



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

AGENDA DATE: May 23, 2012

TO: Parks 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. 3000 – 4000 blocks of La Colina Rd. – (1) *Pyrus kawakamii*, Evergreen Pear, (8) *Liquidambar styraciflua*, American Sweetgum – Keith Bazzell, Senior Engineering Technician

The Public Works Department is proposing a project in the 3900 – 4000 blocks of La Colina Road. The project will install sidewalks and handicap access ramps where none currently exist in the area of two schools. The project, if approved by the Architectural Board of Review, will require the removal of up to nine street trees. Four of the trees will be evaluated for removal at the time of construction. The project includes replacement trees.

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removals and replacements as proposed.

B. Conditionally approve the following Street Tree removal request.

1. 457- 459 Hope Ave. – (2) *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the relocation of both trees on the condition that, at the time of the replanting, City staff ensures the viability of the transplant; and if not deemed viable, the trees are replaced with 48" box Jacarandas.

C. Conditionally approve the following Setback Tree removal request.

1. 1545 La Vista Del Oceano – (2) *Sequoia sempervirens*, Coast Redwood – Connard C. Hogan

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve the removals on the condition that the applicant works with City staff to determine a suitable

replacement tree. The Committee determined the trees are too large for the area they are planted in.

D. Approve the following Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 920 Camino Viejo Rd. – (1) Quercus agrifolia, Coast Live Oak, (3) Pinus radiata, Monterey Pine – Tom Bortolazzo, Authorized Agent/General Contractor for Maria and Mark Dworsky

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve all four removals based on the poor condition of the trees.

2. 816 W. Victoria St. – Araucaria spp., Star Pine – Sally Glasgow

The Committee's motion failed due to a tie vote. Staff recommends the Commission approve the removal. Staff determined the poor structure of the tree makes removal prudent.

- ATTACHMENTS:**
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 2. 457 – 459 Hope Ave.
 3. 1545 La Vista Del Oceano
 4. 920 Camino Viejo Rd.
 5. 816 W. Victoria St.

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