AGENDA DATE: June 24, 2009

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 Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 921 Arbolado Rd. – Ron Chandler/Peterson’s Tree Care – (2) Liquidambar styraciflua, American Sweetgum, (2) Pinus radiata, Monterey Pine, and (1) Cupressus glabra, Arizona Cypress

   The Committee (3/0) and staff recommend that the Commission approve the removals on the condition the applicant remove 1 other Liquidambar tree and 3 Pittosporum shrubs.

2. 2050 Garden St. – Kris E. Kimpel, Landscape Architect for Melanie Ellison – Cinnamomum camphora, Camphor Tree

   The Committee (3/0) and staff recommend that the Commission approve the removal with the condition another historically suitable tree be planted in the setback; species to be determined by Historic Landmark Commission.

B. Deny the following Setback Tree removal request.

1. 102 E. Pueblo St. – Melville Sahyun – Pinus pinea, Italian Stone Pine

   The Committee (3/0) and staff recommend that the Commission deny the removal request. The Committee and staff determined the reasons for removal do not justify the removal.

2. 621 Ricardo Ave. – David Murphy – Washingtonia robusta, Mexican Fan Palm

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The Committee (3/0) and staff recommend that the Commission deny the removal request. The Committee and staff determined the tree is healthy, and the reasons are not sufficient to justify removal.

ATTACHMENTS:  
1. 921 Arbolado Rd.  
2. 2050 Garden St.  
3. 102 E. Pueblo St.  
4. 621 Ricardo Ave.

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