



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

AGENDA DATE: May 23, 2018
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 Setback Tree removal request:

1. 3645 San Jose Ln. – *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm – Ernesteen Eberhardt

The Committee recommends that the Commission approve removal of the palm, but not for the reasons supplied by the applicant. Rather, the Committee determined the tree seems out of place in the neighborhood, and the removal would not materially affect the neighborhood with respect to forestation.

B. Deny the following Setback Tree removal request:

1. 242 La Vista Grande Dr. – *Eucalyptus spp.*, Eucalyptus – Cynthia and Ted Martin

The Committee recommends that the Commission deny the removal. The Committee determined the reasons provided by the applicant are insufficient to justify removal. The Committee determined the underbrush is insufficient to create a fire ladder to the tree, and the tree does not show signs that it is likely to fall.

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

1. 3400-3700 Modoc Rd. – consider additional species – Bob Cunningham

The Committee recommends that the Commission add *Lyonothamnus floribundus asplendfolius*, Ironwood, as co-designated tree for the 3400-3700 stretch of Modoc Rd. The Committee commented that they encourage staff to use other trees such as *Aesculus californica*, California Buckeye, and *Corymbia ficifolia*, Red Flowering Gum, in other areas within the project.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 3645 San Jose Ln.
2. 242 La Vista Grande Dr.
3. 3400-3700 Modoc Rd.

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