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Cc: Pantin, Martha; Iglesias, Peter; Santiago, Lina; Lago, Vince; Commissioners; Code Enforcement
Subject: RE: 718 Valencia Street Trees Improperly Cut

Thank you for the notice, Commissioner.
This is very unfortunate, I agree.

Dear code enforcement,
Please proceed to cite the property at 718 Valencia for the following :

Pruning city right of way trees without a permit.
The pruning done is considered improper pruning (tree abuse) , as per section 82 of the city code.

Please ask the building management to reach out to me with any questions.

Best,
Deena

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Good morning Deena and Jorge. Last night I was saddened to see that five (5) street trees at 718 Valencia had their central leaders cut and all upper branches facing the building. The trees were just getting to the point that they could have provided meaning shade in the next year or two.

A picture showing an example of the damage is attached. Please address with code and discuss doing an educational piece to deter residents, landscaping companies and condo managers from doing damage to the tree canopy in the future.

Rhonda

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