

To the City of Milwaukee,

Please find below information regarding my client Michael Dupar's claim against the City of Milwaukee for damage to his vehicle caused by the negligence of the City and/or its employees acting within the scope of their employment, for which he seeks damages in the amount of \$3,506.45.

Claimant Information

Michael Dupar
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Milwaukee, WI 53207
(414) 364-4903
mddupar@gmail.com

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Description of Incident

The following is a summary of the information known about this incident to date, all of which Claimant is willing and able to testify to under oath if so called.

At approximately 2 a.m. on July 9th, 2025, my client, Claimant Mr. Dupar, awoke to a loud sawing sound. Upon walking downstairs and into the street, he found City of Milwaukee Arborists feeding a portion of a large tree limb into a wood chipper. The limb had fallen directly onto his 2017 Subaru Crosstrek, caving-in the hood of the vehicle and damaging the front frame, moon roof and windshield.

The vehicle was parked across the street from his residence at 2955 S. Wentworth Ave, directly in front of the property located at 2954 S Wentworth Ave. The weather on the night of the incident was typical of a mild summer night. No storms, high winds or extreme heat were present in the day preceding the event.

Prior to the incident, the same tree had dropped a much smaller branch on June 23rd, 2025 that did not cause such significant property damage. The neighbor, Michael Peña, who resides at 2954 S. Wentworth Ave., put in a service request to the City via its software Accela/Click4Action to address the problem. Mr. Peña notified the claimant of the fallen branch and that City Arborists were being dispatched to respond to his claim.

According to the City's website regarding Forestry Services,
<https://city.milwaukee.gov/dpw/operations/forestry>:

Common reasons for out-of-cycle pruning include low branches growing over the sidewalk and street, and noticing a defect such as a split, large cavity, or large

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Vehicle Valuation Report

Prepared For Progressive Group of Insurance Companies (800) 321-9843

Claim Information

Claim Number	Policy Number	Loss Type	Owner	
25-279914716-01		COMPREHENSIVE	MICHAEL DUPAR 2955 S WENTWORTH AVE MILWAUKEE, WI 53207 +1-414-3644903	
Loss Date	Reported Date	Valuation Report Date	Valuation Report ID	Version Number
07/09/2025	07/09/2025	07/11/2025	1021873545	1

Vehicle Information

Year	Make	Model	Location	Mileage
2017	Subaru	Crosstrek Limited 4 Door Utility 104" WB 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas A AWD	WI 53207	110,695 miles
Ext Color	License		VIN	Title History
Crystal Black Silica			JF2GPALC7H8227187	No

Valuation Summary

Loss Vehicle Adjustments

Adjustments specific to your vehicle

Base Value =	\$14,538.86
Condition -	\$324.46
Prior Damage	\$0.00
Aftermarket Parts	\$0.00
Refurbishment	\$0.00

Market Value = \$14,214.40

Settlement Adjustments

Adjustments specific to your policy

Deductible - \$500.00

Settlement Value = \$13,714.40

Settlement Value:
\$13,714.40

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Loss Vehicle Detail

Loss vehicle: 2017 Subaru Crosstrek | Limited 4 Door Utility 104" WB | 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas A AWD

Standard Equipment

Exterior

Auto On/Off Aero-Composite Halogen Daytime Running Auto High-Beam Headlamps	Auto On/Off Reflector Halogen Daytime Running Auto High-Beam Headlamps
Black Bodyside Cladding and Black Wheel Well Trim	Black grille w/chrome accents
Black Side Windows Trim	Body-colored door handles
Body-Colored Front Bumper w/Black Rub Strip/Fascia Accent and Chrome Bumper Insert	Body-Colored Power Heated Side Mirrors w/Manual Folding and Turn Signal Indicator
Body-Colored Rear Step Bumper w/Black Rub Strip/Fascia Accent	Clearcoat paint
Compact Spare Tire Mounted Inside Under Cargo	Deep tinted glass
Fixed Rear Window w/Fixed Interval Wiper and Defroster	Front fog lamps
Fully Galvanized Steel Panels	Headlights-Automatic Highbeams
Liftgate Rear Cargo Access	Lip spoiler
Perimeter/Approach Lights	Roof Rack Rails Only
Steel spare wheel	Tailgate/Rear Door Lock Included w/Power Door Locks
Tires: 225/55R17 95H AS	Variable Intermittent Wipers w/Heated Wiper Park
Wheels: 17" x 7.0J Aluminum Alloy -inc: Dark gray w/machine finish	

