# Appendix A Las Vegas, NM Urban Forest Project

# **Candidate Trees for Removal**

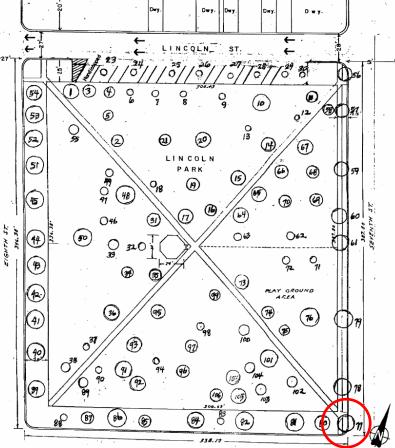
Candidate Tree Removals by Park

Lincoln	4
Plaza	6
Carnegie	9
South Pacific	1
Keyes	0

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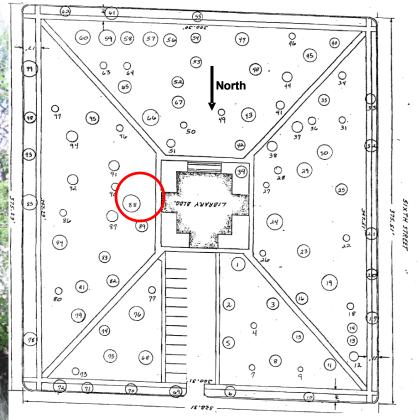




Removal Tree # 1 Lincoln Park - #77 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~30' tall.
- •Extreme injury and die back.
- Street tree.



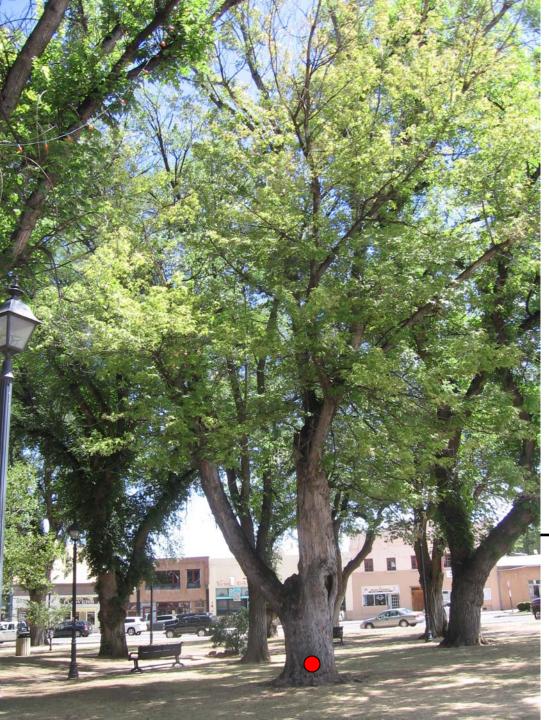


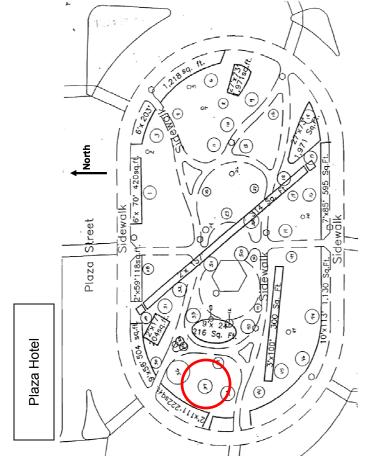
# Removal Tree # 2 Carnegie Park - #88 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~35' tall.

 $\bullet \sim 95\%$  deadwood, remainder is epicormic shoots.

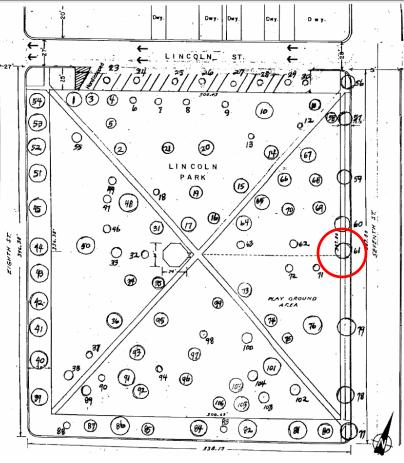




Removal Tree # 3 Plaza Park - #37 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

- Maple, 50-55' tall.
- Extensive decay in stem and all major limbs
- .Extremely poor canopy color indicating lack of vigor.

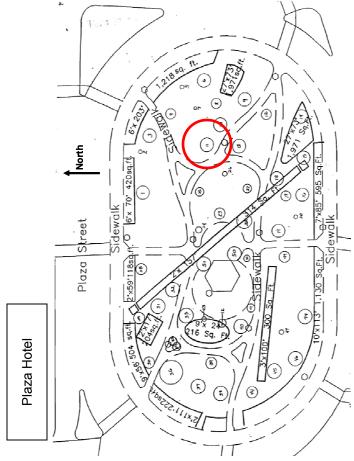




# Removal Tree # 4 Lincoln Park - #61 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~30' tall.
- •Street tree.
- •Storm damage and/or topped.
- •Decay in main stem at ~10'.

