

Arborist Report  
1318 Fountain Street

Date: December 18, 2025

Prepared by: Erin Smith, Public Works Director  
950 West Mall Square, Room 110  
Alameda, CA 94501

Subject: 1318 Fountain Street

Species: Liquidambar styraciflua – American Sweetgum

Recommendation: Removal – This tree was recommended for removal per the City's [Tree removal policy](#). Section D-All Other Tree Removals. Any resident or property owner can protest this determination in writing: December 18, 2025 – January 8, 2026. Protest procedures are in Section E of the City's [Tree Removal Policy](#).

Summary:

This tree at 1318 Fountain St. is causing a public infrastructure and ADA conflict. Removal of the tree will restore the adjacent sidewalk to meet ADA requirements and curb & gutter to meet City standards. A certified arborist has assessed the tree and recommends removal. Modifying the adjacent sidewalk and hardscape will damage the tree beyond recovery as the associated root cutting and shaving would be detrimental to the tree. There is no practical or reasonable option to mitigate the ADA conflict.

Photo:



Arborist Determination: Tree removal due to ADA conflict.

Signed by:

*Leonardo Tuchman*

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Leo Tuchman, Certified Arborist