

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL
REQUEST**

October 2013

Date: 9/19/13

Requested by: Denise and Randall Maginn

Address: 154 Romaine Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Location of Tree: 154 Romaine Dr. (Baldwin side)

Tree Species: Araucaria columnaris *Common Name:* Star Pine

Zoning/Setback: E – 3/SD-2 20'-10' Setback

Reason for Removal: Leaning badly. Ready to fall.

Proposed Replacement: Yes No

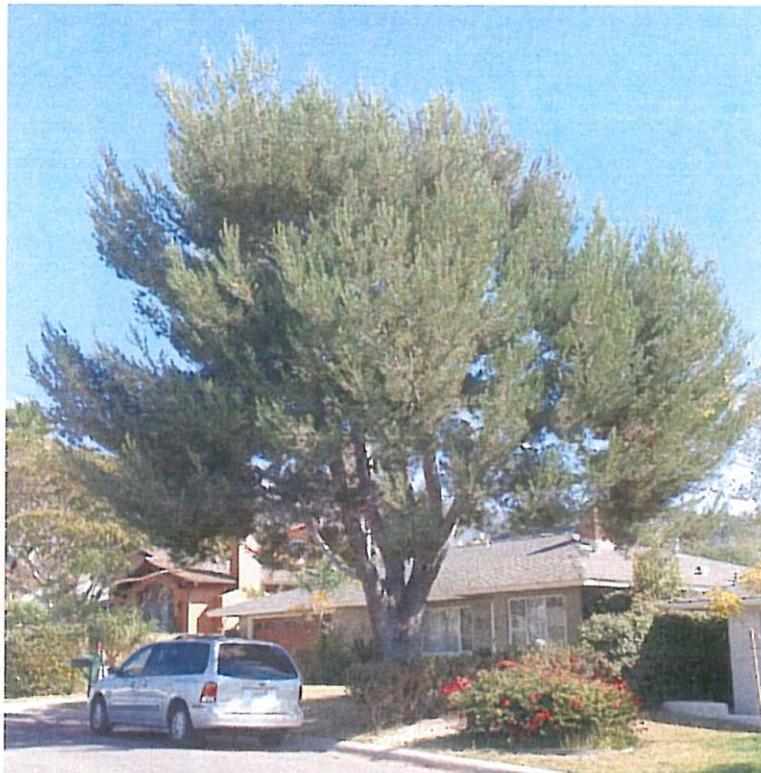
Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Date Posted:

Comments:

PHOTO INVENTORY





City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation Department

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

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PARK & RECREATION
PARKS DIVISION

~~STREET~~ TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION

Setback

Mailing Address:
PO Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102
(805) 564-5433 FAX (805) 897-2524

Office Address:
402 E. Ortega St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Application Fee: \$50 (effective July 1, 2010)

DATE OF REQUEST:	08/26/2013
APPLICANT:	Denise & Randall Maginn
ADJACENT OWNER NAME: (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT)	
MAILING/EMAIL ADDRESS:	154 Romaine Dr.
DAYTIME PHONE:	805-682-8271
TREE LOCATION (ADDRESS):	154 Romaine Dr. (Baldwin side)
TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN):	Star Pine
REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL:	Leaning Badly. Ready to fall.

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Property owner letter, indicating reasons for removal. Also include whether:
 - a. The removal application is associated with new development or redevelopment of property
 - b. Status of development application, including whether the project is scheduled for review by the Single Family Design Board, Architectural Board of Review or Historic Landmarks Commission
 - c. The tree is a designated Specimen or Historic Tree
2. Photo of tree(s) proposed for removal
3. Development plan/Landscape plan

To whom it may concern:

As you can see in the photo that I have provided, this tree is about ready to fall. It started leaning drastically in the last month or so and needless to say, it has me worried. With the anticipated rainy season approaching, that could be the catalyst that brings this tree down. You can see the potential danger that is present. Our garage, car, and potentially part of our house will be destroyed. Moreover, the garage contains one new car. All would be total losses.

The tree is neither historic, nor a designated specimen, as far as I can tell. It is situated in the middle of a rose garden, so not much will be needed to replace it. We are going to add a pigmy date palm in its place. That doesn't grow that tall and we won't have to worry about this kind of problem in the future.

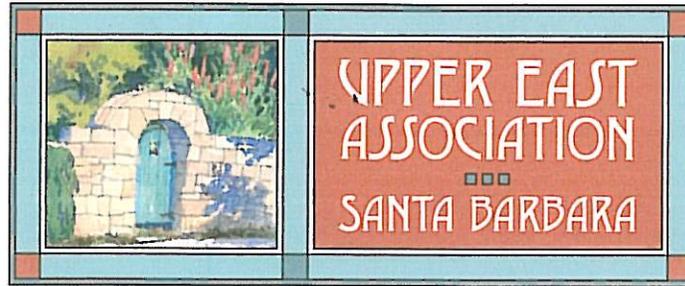
Any help you can give us in moving this along quickly would surely be appreciated. I have mailed the \$50 application fee in.