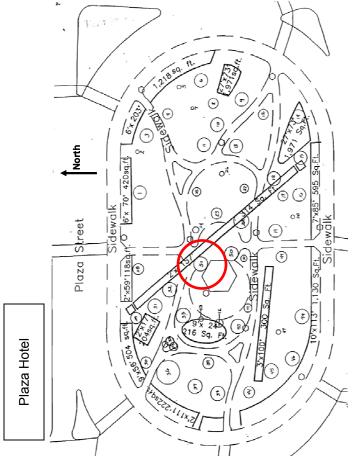




Removal Tree # 5 Plaza Park - #11 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~30' tall.
- •Extensive decay and decline.
- •Heavy limbs unsupported by corresponding tree vigor.





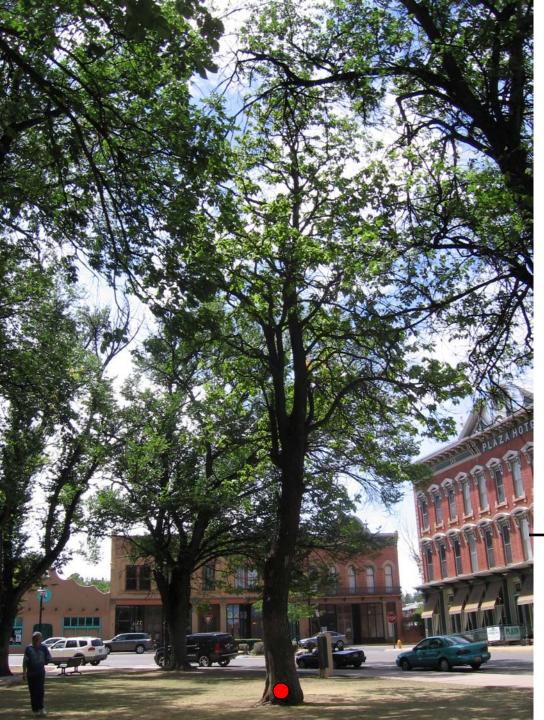
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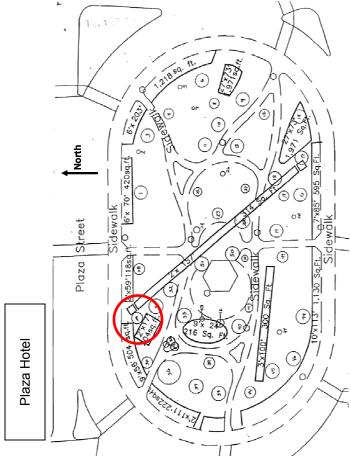
### <u>Comments</u>:

•Elm, ~ 40"tall.

•Extensive wound, extending 10' up stem.

•Major limb girdled with wire.





Removal Tree # 7 Plaza Park - #29 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

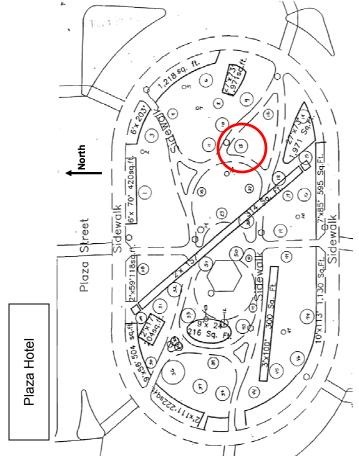
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 40 – 45' tall.

•Significant wound with associated decay in stem (as indicated by lean and by core sample taken).

•Significant lack of vigor.





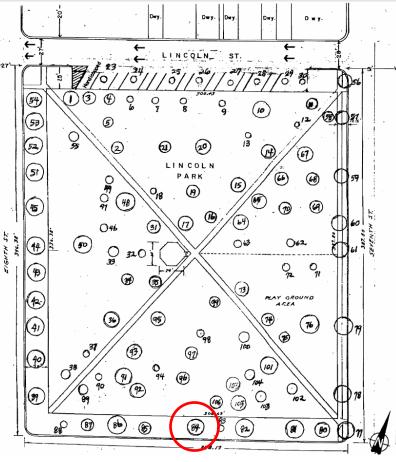
Removal Tree # 8 Plaza Park - #13 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 25 tall'.

•Mostly dead with epicormic shoots as main source of green.





Removal Tree # 9 Lincoln Park - #84 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

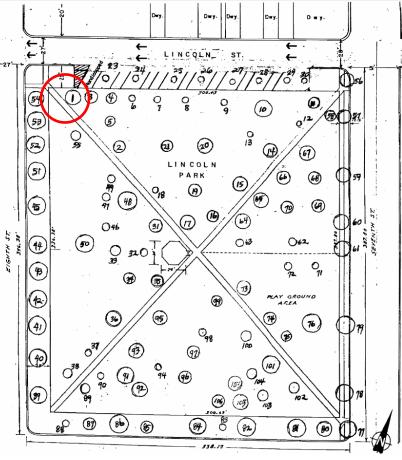
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 25' tall.

•Poor structure – insufficient trunk, all major limbs coming out of the same area, one of which is injured/dying.

•Insufficient canopy indicating lack of vigor.



