

City of Biloxi Tree Committee

September 2, 2026

Planning Commission Tree Hearing

September 3, 2026

Subject: Case Number: TR - 26 – 003

Commission Members:

Case No. TR-26-003 - R W Development, LLC (owner) and John Stewart (applicant) a request to remove twenty-eight (28) protected trees (25 Live Oaks & 3 Magnolias), to authorize the construction of a new casino (Black Marlin), on seven parcels of land presently identified as 1816 Boulevard, two unaddressed parcels fronting to Beach Boulevard and 105, 155, 157 & 163 McDonnell Avenue (Tax Parcel Nos. 12100J-02-021.000, 1210J-02-020.000, 1210J-02-017.000, 1210J-02-015.000, 1210J-02-013.000, & 1210J-02-012.000).

On Wednesday, September 2, 2026 our City of Biloxi Tree Committee met and discussed this Tree Hearing request. After much discussion with stipulations the City of Biloxi Tree Committee voted by majority to approve the tree request and a motion was made to address this Tree Hearing:

A motion was made and approved unanimously to allow RW Development to proceed with plans to remove protected trees (28) as necessary with the following stipulations:

1. No trees shall be cut down without a building permit.
2. RW must follow the mitigation ordinance. Mitigation either by check to the Tree Fund or with replacement trees, shall be for 209 trees. The check must be deposited prior to RW Development moving forward.
3. Must plant some live oaks on the property's landscaping to maintain the aesthetic beauty of the Gulf Coast.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Peterson, City of Biloxi Tree Chairperson