BOROUGH OF WEST LONG BRANCH Zoning Officer

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PERMIT For TREE REMOVAL Date: _____ Fee: \$45.00 (Check or Money Order Only) Check #: ____ Reason for Tree Removal: Dead Interfering with utility services Irreversibly Declining Creates unsafe Vision Clearance In Danger of Falling Too Constitutes a health or Safety Close to Existing Structures Hazard Please mark all trees requested to be removed by placing a <u>ribbon</u> around the tree so we can determine approval.

<u>Do not remove any tree(s) until inspection is complete</u> and you are issued an approved permit. The purpose of this application is to preserve, protect, replace and properly maintain trees within the Borough and protect the public from trees which pose a threat or danger. You are required to submit a Tree preservation plan with this application & one (1) hard copy of a current survey/plot plan/site plan showing where trees are being removed from and where replacement will occur. All surveys must be prepared by a land surveyor (signed/sealed). If any of the requested information is submitted incomplete, the application shall be returned unprocessed Please Print Clearly 1. Property Address: ______Unit#:____ Block: ____ Lot: ___ Zone: ____ Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ 2. Owner Information: Tel. No.: _____ Email: _____ Cell Phone: ____ Address: 3. Contractor or Tree company Information: Business Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Tel. No.: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____ Address:_____Municipal Landscaper License#: 4-8.2 License Required. [Ord. #O-96-15, S 2] No person or entity shall engage in or carry on the commercial business of furnishing or providing landscaping, lawn maintenance, or similar services within the Borough without first having obtained from the Borough a license for that purpose. 4. Detailed description of work (number of trees removing and the reason for removal):

5. Has the above premises been the subject of any prior application for tree removal?

Yes_____ No____ If Yes, state date _____

TREE PRESERVATION CODE

Tree Preservation Plan shall mean a document which identifies, by common name, certain species of trees of a specified DBH within a particular area. The plan shall list, as required by the Shade Tree Commission, all existing and proposed trees and shall specifically state whether each tree is proposed to be destroyed, relocated, replaced, preserved at its present location, or introduced into the development from an off-site source. The Shade Tree Commission may provide that the tree preservation plan exclude those portions of the site which it determines will not be affected by the development activity.

Ordinance O-22-13- Before any tree may be removed from any property within the Borough, a tree permit must be obtained. This requirement applies to both live and dead or dying trees. No tree may be removed on Sunday, except where there has been storm damage and imminent harzard exists.

Penalties: Any person found guilty of violating any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to a fine of (a) \$100 if the tree was removed without the property owner first having obtained a tree removal permit, and (b) \$1,000 per tree for all other violations, plus not less than \$100, nor more than \$1,000 and replacement of the tree, consistent with the Chapter requirements. Each tree intentionally cut down, destroyed, damaged, or removed, without being replaced, shall constitute a separate offense.

23-4.4. Rule 4. Size of Replacement Trees. [Ord. #O-08-10, S 4]

Unless otherwise stated in these rules, the removal of any six (6") inch tree or six (6") inch grouping of trees must be replaced with trees the total diameter at breast height (DBH) of which is equal to at least 30% of the total diameter at breast height (DBH) inches removed. No replacement tree shall have a diameter breast height less than two (2") inches. If the removal of one tree necessitates a replacement of more than three trees, DBH may be satisfied by planting three trees and thereafter substituting shrubs for trees at a rate of one shrub per one (1") inch of DBH.

23-4.5. Rule 5. Tree Removal

- a. No replacement is required when the tree, due to natural circumstances, is dead or irreversibly declining, is in danger of falling, is too close to existing structures so as to endanger such structures, interferes with utility services, creates unsafe vision clearance, or constitutes a health or safety hazard.
- b. No tree which meets the requirements of this Chapter may be removed without it being replaced in accordance with the terms of this Chapter. The only exceptions thereto shall be those set forth in Rule 5a above.
- c. Neither this nor any other Rule or regulation of this Chapter shall be deemed to prohibit any owner of residential property in the Borough of West Long Branch from removing a tree, as long as the tree is replaced in a manner which is compliant with Rules 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

Applicant certifies that all statements and information made and provided as a part of this application are true to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief. Applicant further states that all pertinent municipal ordinances, and all conditions, regulations and requirements of the site plan approval, variances and other permits granted with respect to said property, shall be complied with. All Zoning Permits will be granted or denied within (10) business days from the date the complete application is submitted.

Print Applicant's Name		
Signature of Applicant	 Date	
Print Owner's Name (if different than applicant)		
Signature of Owner's (if different than applicant)	 Date	

Appeals of the Zoning Officer's determination must be filed within 20 days of the issuance to the Planning Board/Zoning Board as provided by the NJ Municipal Land Use Law. This limitation is not imposed if the applicant is seeking a Variance, site plan, or subdivisions. The Board reserves the right to deem additional information and/or Variances required. Approved zoning permits are valid for one (1) year, and may be extended by action of the Zoning Board.

Note: Construction by any third parties is prohibited on Sundays in the Borough (Ordinance #O-22-10)