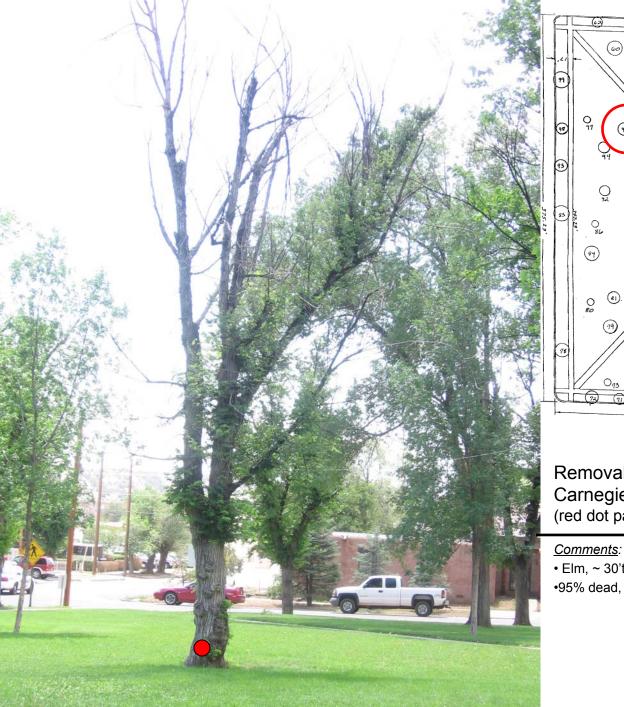


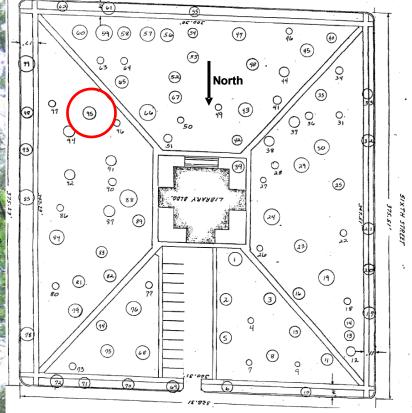
Removal Tree # 10 Lincoln Park - #1 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

• Elm, ~ 30' tall.

- •Too much deadwood and too few laterals to sustain its size.
- •Target-rich area (car park, street, pedestrian walkway).





# Removal Tree # 11 Carnegie Park - #95 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

• Elm, ~ 30'tall.

•95% dead, galls, epicormic shoots, and trunk anomaly at grade.



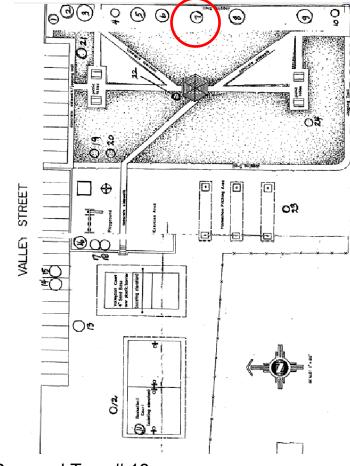
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# Removal Tree # 12 Carnegie Park - #66a on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

- Elm, ~ 35'.tall
- •Significant deadwood, stem encircled by galls at ~ 5'.
- •Permanent bench as target.

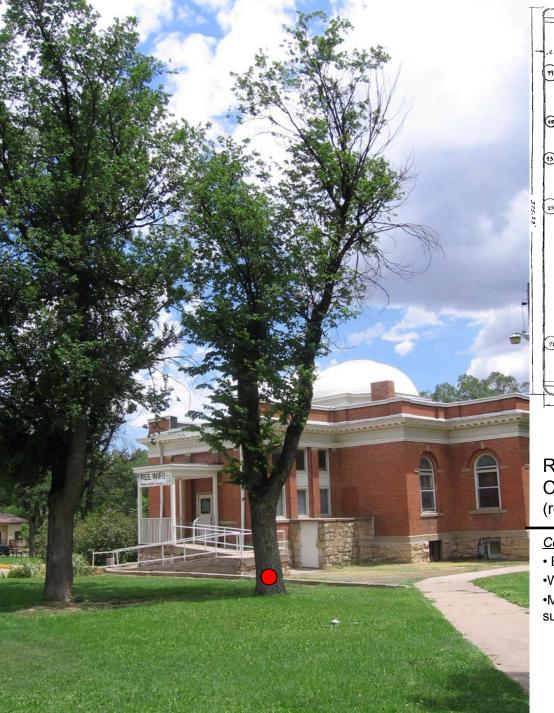


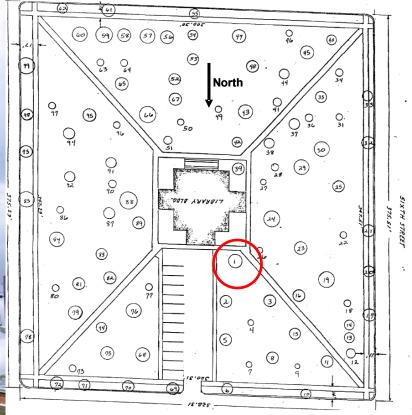


Removal Tree # 13 S. Pacific Park - #7 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

- Elm, ~ 40'tall. Overhangs South Pacific St.
- •Poor trunk taper (indicates lack of good anchor).
- •Small leaves and pronounced lack of vigor.





