



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT**

**AGENDA DATE:** February 22, 2017  
**TO:** Parks and Recreation Commission  
**FROM:** Parks Division, Parks and Recreation Department  
**SUBJECT:** Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendations

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Commission:

A. Conditionally approve the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 1533 Crestline Dr. – *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – Kathryn McGill

The Committee (4/0) recommends approval on the condition the applicant replace with a tree that can accommodate the proposed drought tolerant landscaping and can achieve a height of 25 feet or more.

B. Deny the following Setback Tree removal requests:

1. 1401 Manitou Rd. – *Quercus agrifolia*, Coast Live Oak – Whitney McMullen and Christian Cole

The Committee (4/0) recommends that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee commented that a retaining wall could be built to hold the soil while preserving the tree.

2. 433 Foxen Dr. – *Liquidambar styraciflua*, American Sweetgum – Alan Kuhn

The Committee (4/0) recommends that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee commented that the landscape design could be modified to accommodate the tree. After the Committee met, the applicant sent a follow-up email expressing additional concern that the tree might cause damage to the sewer line. Staff reviewed the location of the sewer line for this property and determined the line is well away from the tree. Staff supports the Committee's recommendation.

C. Approve the following changes to the Street Tree Master Plan:

1. 900 block of Indio Muerto St. – Designation of species

The Committee (3/0) recommends that the Commission approve *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm; *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree; and *Corymbia ficifolia*, Red Flowering Gum, (only in the planter proposed at the road terminus near the freeway), as the co-designated street tree species for the 900 block of Indio Muerto St.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. 1533 Crestline Dr.
2. 1401 Manitou Rd.
3. 433 Foxen Dr.
4. 900 block of Indio Muerto St.

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