Interior

1 Seatback Storage Pocket	2 12V DC Power Outlets
2 LCD Monitors In The Front	4-Way Passenger Seat -inc: Manual Recline
6-Way Driver Seat -inc: Manual Recline	60-40 Folding Bench Front Facing Fold Forward Seatback Rear Seat
Air filtration	Analog Appearance
Automatic air conditioning	Cargo Features -inc: Cargo Tray/Organizer
Cargo Space Lights	Carpet Floor Trim and Vinyl/Rubber Mat
Cruise control w/steering wheel controls	Day-night rearview mirror
Digital Signal Processor	Driver And Passenger Visor Vanity Mirrors
Driver foot rest	Driver information center
Fade-to-off interior lighting	FOB Controls -inc: Cargo Access
Front Cupholder	Front map lights
Full Carpet Floor Covering -inc: Carpet Front And Rear Floor Mats	Full cloth headliner
Full Floor Console w/Covered Storage and 2 12V DC Power Outlets	Gauges -inc: Speedometer, Odometer, Tachometer, Trip Odometer and Trip Computer
Heated Front Bucket Seats -inc: driver's seat pump lever type height adjuster and driver/passenger full width seat fore/aft adjustment lever	HVAC -inc: Underseat Ducts
Illuminated locking glove box	Immobilizer
Instrument Panel Bin, Driver / Passenger And Rear Door Bins	Interior Trim -inc: Metal-Look/Piano Black Instrument Panel Insert and Chrome/Metal-Look Interior Accents
Interior Trim -inc: Piano Black/Metal-Look Instrument Panel Insert and Chrome/Metal-Look Interior Accents	Leather-trimmed upholstery

Leather/Metal-Look Gear Shifter Material

Leatherette Door Trim Insert

Manual w/Tilt Front Head Restraints and Manual Adjustable Rear Head Restraints

Perimeter alarm

Power door locks

Radio w/Seek-Scan, Clock, Speed Compensated Volume Control and Steering Wheel Controls

Rear cupholder

Remote Releases -Inc: Power Cargo Access and Mechanical Fuel

Seats w/Leatherette Back Material

Subaru Starlink Smartphone Integration -inc: AHA Infotainment, Pandora, MirrorLink, Siri Eyes Free, iHeart Radio, calendar, Stitcher, music player, news and weather

Trip computer

Mechanical

15.9 Gal. Fuel Tank

4-Wheel Disc Brakes w/4-Wheel ABS, Front Vented Discs, Brake Assist and Hill Hold Control

Double Wishbone Rear Suspension w/Coil Springs

Front And Rear Anti-Roll Bars

Gas-pressurized shock absorbers

Permanent Locking Hubs

Strut Front Suspension w/Coil Springs

Safety

ABS And Driveline Traction Control

and Rear Cross Traffic Alert

Blind Spot Detection Blind Spot

Driver knee airbag

Dual Stage Driver And Passenger Seat-Mounted Side Airbags

Low Tire Pressure Warning

Rear child safety locks

Leather/Metal-Look Steering Wheel

Manual tilt/telescoping steering column

Outside temp gauge

Power 1st Row Windows w/Driver 1-Touch Up/Down

Power Rear Windows and Fixed 3rd Row Windows

Radio: Subaru Starlink 7.0" Multimedia Plus System -inc: AM/FM stereo HD Radio, multi touch gesture high resolution 7.0" LCD display, voice activated controls, Radio Broadcast Data System (RBDS), Bluetooth audio streaming connectivity, iPod control capability, SMS text messaging capability, SiriusXM All Access Radio, Travel and Travel Link (subscription required), dual USB ports, 3.5mm auxiliary input jack, 6 speakers, and roof mounted audio and satellite antenna Starlink enrollment cannot be applicable to Fleet Management Companies (FMCs) or to Commercial fleet accounts at this time.

Remote Keyless Entry w/Integrated Key Transmitter, Illuminated Entry, Illuminated Ignition Switch and Panic Button

Roll-Up Cargo Cover

Sliding Front Center Armrest and Rear Center Armrest

Systems Monitor

3.70 axle ratio

Battery w/run down protection

Electric Power-Assist Speed-Sensing Steering

Full-Time All-Wheel

GVWR: 4,343 lbs

Single stainless steel exhaust

Airbag Occupancy Sensor

Back-up camera

Curtain 1st And 2nd Row Airbags

Dual Stage Driver And Passenger Front Airbags

Electronic stability control (ESC)

Outboard Front Lap And Shoulder Safety Belts -inc: Rear Center 3 Point, Height Adjusters and Pretensioners

Side impact beams

Packages

MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS

-inc: Navigation System, SD card map, voice activated navigation controls, SiriusXM NavTraffic (subscription required), and SiriusXM NavWeather (subscription required), Power Moonroof, Keyless Access w/Push-Button Start, PIN code access

Loss Vehicle Base Value

Loss vehicle: 2017 Subaru Crosstrek | Limited 4 Door Utility 104" WB | 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas A AWD

Comparable Vehicle Information

Search Radius used for this valuation: 75 miles from loss vehicle zip/postal code.