# Removal Tree # 14 Carnegie Park - #1 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

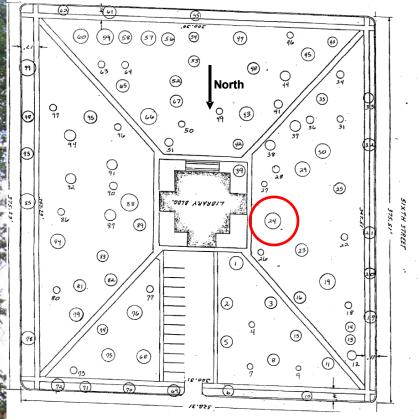
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 30' tall.

•West facing limb presents risk of failure.

•Main stem has been damaged (topped or broken); insufficient to sustain tree.





# Removal Tree # 15 Carnegie Park - #24 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

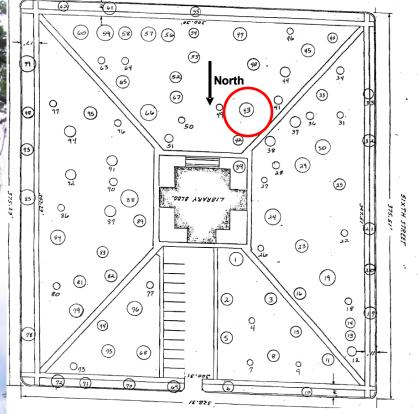
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 30'tall.

•Extremely poor structure, with too many large limbs radiating from the same area of stem.

•Signs of weak attachment on one or more limb.



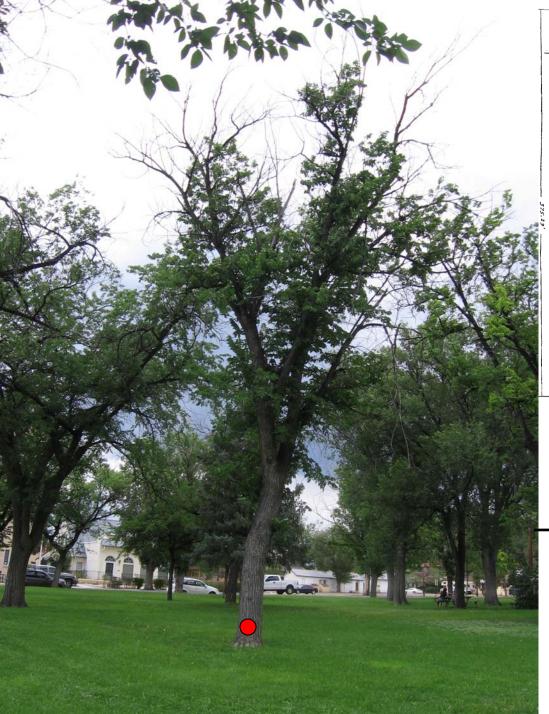


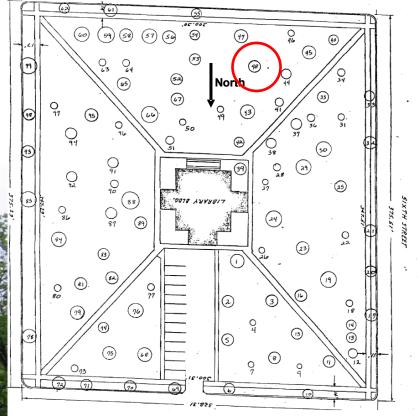
# Removal Tree # 16 Carnegie Park - #43 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 40'tall.

- •Lack of vigor and poor color indicate a tree in distress.
- •Decay present.





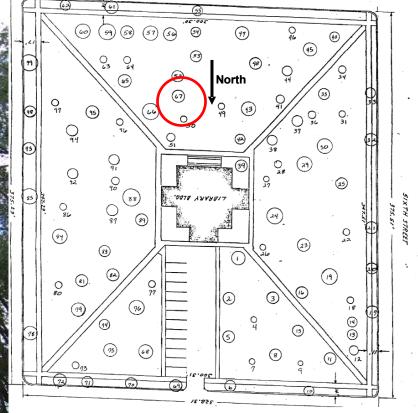
# Removal Tree # 17 Carnegie Park - #48 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

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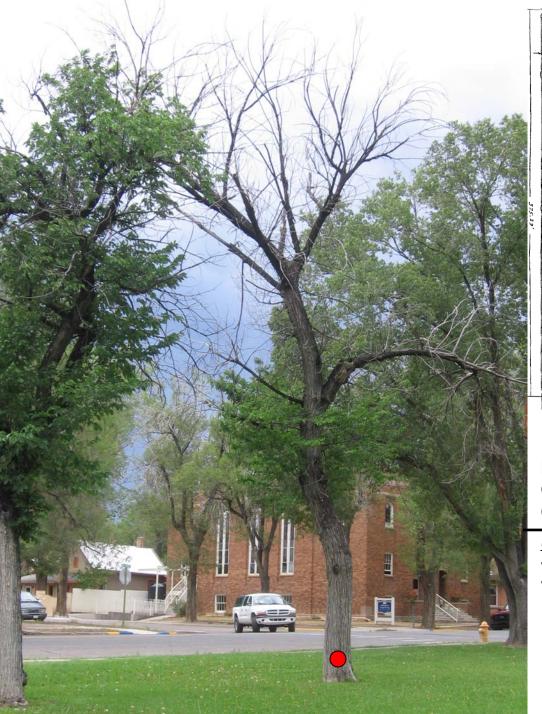
- •Elm, 25 30'tall.
- •Significant deadwood, lack of vigor.
- •Lean may indicate further problems.

