



The City of Seattle  
**Landmarks Preservation Board**

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**STAFF REPORT**

LPB 303/22

**Property Name:** University Branch Library

**Address:** 5009 Roosevelt Way NE

**Features and Characteristics for which a Certificate of Approval is required:**

The site, the exterior of the building, and the interior of the main floor of the building excluding floor coverings and movable furniture.

**Designated under Standards:**

C, D, E and F.

**Summary of proposed changes:** Proposed removal of one tree.

**PROPOSED MOTION FOR APPROVAL**

I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for the removal of one tree at the University Branch Library, 5009 Roosevelt Way NE, as per the attached submittal.

**EXPLANATION AND FINDINGS**

This action is based on the following:

1. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 A, *the extent to which the proposed alteration or significant change would adversely affect the features or characteristics described in Ordinance 121104.*
  - a. The site should not be adversely impacted by the loss of the tree, and the applicant has demonstrated the need for removal due to the poor health of the trees and potential safety issues.
2. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 B, *the reasonableness or lack thereof of the proposed alterations or significant change in light of other alternatives available to achieve the objectives of the owner and the applicant.*

- a. There is no reasonable alternative to removing the tree.
- 4. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 C, D and E are not applicable.