Typical Mileage for this vehicle: 90,000 miles

#	Vehicle Description	Mileage	Location	Distance From Loss Vehicle	Price	Adjusted Value
1	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	66,923	60195	64 miles	\$16,934.00 Sold Price	\$12,887.61
2	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	107,416	53209	12 miles	\$14,708.00 List Price	\$14,837.57
3	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	79,120	53186	17 miles	\$16,933.00 List Price	\$13,816.76
4	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	109,334	60152	62 miles	\$14,996.00 List Price	\$15,307.54
5	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	55,729	60173	65 miles	\$17,844.00 List Price	\$14,673.50
6	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2NORMAL GAS A AWD	84,567	60641	72 miles	\$17,033.00 List Price	\$15,710.16
Base Value:						\$14,538.86

Loss Vehicle Adjustments

Loss vehicle: 2017 Subaru Crosstrek | Limited 4 Door Utility 104" WB | 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas A AWD

Condition Adjustments

Condition Adjustment: **-\$324.46**

Overall Condition: **2.74-Good**

Typical Vehicle Condition: **3.00**

Category	Condition	Condition \$	Comments
Interior			
DASH/CONSOLE	2 Fair	-\$43.26	console damaged
DOORS/INTERIOR PANELS	2 Fair	-\$43.26	more than 3 gouges trunk trim
SEATS	2 Fair	-\$173.05	large tear
CARPET	2 Fair	-\$64.89	significant wear
GLASS	3 Good	\$0.00	
HEADLINER	3 Good	\$0.00	
Exterior			
PAINT	3 Good	\$0.00	
VINYL/CONVERTIBLE TOP	Typical	\$0.00	
TRIM	3 Good	\$0.00	
BODY	3 Good	\$0.00	
Mechanical			
ENGINE	3 Good	\$0.00	
TRANSMISSION	3 Good	\$0.00	
Tire	3 Good	\$0.00	10/32

Typical Vehicle Condition reflects a condition similar to the same year, make and model. Amount of wear and tear/ damage consistent with its age.

Comments:

Comparable Vehicles

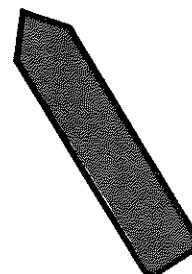
Loss vehicle: 2017 Subaru Crosstrek | Limited 4 Door Utility 104" WB | 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas A AWD

1 2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD				Sold Price: \$16,934.00	
VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle	
JF2GPANC4H8XXXXXX		05/28/2025	60195	64 miles	
Source		Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
DEALER SALE - BUILDSHEET - J.D. POWER		Mileage	110,695	66,923	-\$3,001.92
		Equipment			
		MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS	Yes	No	\$1,411.45
		MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS/EYESIGHT	No	Yes	-\$1,945.78
		POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$510.14
		Total Adjustments:			-\$4,046.39
		Adjusted Price:			\$12,887.61

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS/EYESIGHT

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)



2

2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD

List Price: \$14,708.00

VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle
JF2GPAKC9H8210523	P07984A	04/20/2025	53209	12 miles
Source	Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
DEALER WEB LISTING -	Projected Sold Adjustment			-\$439.00
BUILDSHEET - CARS.COM	Mileage	110,695	107,416	-\$190.90
BMW OF MILWAUKEE NORTH	Equipment			
5990 N GREEN BAY AVE	MOONROOF PACKAGE	Yes	No	\$1,189.32
GLENDAL WI 53209	W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS			
414-290-4200	POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$429.85
	Total Adjustments:			\$129.57
	Adjusted Price:			\$14,837.57

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)

3

2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD

List Price: \$16,933.00

VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle
JF2GPALC0H8250004	SSH561705A	04/26/2025	53186	17 miles
Source	Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
DEALER WEB LISTING -	Projected Sold Adjustment			-\$505.00
BUILDSHEET - CARS.COM	Mileage	110,695	79,120	-\$2,116.35
WILDE SUBARU	Equipment			
1710 WISCONSIN 164	POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$494.89
WAUKESHA WI 53186				
262-544-5400	Total Adjustments:			-\$3,116.24
	Adjusted Price:			\$13,816.76

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)

4	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD	List Price: \$14,996.00
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VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle
JF2GPAKC6H8228025	6864	06/14/2025	60152	62 miles

Source

DEALER WEB LISTING -
BUILDSHEET - AUTOTRADER.COM
MARENGO AUTO GROUP
844 WEST GRANT HIGHWAY
MARENGO IL 60152
815-568-1700

Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
Projected Sold Adjustment			-\$385.00
Mileage	110,695	109,334	-\$81.13
Equipment			
MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS	Yes	No	\$1,217.83
POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$440.16
Total Adjustments:			\$311.54
Adjusted Price:			\$15,307.54

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)

5	2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD	List Price: \$17,844.00
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VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle
JF2GPAKC1H8218292	SF1939XB	07/02/2025	60173	65 miles

Source

DEALER WEB LISTING -
BUILDSHEET - CARS.COM
SCHAUMBURG FORD
815 E. GOLF RD.
SCHAUMBURG IL 60173
847-605-0800

Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
Projected Sold Adjustment			-\$458.00
Mileage	110,695	55,729	-\$3,637.87
Equipment			
MOONROOF PACKAGE W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS	Yes	No	\$1,449.12
POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$523.75
Total Adjustments:			-\$3,170.50
Adjusted Price:			\$14,673.50

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)

2017 SUBARU CROSSTREK LIMITED 4D SUV 4 2 NORMAL GAS AAWD

List Price: \$17,033.00

VIN	Stock No	Listing Date	ZIP/Postal Code	Distance from Loss Vehicle
JF2GPAKC2H8217703	SU23780A	07/02/2025	60641	72 miles