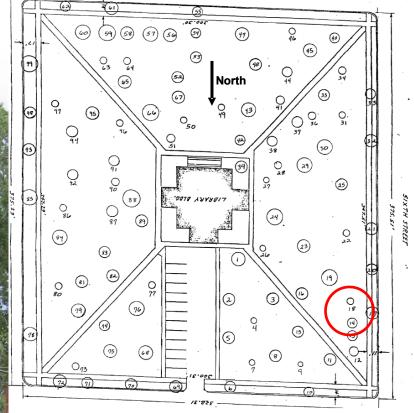




# Removal Tree # 18 Carnegie Park - #67 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 25 30' tall.
- •Lack of canopy and vigor.
- •Wound at ~ 12' in one major limb.





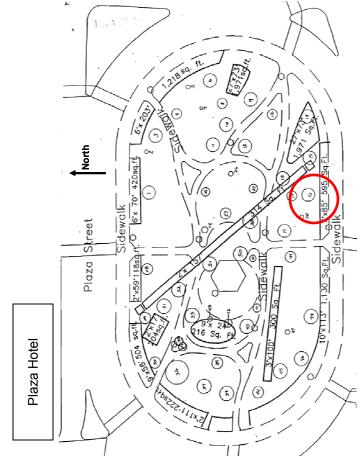
# Removal Tree # 19 Carnegie Park - #14 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Probable elm, ~ 30' tall.

•Dead top 20', with a fringe of epicormic shoots only at  $\sim$  10'.





Removal Tree # 20 Plaza Park - #16 on diagram (red dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

• Elm, ~ 40' tall.

•Uncorrectable lean over target-rich area.

• Lean and weight is on the sidewalk side, with no counterbalancing branches or stems on the opposite side.

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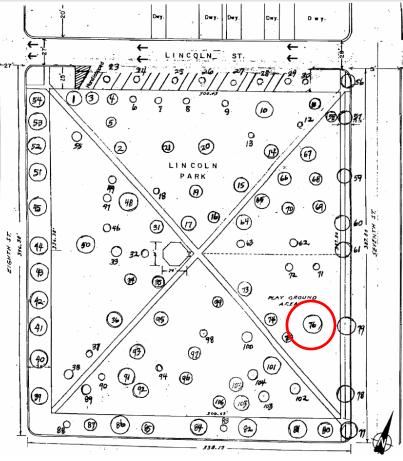
# Candidate Trees for Pruning

Candidate Tree to Prune by Park

Lincoln	2
Plaza	8
Carnegie	7
South Pacific	1
Keyes	2

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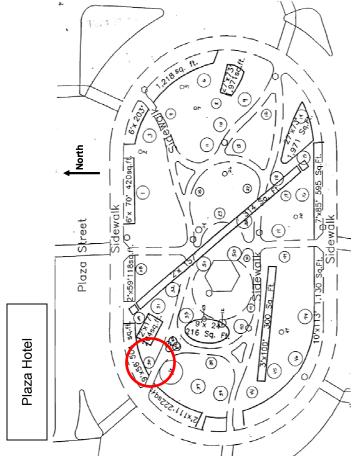




# Pruning Tree # 1 Lincoln Park - #76 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- + Elm, ~50' tall, provides significant playground shade
- Needs crown cleaning, crown thinning, selective structural pruning
- Goal is to improve safety and retention



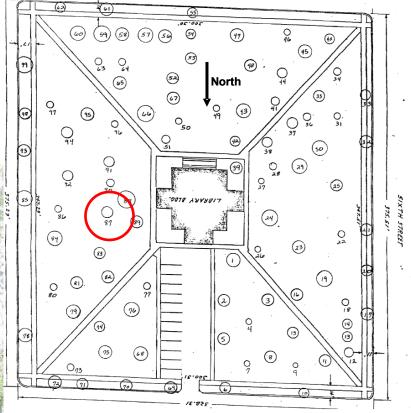


Pruning Tree # 2 Plaza Park - #30 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

#### Comments:

- Elm, 40-50' tall
- Street tree, anchors Plaza Park corner
- Needs crown cleaning and reduction of weight on limbs overhanging street, parked cars, pedestrian walkways and next to street lamp.
- Goal is to reduce street side limb failure risk in target-rich environment.





# Pruning Tree # 3 Carnegie Park - #87 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

- Elm, 55-60' tall
- Significant park tree
- · Needs crown cleaning and aerial inspection to identify and remediate any significant problems detected.
- Goal is to improve retention of tree



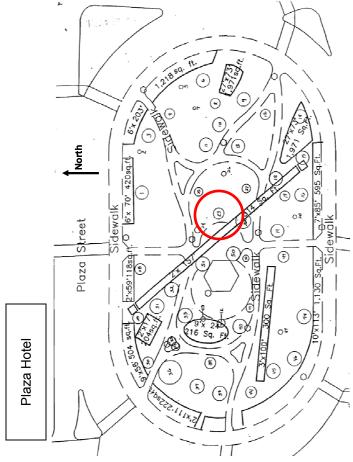
Pruning Tree # 4 Keyes Park - #NN on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

•.Elm, ~40' tall

- Significant tree; the only shade in playground area.
- Needs crown thinning and restoration (from bad cuts).
- Remove lower stem of codominant limb, on NE side, ~ 25' up.
- •Goal is to improve safety and retention of tree.