Thank you for your consideration,

Randall Maginn/Denise Maginn



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August 19, 2013

City of Santa Barbara
Forestry Division
Street Tree Advisory Committee (STAC)
Attn. Mr. Tim Downey

Subject: Urban Forest Master Plan; Street Tree Master Plan Comments with Recommended Species Designation Changes

Dear Mr. Downey,

As part of Upper East Association (UEA) activities, we hosted a 'walkabout' on July 17th. This walk was well-attended (47 people). I am passing on the following recommendations that were compiled by the Upper East Association under guidance of Upper East member and landscape architect Grant Castleberg who led the walk from Padre Street to Constance Avenue and along Garden Street to Los Olivos Street.

Therefore, we request STAC's consideration of the following changes or modifications of the approved street tree species designated by the City for the following areas:

2100 block of Santa Barbara Street request change to *Arecastrum romanzoffianum*.

Rationale for Change. The street tree designated in the 1977 Master Plan for the 2100 block of Santa Barbara Street where the Church of Latter Day Saints is located is *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*, commonly known as King Palm. However, *Arecastrum romanzoffianum*, commonly known as Queen Palm, actually exist.

2200 block of Santa Barbara Street request addition of oak tree species.

Rationale for Change. Several oaks (cork, white, holly & quercus) exist in the 2200 block therefore we request that oak trees be added to the approved street tree list.

2300-2400 blocks of Santa Barbara Street request deletion of *Chorisa speciosa*.

Rationale for Change. Santa Barbara Street is continuous to Constance Avenue in this area, with a short spur to 200 block of East Junipero Street. There is a mix of approved street trees, *Chorisa speciosa*, Red Flowering Gum, and Camphor Tree. Junipero Street is listed for *Melaleuca genistifolia*.

Chorisa speciosa is known for its spiked bark which neighbors find unsightly and unsafe. The tree only loses its thorns upon maturity or in approximately 100 years. At maturity, the tree has a large circumference and its roots break up adjacent sidewalks. One of these street trees is dying at 2525 Santa Barbara Street.

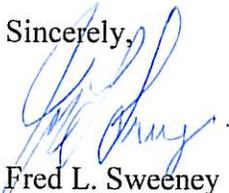
Residents of 200 block of East Junipero between Santa Barbara & Garden Street request clarification that there is no approved street tree in that block, since there are no sidewalk or medians. If that is not possible, they request that the street tree be olive since that is what primarily exists in the area.

2200-2400 blocks of Garden Street (west side) request removal of existing Kaffir Plums.

Rationale for Change. Kaffir plums are not on the City's approved tree list. They drop their fruits on the sidewalk making it slippery and creating a hazard to pedestrians. We request that the existing Kaffir Plum trees be removed over time and replaced with Evergreen Pear, the approved street tree.

Please include our comments in the updated Urban Forest Master Plan. Grant Castleberg is available to present these comments at any upcoming STAC meeting, if that would be the most expedient way to change the species designation.

Sincerely,



Fred L. Sweeney
President, Upper East Association Board

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City of Santa Barbara
FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT

October 2013

**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 2100 block of Santa Barbara St.

Present Species Designation: Archontophoenix cunninghamiana, King Palm

Proposed Change to: Consider change to Arecastrum

Existing Species Profile: Syagrus romanzoffianum, Queen Palm

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION
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Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action:



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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 2200 block of Santa Barbara St.

Present Species Designation: Acer oblongum, Evergreen Maple

Proposed Change to: Request addition of Oak tree species

Existing Species Profile: Archontophoenix cunninghamiana, King Palm, Quercus virginiana,
Southern Live Oak.

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter.

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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 2300-2400 blocks of Santa Barbara St.

Present Species Designation: *Chorisia speciosa*, Silk-Floss Tree

Proposed Change to: Request deletion of *Chorisia*

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter.

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Change Denied:

Date of Action:



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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 2200-2400 blocks of Garden St. (Westside)

Present Species Designation: Acer oblongum, Evergreen Maple

Proposed Change to: Request removal of existing Kaffir Plums

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter.

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Change Denied:

Date of Action:



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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 200 block of E. Junipero St.

Present Species Designation: *Melaleuca genistifolia*

Proposed Change to: Request addition of Olive tree species

Existing Species Profile: *Olea europaea*, Olive, *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter.