Source	Adjustments	Loss Vehicle	This Vehicle	Amount
DEALER WEB LISTING - BUILDSHEET - CARS.COM	Projected Sold Adjustment			-\$437.00
BERMAN SUBARU OF CHICAGO	Mileage	110,695	84,567	-\$1,769.17
4330 W IRVING PARK RD	Equipment			
CHICAGO IL 60641	MOONROOF PACKAGE	Yes	No	\$1,383.28
773-286-6000	W/NAVIGATION/KEYLESS ACCESS			
	POPULAR PACKAGE #2	No	Yes	-\$499.95
			Total Adjustments:	-\$1,322.84
			Adjusted Price:	\$15,710.16

Comparable Vehicle Package Details:

POPULAR PACKAGE #2 (AUTO-DIMMING MIRROR W/COMPASS & HOMELINK, ALL WEATHER FLOOR MATS)

Sub-Model Comparison

Sub-Model Description	Configuration	Original MSRP
2017 Subaru Crosstrek Limited	4 Door Utility 104" WB 2.0L 4 Cyl Gas AWD	\$25,195.00

Vehicle Valuation Methodology Explanation

WorkCenter Total Loss ("WCTL") was designed and built by Mitchell International, Inc. in conjunction with J.D. Power, which is an expert in data analysis with years of experience in vehicle pricing. WCTL provides a consistent methodology across vehicle makes and models for estimating the value of a vehicle. The WCTL analysis is based on comparable vehicles that most closely resemble the loss vehicle, with certain adjustments to both the comparable vehicle and loss vehicle depending on the facts of a particular claim.

WCTL produces accurate and easy-to-understand vehicle valuations via a five-step process:

Step 1 - Locate Comparable Vehicles

Locate vehicles from WCTL's comparable vehicle database that are the closest match to the loss vehicle in the same market area. These are not intended to be replacement vehicles and may no longer be listed for sale. The comparable vehicle database includes millions of vehicles listed for sale on publicly available websites (for example, cars.com and autotrader.com), as well as sold vehicle records (where available).

Step 2 - Adjust Comparable Vehicles

Make adjustments to the prices of the comparable vehicles. There are several types of comparable vehicle adjustments, including:

- Projected Sold Adjustment - where the comparable vehicle is listed for sale, this adjustment reflects the fact that consumers typically negotiate a purchase price less than the list price. (There is no projected sold adjustment where the comparable vehicle has actual sold data, or where a vehicle is listed for sale at a "no haggle" dealership.)
- Mileage Adjustment – an adjustment for differences in mileage between the comparable vehicle and the loss vehicle.
- Equipment Adjustment – an adjustment for differences in equipment between the comparable vehicle and the loss vehicle (for example, differences in equipment packages and options).

Step 3 - Calculate Base Vehicle Value

Calculate the base vehicle value by averaging the adjusted prices of the comparable vehicles.

Step 4 - Calculate Loss Vehicle Adjustments

There are four types of loss vehicle adjustments:

- Condition Adjustment – an adjustment to account for the condition of the loss vehicle at the time of the loss.
- Prior Damage Adjustment – an adjustment to account for any prior damage present on the loss vehicle at the time of the loss.
- After Market Part Adjustment – an adjustment to account for any aftermarket parts present on the loss vehicle at the time of the loss.
- Refurbishment Adjustment – an adjustment to account for any refurbishment performed on the loss vehicle at the time of the loss.

Step 5 - Calculate the Market Value

The Market Value is calculated by applying the loss vehicle adjustments to the base value.

See 16 Photos and Videos

Pricing & Values

Prices shown for the used **2017 Subaru Crosstrek Wagon 4D Limited AWD H4** with 110695 miles are what people paid to buy this vehicle or what people received when trading in this vehicle at a dealer. Edit options.

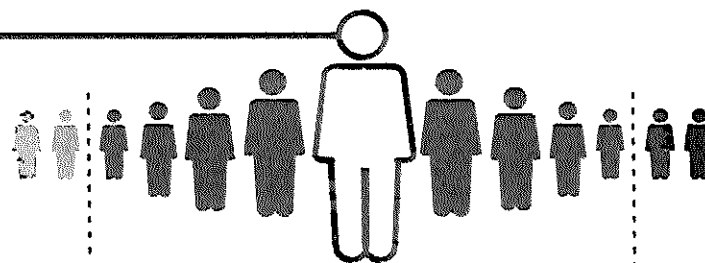
Buy from Dealer

Prices shown are what people paid including dealer discounts. Taxes and fees (title, registration, license, document, and transportation fees) are not included.