Pruning Tree # 5 Plaza Park - #23 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

- Elm, ~ 30 40' tall
- •Thin canopy to reduce wind drag through tree.

• Despite evidence of some decay, an otherwise healthy appearing tree of value to park.



Pruning Tree # 6 Keyes Park - #129 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

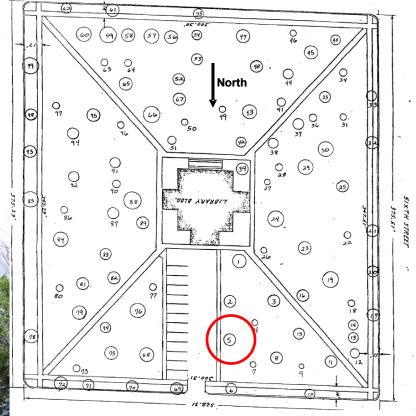
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 30' tall.

- Structural pruning reduce weight of limbs on west side of tree.
- Clean and restore crown (prune damage and poor pruning cuts).

• Goal is to reduce risk of poor weight distribution and retain tree. This tree has flaws but is deemed important to the site..

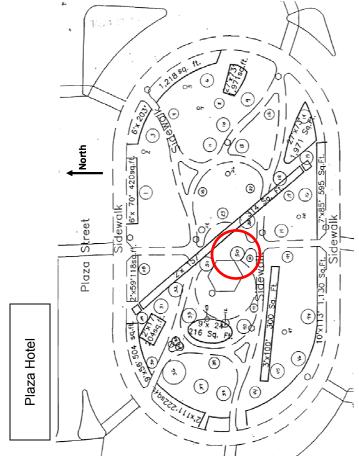




# Pruning Tree # 7 Carnegie Park - #5 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30' tall
- Clean and thin crown, prune west side of tree over parking lot.
- Goal is to reduce risk to cars and pedestrians in parking lot.

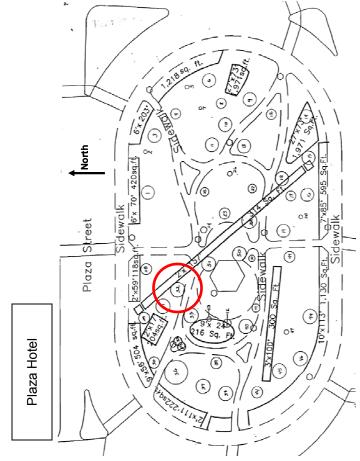




Pruning Tree # 8 Plaza Park - #50 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30 to 40' tall
- Prune limbs which are likely to pose an immediate risk to structure.
- Clean and thin crown.
- •Goal is to reduce risk of damage to gazebo and its users.





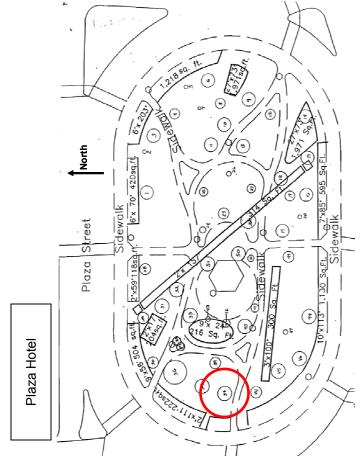
Pruning Tree # 9 Plaza Park - #32 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 30' tall

- Prune limb where indicated to reduce weight on limb with otherwise poor structure.
- Clean and thin crown.
- Goal is to reduce risk to gazebo without removing entire limb.

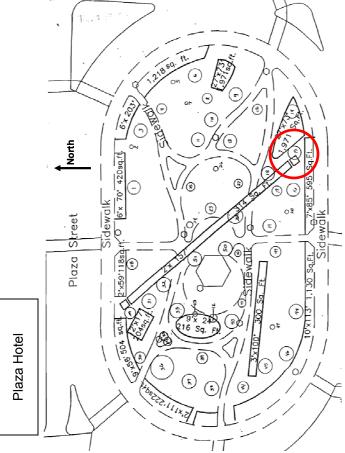




Pruning Tree # 10 Plaza Park - #38 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30' tall
- Prune limb where indicated to reduce weight on limb.
- Clean and thin crown, as needed.
- Goal is to remediate a poor weight distribution (due to poor structure ) and reduce risk to park users and pedestrians.

