

Dying Sycamore on Broad Street to come down tomorrow

What remains of a nearly 100 year of sycamore tree in front of 180 SW Broad Street will be removed tomorrow, June 7.

The tree, a what Town Arborist Jeff Grey used to call a "grand old tree" suffered over the past few years by bacterial leaf scorch which has taken a number of sycamores in the area. The tree's damaged wood was removed a few years ago in hopes of saving the tree. This effort failed and what is left of the tree now poses a threat as it continues to die.

"Anytime we lose a tree as historic and significant as this old sycamore it is like losing an old friend," says Grey. "Growing up here I enjoyed the shade from this tree many times. We did our best to help it survive, but it must be removed."

Any questions regarding the project may be directed to the Town's Parks and Grounds Division at 910-692-1983.

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