AGENDA DATE: October 28, 2009

TO: Park and Recreation Commission

FROM: Parks Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission:


The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission continue this request until the applicant can provide a landscape and an elevation plan for the property. The plans are needed so that the STAC can determine whether replacement trees are appropriate.

B. Approve the Setback Tree removal request for 918 Garcia Rd. – Paul Suitch/Geoff Grow – Erythrina caffra, Kaffirboom Coral Tree

The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition that a replacement tree is planted that can get as large as the current tree. The new tree could then be kept trimmed so that fire access can be maintained.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. 421 N. Milpas St.
2. 918 Garcia Rd.

PREPARED BY: Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

SUBMITTED BY: Jill E. Zachary, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

APPROVED BY: Nancy L. Rapp, Parks and Recreation Director

Agenda Item: 4
Date: 9/16/09

Requested by: Darrell Becker

Address: 421 N. Milpas St., Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Location of Tree: 421 N. Milpas St.

Tree Species: (1) Juniperus chinensis 'Torulosa' Common Name: Hollywood Juniper
(1) Thuja orientalis

Oriental Arborvitae

Requested Reason for Removal: Owner would like to replace existing trees with 2 street trees.

Species recommended by the Approved Plan: Melaleuca styphelioides, Prickly Melaleuca

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: ☑ Deny Removal: □ Postpone Removal: ☒

Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: □ Deny Removal: □ Postpone Removal: ☒

Date Posted: 10/19/09

Comments: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission continue this request until the applicant can provide a landscape, and an elevation plan for the property. The plans are needed so that STAC can determine whether replacement trees are appropriate.
**TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION – STREET TREE**

**APPLICANT:**

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**TREE INFORMATION:**

| TREE LOCATION (Address): | 421 N. Milpas St. |
| TREE SPECIES (If Known): | 1- Thuja orientalis, 1- Juniperus chinensis |
| REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL: | Owner would like to replace existing trees with 2 street trees. |

**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

- PROPERTY OWNER LETTER OR PHOTO INCLUDED: **X**
- PROPERTY OWNER WILL PAY FOR REMOVAL AND/OR REPLACEMENT COSTS?: **YES**
- OWNER REQUEST FOR CITY TO PAY FOR REMOVAL AND/OR REPLACEMENT COSTS?: **NO**

**CITY PARKS COMMISSION PARKWAY TREE REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT POLICY**

Whenever a property owner desires to have a tree removed from a planting strip, the applicant shall apply to the Parks and Recreation Department for approval. If the tree is found to be in good condition and the removal request is granted solely for the convenience of the applicant, the full cost of such removal and replacement shall be borne by the applicant. If the removal is determined to be necessary for safety or the management of the urban forest resource, the City will assume the responsibility for all removal and replacement costs the tree removal will then be scheduled accordingly to other pending priorities. The approval process will take approximatly up to 60 days.

**APPEAL PROCESS FOR TREE REMOVAL**

Should you desire to appeal the Park Commission action denying your tree removal request to the City Council, a written notice thereof must be filed within 10 days of the commission action. The appeal notice can be either hand delivered to the Clerk’s Office at City Hall, or mailed to the City Clerk at P.O. Box 1990, Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990. A check made payable to the City of Santa Barbara in the amount of $300 must accompany your appeal as an appeal processing fee, per City Council resolution.
Date: 8/26/09
Requested by: Paul Stutch/Geoff Grow
Address: 918 Garcia Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93103
Location of Tree: 918 Garcia Rd.
Tree Species: Erythrina caffra  Common Name: Kaffirboom Coral Tree
Zoning/Setback: E – 1 Zoning 30' Setback
Property Owner will pay removal / replacement cost: ☑
Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: ☑  Deny Removal: ☐
Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: ☑  Deny Removal: ☐
Date Posted: 10/19/09
Comments: The Committee and staff recommend that the Commission approve the removal on the condition that a replacement tree is planted that can get as large as the current tree. The new tree could then be kept trimmed so that fire access can be maintained.

PHOTO INVENTORY
Front Yard 918 Garcia Rd. 10-28-09 Attachment 2
City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation Department

P.O. Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102
(805) 564-5434  FAX (805) 897-2524

TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION – FRONT YARD SETBACK

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TREE INFORMATION:

| LOCATION OF TREE (ADDRESS): | 918 Garcia Rd, Santa Barbara |
| TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN): | Erythrina (Coral Tree) |
| REASONS FOR REMOVAL: | High Fire Hazard Area, Muni Code 8.04 |
|                         | Dangerous Fire Ladder |
| TREE(S) WILL BE REPLACED: | YES | NO |

SUPPLEMENTAL - PROPERTY OWNER LETTER OR PHOTO INCLUDED [Y]

CITY PARKS COMMISSION SETBACK TREE REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT POLICY

Whenever a property owner desires to remove a tree located in the zoning setback from the street, the applicant shall apply to the Parks and Recreation Department for a removal permit. If the removal request is approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission the full cost of such removal and replacement, if required, shall be borne by the applicant. The approval process will take approximately 30-45 days.

APPEAL: CITY OF SANTA BARBARA, PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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View to SE from 921 Garcia Road

Tree touching house

Crown of *Erythrina* too large for safe pruning. Trimming at this line will compromise health of tree.

Estimated 25 ft. Rooftop space

Improper Street Clearance