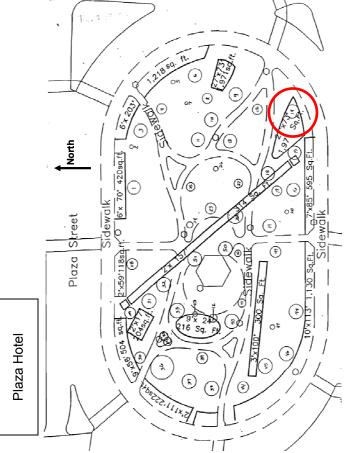




Pruning Tree # 11 Plaza Park - #15 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30 to 40' tall
- Prune to reduce overhang, south side
- Goal is to reduce limb failure in target-rich area (pedestrians and cars)





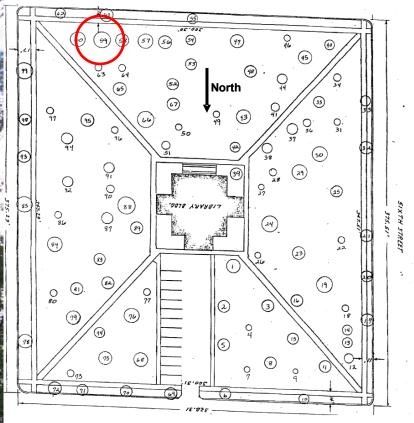
Pruning Tree # 12 Plaza Park - #14 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, 30 to 40' tall

- Prune to reduce overhang on south side.
- Goal is to reduce risk of limb failure on target-rich side (cars and pedestrians)





# Pruning Tree # 13 Carnegie Park - #59 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

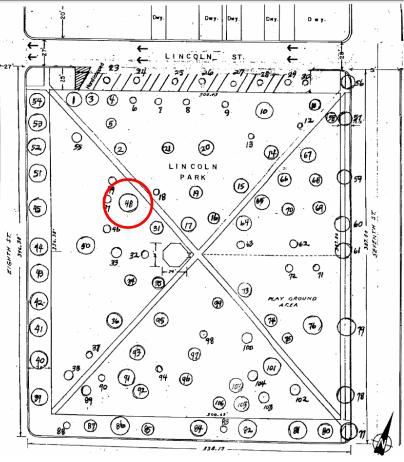
### <u>Comments</u>:

• Elm, ~ 40 to 50' tall

•Structural prune – subordinate or thin multiple main branches.

• Goal is retention of a significant and otherwise reasonably healthy tree.

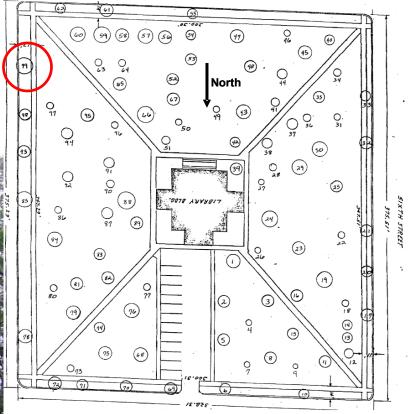




Pruning Tree # 14 Lincoln Park - #48 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30 to 35' tall
- Restore damaged tree remove significant dead limb
- Clean and thin crown, as warranted.
- Goal is to clean and re-shape for retention.

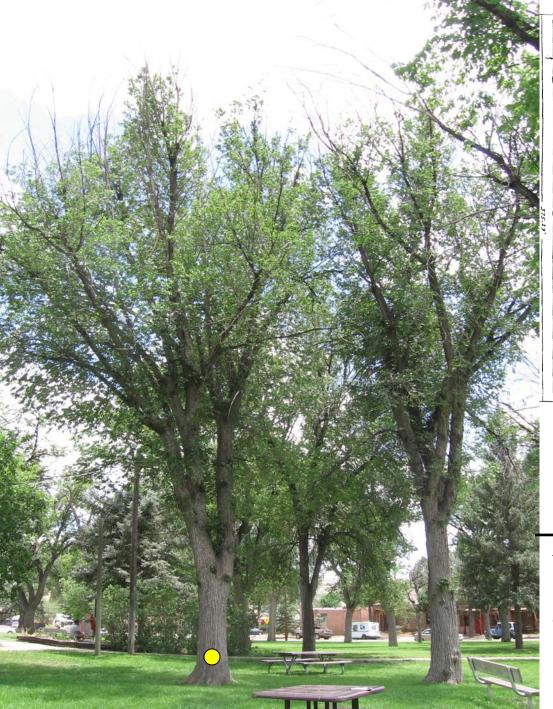


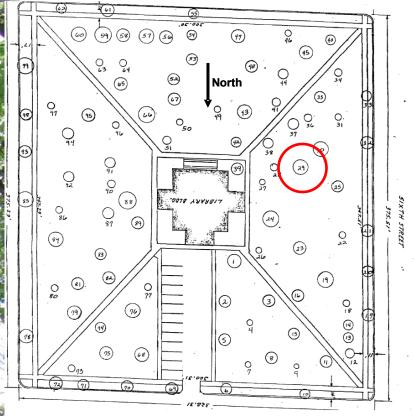


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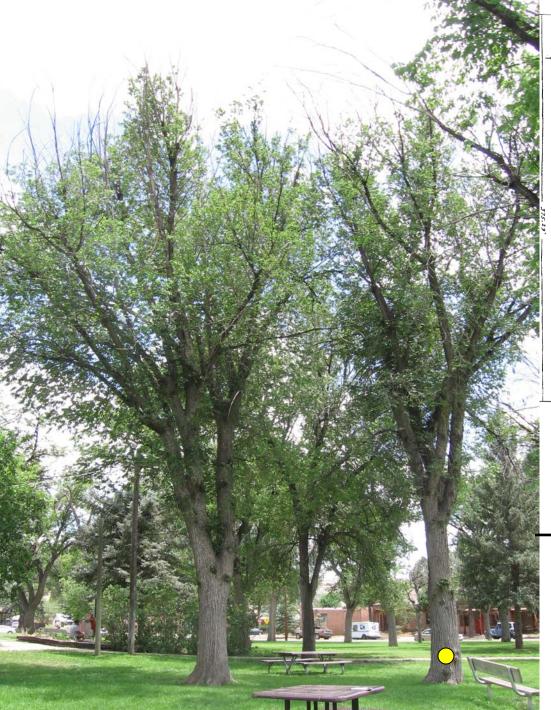
- Elm, ~ 35 to 45' tall
- Structural prune Remove or subordinate multiple secondary branches.
- Clean and restore crown (remove poor pruning cuts).
- Goal is to reduce risk and prolong life of street tree.