Buy from Dealer Buy Certified from Dealer ⓘ

Average Price Paid

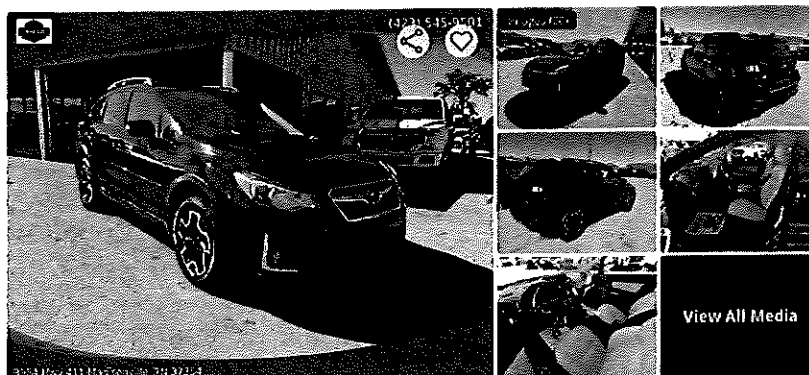
\$19,000



80% of People Paid

\$17,994 - \$20,142

Data from **116** transactions - Updated 07/27/25



\$17,988 See price and payment details

☒ Finance
\$282/mo.

Cash
\$17,988

12.16% APR for 72 mo.

Got Questions? Contact the Dealer

Subject
This Vehicle's Availability

First Name

Last Name

Email

Phone (optional)

Message
Is your Used 2017 Subaru Crosstrek 2.0i Limited listed for \$17,988 still available?

Request Info

Used 2017 Subaru Crosstrek 2.0i Limited

Well-Equipped Vehicle ①

95,864 miles

2.0L 4-Cylinder Gas Engine

26 City / 33 Highway ①

Black Exterior

Gray Leather Seats

Continuously Variable Automatic Transmission

All wheel drive



Ivory Leather Seats
Continuously Variable Automatic Transmission
All wheel drive

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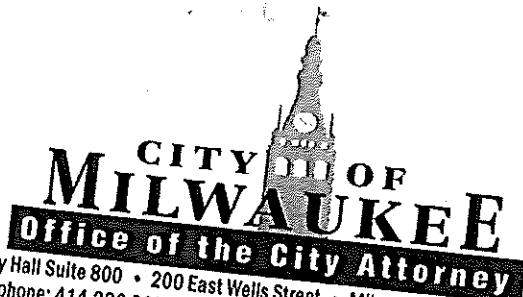






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April 21, 2026

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RE: C.I. File No. 2025-001748
Communication from Attorney Daniel J. Schneider on behalf of
MICHAEL DUPAR

Dear Attorney Schneider:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$3,506.45, submitted on behalf of your client for damages arising from a loss that occurred on July 9, 2005.

Forestry Department records indicate that on July 9, 2005, a crew responded to a report of a fallen branch from a 26" Honey locust tree near the intersection of South Wentworth Avenue and East Meredith Street. The branch, which caused damage to two parked vehicles, was alive with no evidence of decay at the failure point.

On July 9, 2005, Milwaukee experienced a severe weather event, including 0.28 inches of rainfall and wind gust speeds of 23 mph, resulting in 53 reports of downed trees and branches. Trees in this area are maintained on a routine pruning cycle, with the last pruning completed in Spring 2022. Forestry records from 2018 to current, show two prior service requests for this location: one in October 2022 for pruning dead branches, and another on June 23, 2025, for a broken branch down and vehicle damage. Following a June inspection prompted by the reported fallen branch and vehicle damage, the tree was scheduled for deadwood pruning. However, the specific branch that failed on July 9, 2005, was alive at the time and therefore would not have been removed during that scheduled maintenance.

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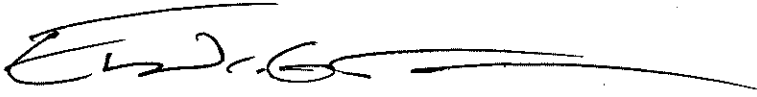


Daniel Schneider, Esq.
April 21, 2026
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There is no evidence that the City was negligent in this matter. As such, the City would not be liable. Therefore, we are denying your claim

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,



EVAN C. GOYKE
City Attorney



CRISTAL CRUZ
Claim Investigator Adjuster

ECG/CEC/cdr

2025-001748/



Department of Public Works
Operations Division

Jerrel Kruschke, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works

Danielle A. Rodriguez, M.B.A.
Director of Operations

February 24, 2026

Mr. Evan Goyke, City Attorney
Office of the City Attorney
City Hall, Suite 800

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Re: C.I. File No. 2025-001748
Communication from MICHAEL DUPAR

Dear Mr. Goyke,

At the request of your office, the Forestry Section has investigated the above referenced claim for damage. In this matter the claimant alleges that on July 9, 2025, a branch from a city tree fell on their vehicle parked at 2954 S Wentworth Ave, causing damage.

