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Mr. Crenshaw,

I inspected the perimeter of 1506, 1508, and 1510 Willow Lawn Drive for the new construction project on 1/04/2022 and my thoughts are as follows:

The trees on the adjacent properties, including the larger Oaks identified on the plan you provided, look to have most, if not all, of their canopy on their own respective parcels (that being the single-family home lots). In reviewing the area outside of the proposed apartment building footprint on the Crenshaw properties as shown on the site plan dated 12/30/21, this area of buffer between the proposed building footprint and the parcel line has limited if any canopy coverage from the larger Oaks on the residents' parcels; therefore, excavation for the construction of footings for the building should not impact the root systems of these mature Oak trees if it is done in preexisting parking lot areas and not in the buffer. If construction work is superficial to the ground and there is no excavating of soil, the roots (if present at all in the buffer) should not be impacted. Since the vast majority of roots are within the canopy or drip line of trees, this would be outside the critical root zone. Life is involved here, and I cannot make any guarantees, but given the site and the superficial construction plan in the areas of concern the trees should be OK.

My recommendation would be to install temporary construction fencing to keep equipment out and off adjacent properties, as is required by the building code. This should lower the likelihood of any impact by keeping the root zone protected and defining the tree protection zone.

Please let me know any questions or concerns, as I am here to help and be a resource.
Thanks,

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