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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 500-900 blocks of W. Valerio St.

Present Species Designation: Tipuana tipu, Tipu, Jacaranda mimosifolia, Jacaranda

Proposed Change to: Request addition of Cedrela fissilis, Brazilian Cedar Wood

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: Staff

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Change Denied:

Date of Action:



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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 1100-1900 blocks of Gillespie St.

Present Species Designation: *Koelreuteria bipinnata*, Chinese Flame Tree

Proposed Change to: Request addition of *Pistacia chinensis*, Chinese Pistache

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: Staff

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Change Denied:

Date of Action:



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**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

October 2013,
postponed from
September 2013

Date: 8/20/13

Location: All of Samarkand Dr. (request was for 300 block)

Present Species Designation: Lophostemon (Tristania) confertus, Brisbane Box

Proposed Change to: Stenocarpus sinuatus, Firewheel Tree

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: Request to add a new co-designation.

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION
PHOTO INVENTORY**

Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action:

9/23/13

Dear Jim and Advisory Committee,

This is a follow up letter requesting that my new street trees be *Stenocarpus Sinuatus* (firewheel tree) instead of the designated Brisbane Box or Queen Palm.

Enclosed are pictures of the street area two doors from my home. Thousands of Brisbane Box fruit find their way to the sidewalk and are a pedestrian hazard. The Queen Palms resemble telephone poles.

I have removed all backyard grass to conserve water. My small green area in the front of my home is important to me and I will take good care of the new trees. Please consider my request.

With appreciation,

Janice Ruston
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Santa Barbara, Ca.

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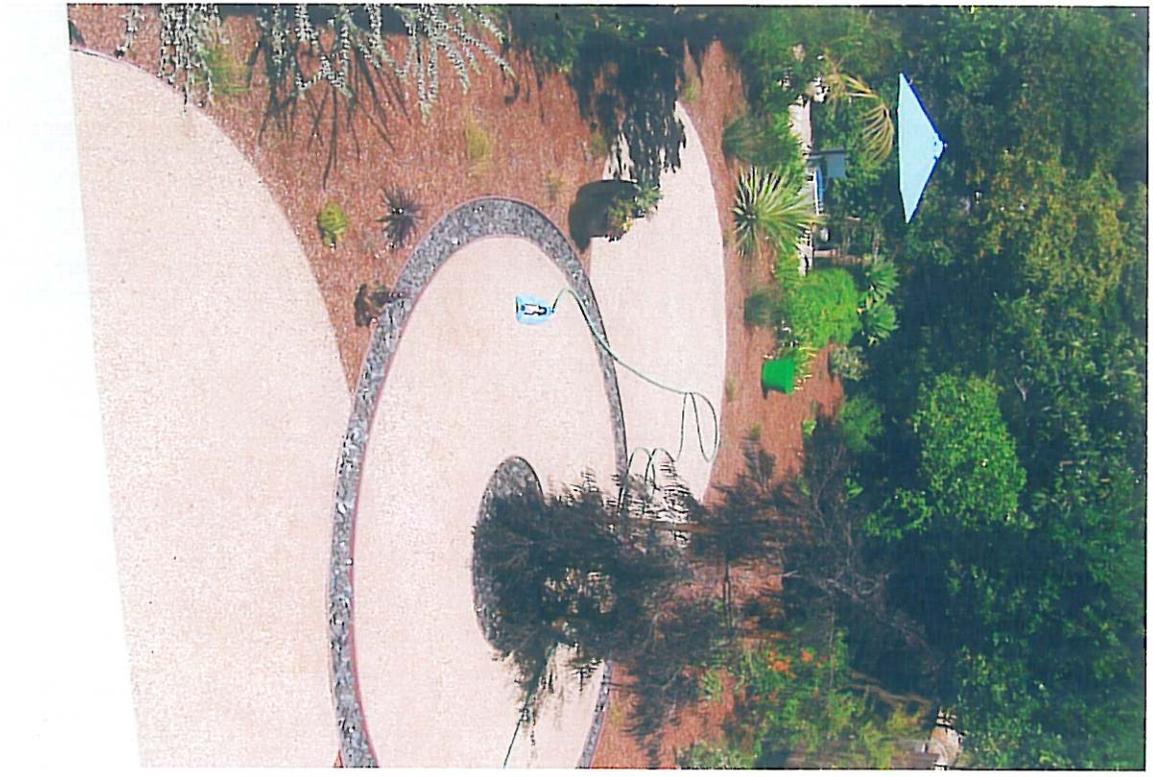
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King Palm looks like a telephone pole.



Javico Ristold - 310 Samar Road Br.
No grass and low water use plants



310 Samarkand Dr.