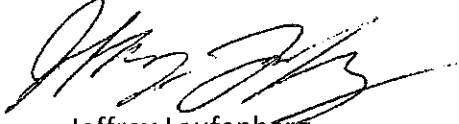
After careful review of this matter, the Forestry Section finds as follows:

- On July 9, 2025, the Forestry Section was notified of a tree down that was blocking the intersection of S. Wentworth Ave and E Meredith St. A Forestry emergency crew responded to the location and found a large branch from a city tree had fallen into the road, causing damage to 2 parked vehicles. The branch was removed, a damage report was completed, pictures taken and information was left with the owner.
- The subject tree was a 26" honeylocust tree that to be in good health. The branch that failed was alive and there was no evidence of decay at the point of failure.
- On July 8, 2025, the City of Milwaukee experienced a severe thunderstorm event with 0.28" of rainfall, peak wind gusts of 23 MPH and sustained speeds of 17 MPH as reported at General Mitchell International.
- The Forestry Section responded to 53 calls for downed trees and broken branches city-wide over the 2 days.
- The pruning or inspection of trees within quarter section 503 (the management unit encompassing the subject tree) was completed in spring of 2022.
- Service request history was reviewed for this address going back to July of 2018. There were 2 other Forestry related service requests for the tree at this address. One was from October of 2022 for a request pruning of dead branches which was added to the request pruning list for that fall. The other was from June 23, 2025 for tree damage due to a broken branch. An emergency crew responded that day but no damage was

reported. The tree was also inspected and written up for additional deadwood pruning to be completed. The branch failure in question happened prior to this work being completed, however the branch that failed was not dead and would likely not been pruned as part of this work.

Enclosed are the damage report and pictures taken, weather report from NOAA, work records and referenced service request. If you have any additional questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (414) 708-9351.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey Laufenberg', written over a horizontal line.

Jeffrey Laufenberg
Urban Forestry District Manager

PROPERTY DAMAGE INCIDENT REPORT

Date, Day & Time: 7/9/25 Wednesday 2:00 AM
 Address where damage occurred: 2958 S Wentworth Ave
 Damage to: 1) Motor Vehicle: Make Subaru Crossback Year _____ License Plate 621 TYB
 2) Property: Type _____
 Description of Damage: Extensive damage to windshield and hood panel, lots of other surface damage branch landed directly on vehicle
 Property Owner's Name: Mike Dupar
 Address: 2955 S Wentworth Ave
 Phone Number: Home: ~~414-364-1083~~ 414-364-4903
 Damage Claim Information Sheet Provided to Owner? : (circle one) Yes No

Storm Damaged Tree Assessment

Tree Species: Honey locust DBH: 26" Approximate Height: 50 ft
 Address/Location of Tree: _____

OVERALL TREE HEALTH (Circle OBSERVED conditions only)

Vigor: Low Normal High Crown Density: Sparse Normal
 Crown/Branches: Unbalanced/Over-extended branches Cracks visible Decay visible
 Trunk Condition: Decay Cavity Co-dominant Stem Included Bark
 Roots and Root Collar: Abnormal Root Flare Stem Girdling Root Decay/Fungi visible

STORM DAMAGE (circle one for each factor)

Size of the failed portion of tree: Diameter: 14" Length: 30 ft
 Is failed tree or limb alive? Yes No Is decay evident at point of failure? Yes No
 Is decay visible from outside the tree? Yes No Was tree uprooted? Yes No
 Is there evidence of recent construction? Yes No

If yes contact Construction Technician for clarification on nature and extent of work at this site.

Construction Type: Roadway Curb/Gutter Sidewalk Utility Other Year: _____
 Recommend a higher level inspection? Yes No Level II or LEVEL III (circle one)

