causing disruption to public utilities or services.
- c. The tree or palm is dead or beyond recovery due to disease, infection, infestation, damage, or other condition from natural causes.
- d. The age of the palm or tree is at 80 percent or more of the average lifecycle for its species as supported by the written findings of a certified arborist.
- e. The tree or palm is within a power line right-of-way or easement and cannot be properly pruned.
- f. The tree or palm, including but not limited to its root system, is causing damage to a structure or site improvements used for vehicular traffic or utilities.
- g. The tree or palm is proposed to be removed through a revised landscape plan pursuant to Chapter 72, Article II, Landscaping or due to a change to the existing development pursuant to a Code Compliance Certification, pursuant to Section 64.05.

Please consult the City of Vero Beach Tree and Palm Protection Ordinance (Chapter 72, Article III of Vero Beach Code) for tree removal requirement details.

I have read the Landscaping and Tree Protection Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, and hereby request a permit to remove the tree(s) on the property as described above.

Property Owner Signature Date

Applicant Signature Date

Please print name

Please print name

Application fee: \$20.00 per tree or palm to be removed

Application Fee: _____