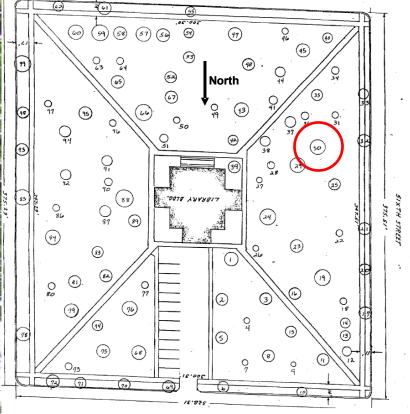




# Pruning Tree # 16 Carnegie Park - #29 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30 to 40' tall
- Clean, thin, and structurally prune.
- Goal is to reduce risk and prolong life of tree until replacement trees are viable.





# Pruning Tree # 17 Carnegie Park - #30 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

- Elm, ~ 30 to 40' tall
- •Clean, thin, and structurally prune.
- Goal is to reduce risk and prolong life of tree until replacement trees are viable.





Pruning Tree # 18 Plaza Park - #46 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

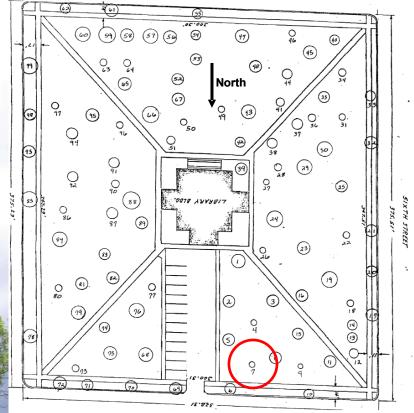
• Elm, ~ 30 to 40' tall

•Clean and thin crown. Prune overhanging limbs.

• Tree has major faults (galls, epicormic shoots, reduced vigor) but its removal would leave a significant hole in the park canopy.

• Goal is to plant replacement tree(s) while maintaining existing tree for 3 to 5 years before its removal.

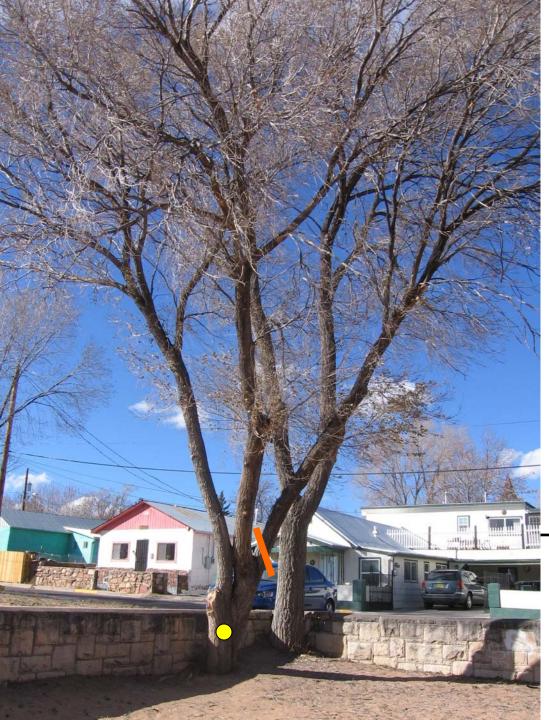


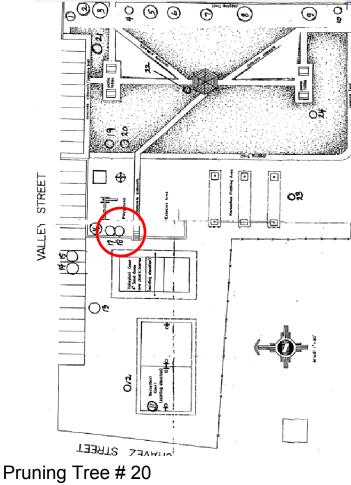


# Pruning Tree # 19 Carnegie Park - #7 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

### Comments:

- Ash, ~ 30 to 40' tall
- Reduce weight on NE facing limb by thinning.
- Clean crown.
- Tree has poor structure and vigor; it bears watching in subsequent years.
- Goal is to reduce risk to pedestrians and cars.





S. Pacific Park - #17/18 on diagram (yellow dot paint on trunk)

#### Comments:

• Elm, ~ 25 to 30' tall

- Multi-stem tree. Prune one stem where indicated
- Thin and reduce overhang on opposite stem, closest to playground equipment.
- Goal is to improve poor structure and reduce risk to playground in a park that has few trees. This tree bears watching in future years.