

Meeting of November 4, 2014

South Portland City Council  
***Position Paper of the City Manager***

***Subject:***

***STREET CLOSURE – Lucas Tree and Central Maine Power are requesting to close a section of Mussey Street on November 4, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to remove a tree at 6 Mussey Street. Passage requires majority vote.***

***Position:***

On Friday, the City was contacted by Tom Griswold from Lucas Tree requesting permission to close a section of Mussey Street to remove a tree at 6 Mussey Street.

In order to remove this tree, a crane and a bucket truck need to be used. Because of the construction of the communication lines crossing the road, the crane needs to be set in a position that will block the road in front of this address.

There are two options for the placement of flaggers. One will be set up at the intersection of High St. and Mussey St. The other flagger can be positioned at the intersection of Mussey Street and Broadway or Mussey Street and Second Street They will help with rerouting traffic if needed. Traffic will be able to come and go down Mussey Street, but will not be able to go through.

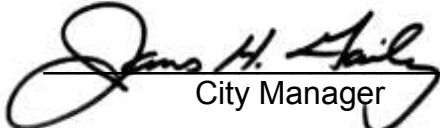
The staff at the Coast Guard base has been notified regarding the road blockage. Mr. Griswold has spoken with Doug Howard and, although, this is a trash removal day, it will not interfere with the operation. The Fire Department and Police Department have also been notified. The neighborhood will be notified on Saturday, November 1, 2014 with delivery of a letter at each address outlining the work as well as a map showing the area blocked.

Mr. Griswold will be at Monday's meeting to answer any questions.

I am requesting the City Council waive Rule 4 and allow this item to be on the agenda.

***Requested Action:***

Approval of road closure on Mussey Street on November 4, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

  
City Manager

## Nadeau, Sherry

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**From:** Gailey, James  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2014 2:56 PM  
**To:** Mooney, Susan; Nadeau, Sherry  
**Subject:** FW: Road closure

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**From:** Tom Griswold [<mailto:tgriswold@LucasTree.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2014 2:09 PM  
**To:** Gailey, James  
**Cc:** Whitworth, David A.  
**Subject:** Road closure

Good Afternoon Mr. Gailey,

I am a tree contractor for Central Maine Power. I am emailing to request a road closure for a section of Mussey St. There is a hazard Maple at 6 Mussey St. that needs to be removed. In order to remove this tree we will be using a crane and a bucket truck. Because of the construction of the communication lines crossing the road, we will need to set the crane in a position that will block the road in front of this address.. There are two options for the placement of flaggers. One will be set up at the intersection of High St. and Mussey St. The other flagger can be positioned at the intersection of Mussey St. and Broadway or Mussey St. and Second St. They will help with rerouting traffic if needed. Traffic will be able to come and go down Mussey but won't be able to go thru.

I have notified the Coast Guard base that is located at the intersection of High and Mussey about the road blockage. I have handed a map of the operation to your office and the fire department. I spoke with Doug Howard (Director of Public Works) as well in regards to this closure. He told me that this will be the same day as trash removal which we will not interfere. I will be notifying the neighborhood tomorrow Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. I will leave a letter at each address stating the time and date of the event with a description as well. I will also include a little map that will show the area that will be blocked. These notifications will be dropped off at each residents mail box.

My crew will be blocking this portion of the road between 07:00 am and 2:00 pm. on November 4<sup>th</sup>. If there are any questions or concerns please contact me via cell phone or email. I will attend the council meeting Monday night in case there are any questions or concerns.

Thank you and have a safe weekend

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**Thomas Griswold**  
Utility Supervisor

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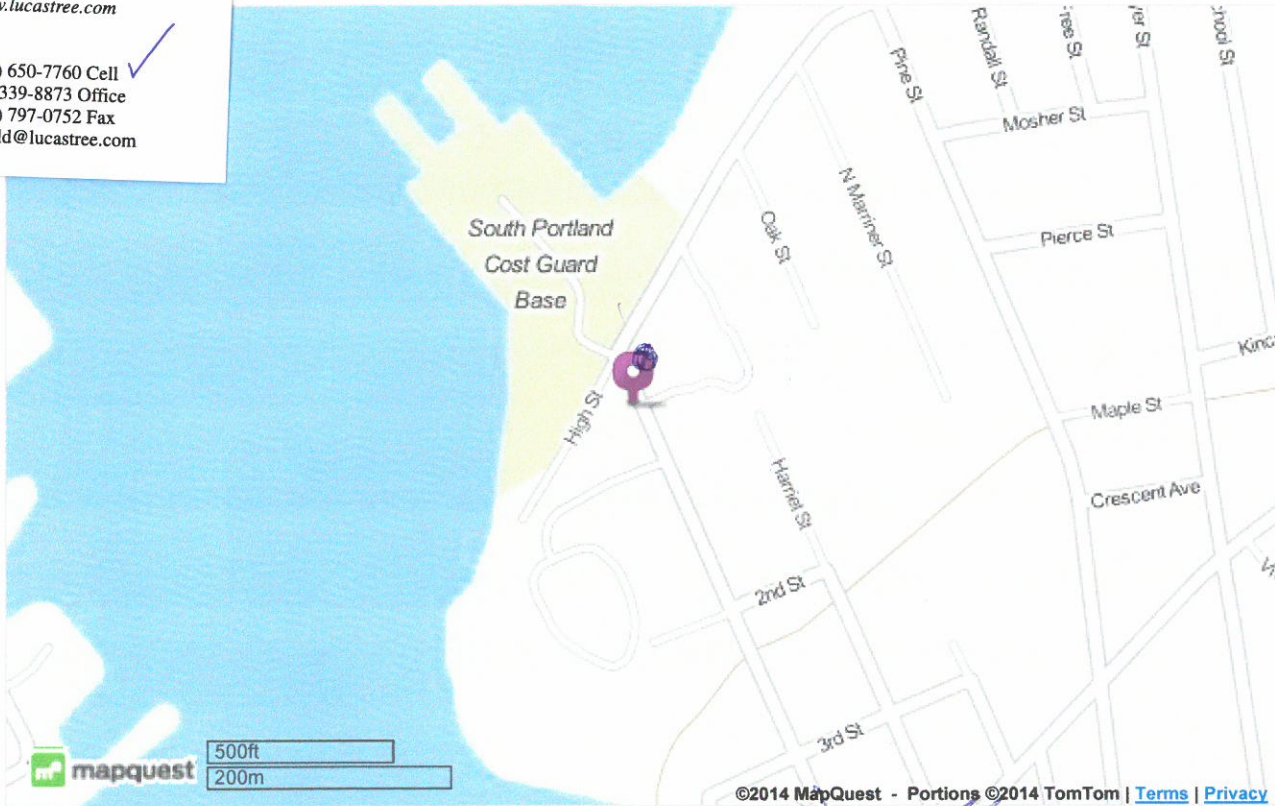
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Tuesday 0700-1400 apx. Nov 4, 2014