



## CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

### PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** April 23, 2008  
**TO:** Park and Recreation Commission  
**FROM:** Parks Division, Parks and Recreation Department  
**SUBJECT:** Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Commission:

A. Approve the following Street Tree removal request.

1. 515 N. Quarantina St. – Robert A. Toscan – (2) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palms

Justification: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission approve the removal of (2) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palms. The Committee and staff determined the space was too tight for the two palm trees, the three gas utility boxes, the Edison vault, Edison pole, and a water meter. The Committee and staff noticed there was plenty of room for planting in the 500 block of Quarantina St. and recommend the Commission approve the removals on the condition 3 Prickly Melaleuca replacement trees be planted in available spaces within the 500 block.

B. Deny the following Street Tree removal requests.

1. 2903 Verde Vista Dr. – Dennis Morelli – *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda

Justification: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee and staff determined the tree is healthy and that the reasons for removal are not valid and do not justify removal.

2. 204 E. Gutierrez St. – Robert Lee Sorg – *Melaleuca styphelioides*, Prickly Melaleuca

Justification: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee and staff determined the tree is healthy and that the reasons for removal are not valid and do not justify removal.

C. Deny the following Setback Tree removal request.

1. 1314 La Cima Rd. – Gibson Wolfe – *Pinus canariensis*, Canary Island Pine

Justification: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission deny removal. The Committee and staff determined the tree is a significant skyline tree and that the reasons for removal are not valid and do not justify the removal.

- ATTACHMENTS:**
1. 515 N. Quarantina St.
  2. 2903 Verde Vista Dr.
  3. 204 E. Gutierrez St.
  4. 1314 La Cima Rd.

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