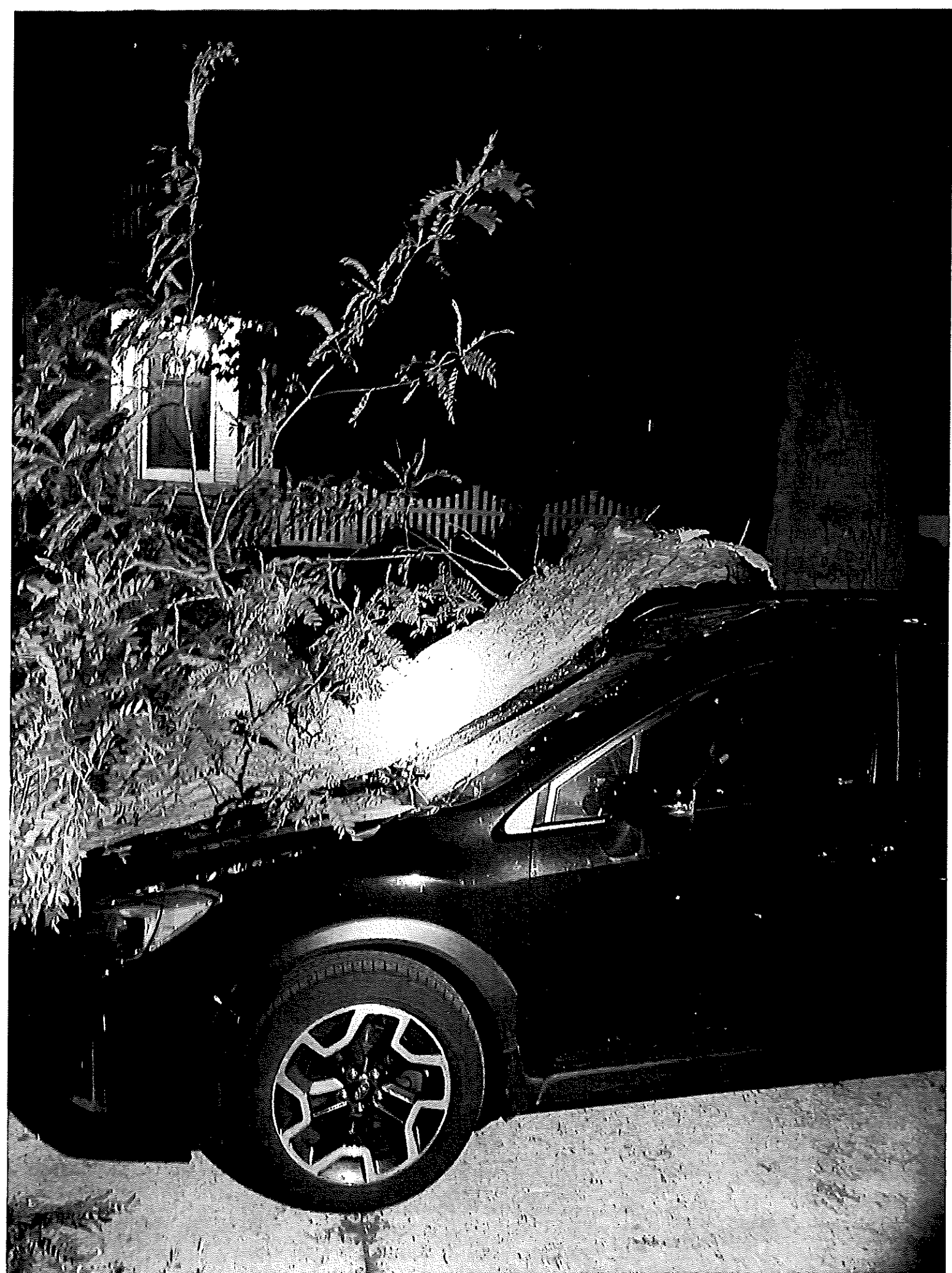
HISTORY OF SITE/TREE

Previous failures observed or reported via service request: _____
 Last completed prune: _____ Next scheduled prune: _____
 Attached weather data report from NOAA: Yes No
 Remarks: Tree is healthy

Photographs Taken By: Hansen Date: 7/9/25
 Report By: Hansen Title: crew leader

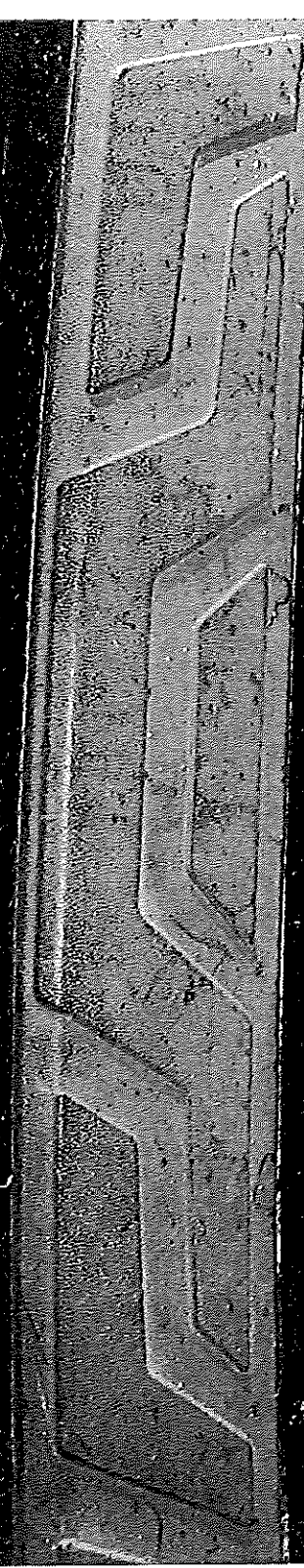
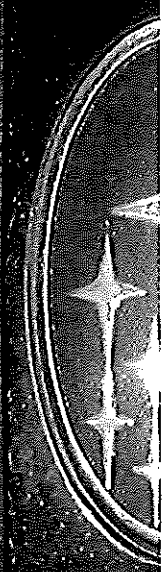
(Pictures should clearly show property damaged and location (address), failure point and tree/branch portion that failed)







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Address: 2958 S WENTWORTH AV
alled In By: JASON NA
Phone No.: H:(805)458-0374
Ald Dist: 14
Complaint: Tree down



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Qsec 503

ASR# 0 Route: SG3-

MPD DISPATCH CALLED TO REPORT TREE DOWN
LOCKING INTERSECTION OF WENTWORTH AND
MEREDITH DID NOT HAVE ANYMORE
DETAILS CONTACTED ON CALL

Disposition and date work will be done: _____

on call responded

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Address: 2954 S WENTWORTH AV
Called In By: Michael Pena
Phone No.: H:(262)930-1672
Ald Dist: 14
Complaint: Tree damage



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Qsec 503

Large branch broke and then a few minutes later fell on car. Appears that the top area of the tree is dead and needs pruning. Outside position and date work will be done. of 2954 S Wentworth Ave middle of the street.

