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*Greg Mitchell - Acting Director of Planning and Urban Development  
Marge Schmuckal, Zoning Administrator*

November 21, 2011

John & Mary Jo Cashman  
8 Farms Edge Way  
Cumberland, ME 04021

RE: 23 Seashore Avenue, Peaks Island, ME – 084-E-10 & 11 – IR-2 Zone

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Cashman,

I am in receipt of your request to Jeff Tarling, the City Arborist, and me concerning the removal of two existing trees in the Shoreland Zoning area located by your house at 23 Seashore Avenue, Peaks Island, Maine. On June 21, 2011 Jeff Tarling, Mike Morse, of DEP, and myself made a site inspection of the trees along the side of your property. At that time, based upon visual information, Jeff Tarling made a decision that was agreed upon, to allow the removal of the existing spruce tree only.

Since that time, you had David Price of Price Structural Engineers evaluate the condition of the silver maple tree in the same vicinity of the spruce tree. You sent that engineering evaluation to Jeff Tarling, who in turn forwarded it to me. We both agree, based upon the submitted information, that the silver maple may also be removed. However, because of the location and the slope and the limited area to replant, there is a requirement to replace the two trees with bayberry shrubs in the same areas of the trees. Please, submit a replanting schedule to me or Jeff Tarling for our records.

I have also checked with Barbara Barhydt of the Planning Division concerning further reviews through her division. She advised me that there was no requirement for a site plan review through her division.

Please consider this letter to be a conditioned approval to remove the spruce tree and silver maple tree with the condition that the area be replanted with bayberry shrubs based upon a planting schedule that is to be submitted to us at City Hall.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 874-8695.

Very truly yours,

Marge Schmuckal, Zoning Administrator

Cc: Jeff Tarling, City Arborist