Gave to 337. Also printed and sent to pruning

evaluation.TREE WILL BE PRUNED FOR MAJOR DEADWOOD AS

SCHEDULING ALLOWS

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Address: 2953 S WENTWORTH AV
lled In By: Tim Bossy
Phone No.: H:(630)835-8099
Ald Dist: 14
Complaint: Trim tree



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Qsec 503

Honey Locust tree in front of our house (2954
S Wentworth Ave) has several dead branches
that need to be removed. One smaller branch
position and date work will be done.
(10' long) is caught on a lower branch and may
fall on the sidewalk or the street during the
next storm.

Will be pruned when scheduling allows. Added to queue

10-27-22.

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Fo - 111 R 10/98

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Details

BBD on Car

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2954 S WENTWORTH AV

High Priority

Due: June 23, 2025

Dispatcher: Sommer, Lisa

● Completed **37** 26337 26337

Created: June 23, 2025, 12:53 PM by Sommer, Lisa

Completed: June 23, 2025, 1:26 PM

ID: 5325914

Notes

No damage

Attachments

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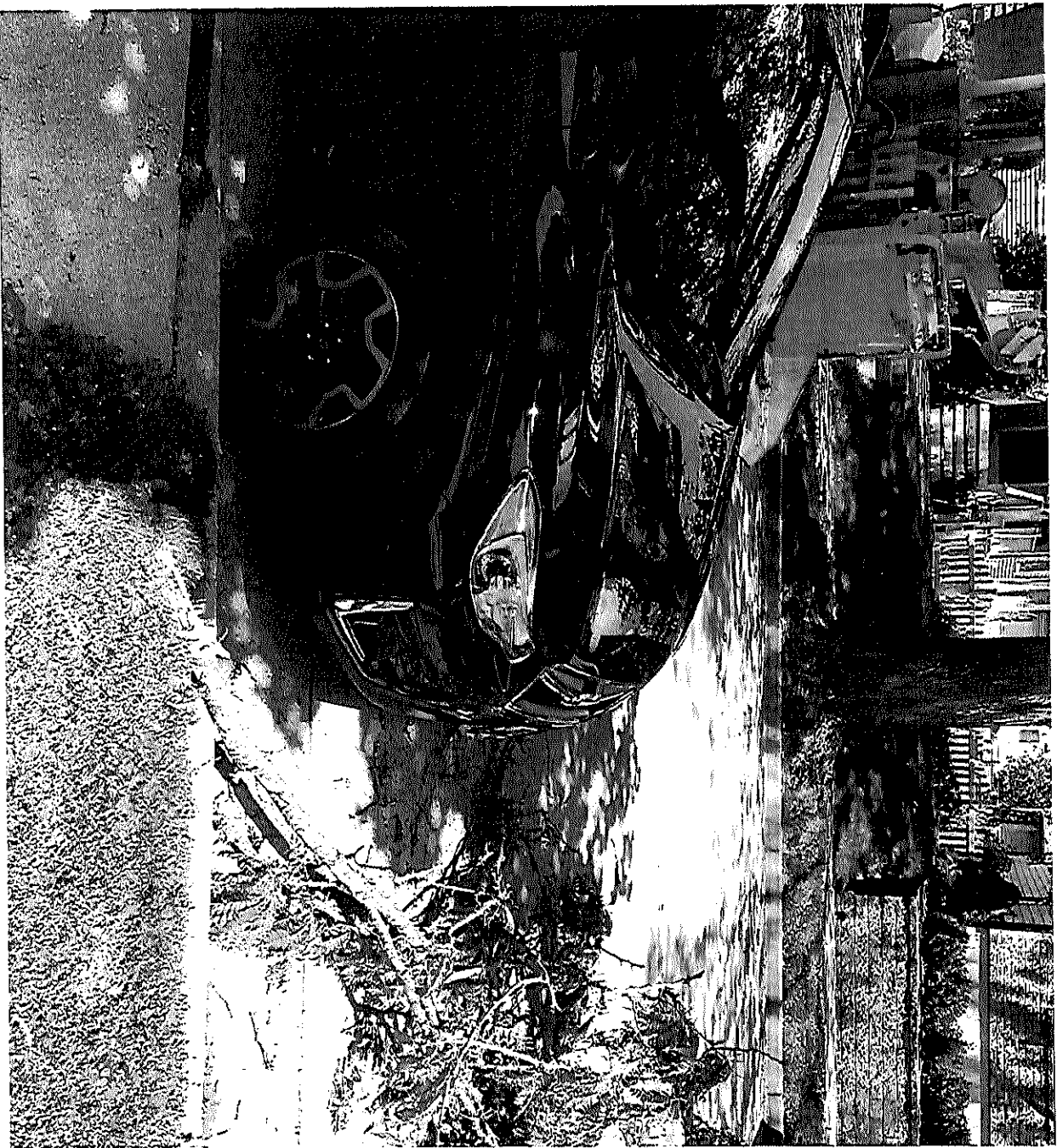
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