

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL
REQUEST**

December 2013

Date: 11/3/13

Requested by: Valerie Villa

Address: 3940 Maricopa Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Location of Tree: 3940 Maricopa Dr.

Tree Species: *Pinus halepensis* *Common Name:* Aleppo Pine

Zoning/Setback: E – 3/SD-2 20'/10' Setback

Reason for Removal: Tearing up walkway, too large to allow planting other trees and fencing in yard.

Proposed Replacement: Yes No

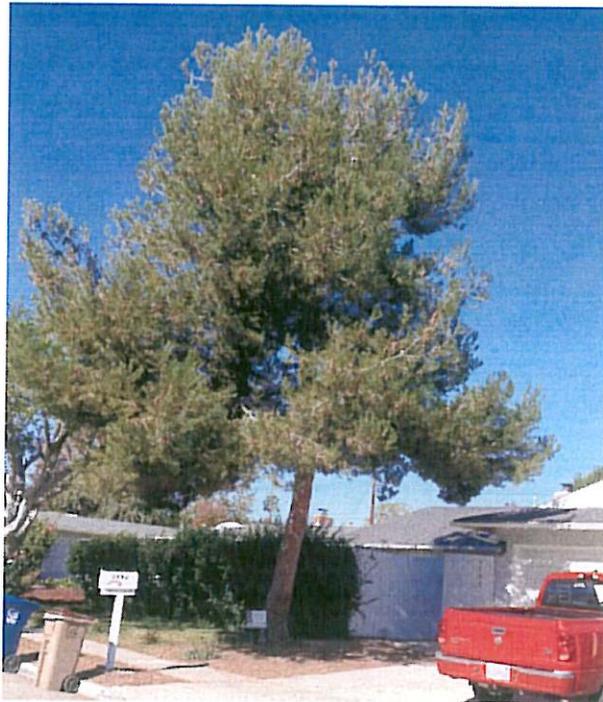
Advisory Committee Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Staff Recommendation: Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Date Posted:

Comments:

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City of Santa Barbara
Parks and Recreation Department

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PARK & RECREATION
PARKS DIVISION

SETBACK TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION

Mailing Address:
PO Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102
(805) 564-5433 FAX (805) 897-2524

Physical Address:
402 E. Ortega St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Application Fee: \$50 (effective July 1, 2010)

DATE OF REQUEST:	11-3-13
APPLICANT:	Valerie Villa
OWNER NAME (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT):	
MAILING/EMAIL ADDRESS:	3940 Maricopa Drive, Santa Barbara
DAYTIME PHONE:	805-770-7854
LOCATION OF TREE (ADDRESS):	Left of driveway
TREE SPECIES (IF KNOWN):	Pine
REASON(S) FOR REMOVAL:	Tearing up driveway, too large to allow us to plant other trees and fence in yard
TREE(S) WILL BE REPLACED:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With: Japanese Maples No <input type="checkbox"/>

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

- Property owner letter, indicating reasons for removal. Also include whether:
 - The removal application is associated with new development or redevelopment of property
 - Status of development application, including whether the project is scheduled for review by the Single Family Design Board, Architectural Board of Review or Historic Landmarks Commission
 - The tree is a designated Specimen or Historic Tree or located on a property with a designated Historic Landmark
- Photo of tree(s) proposed for removal
- Development plan/Landscape plan

Herrera, Patricia

From: Villaatc [villaatc@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2013 11:07 AM
To: Herrera, Patricia
Subject: Fwd: Letter for 3940 Maricopa Drive tree removal

Begin forwarded message:

From: Villaatc <villaatc@hotmail.com>
Subject: Letter for 3940 Maricopa Drive tree removal
Date: November 21, 2013 10:57:36 AM PST
To: pherrera@santabarbaraca.go

To City of Santa Barbara,

I am requesting the removal of the very tall pine tree in our front yard next to the sidewalk and our driveway. It already has many missing limbs that appear to have broken off in the past. The roots are making the walkway to the home entryway as well as the garage uneven as well.

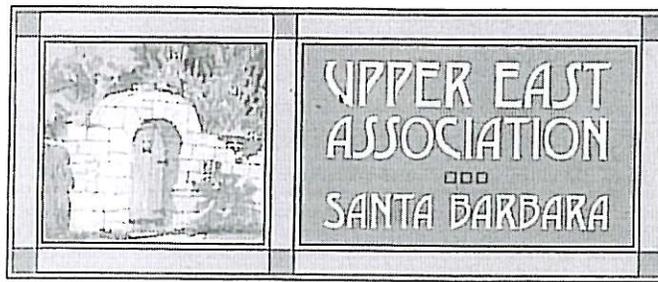
We are wanting to remove our front fence and the tree and create a welcome entryway with a picket fence, 2-3 small-medium size japanese maples and hopefully the tree/bush that we saw at the Mission rose garden by the waterfountain if we can identify that plant, but none of these changes and additional trees are possible while the pine is there and blocking much of the light.

I look forward to hearing the City Arborist decision so we can proceed with the plans we have and establishing a new safer walkway to our home.

Thank you,

Valerie Villa
3940 Mariciopa Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

805-770-7854



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

AUG 19, 2013

PARK & RECREATION
PARKS DIVISION

August 19, 2013

City of Santa Barbara
Forestry Division
Street Tree Advisory Committee (STAC)
Attn. Mr. Tim Downey

Subject: Urban Forest Master Plan; Street Tree Master Plan Comments with
Recommended Species Designation Changes

Dear Mr. Downey,

As part of Upper East Association (UEA) activities, we hosted a 'walkabout' on July 17th. This walk was well-attended (47 people). I am passing on the following recommendations that were compiled by the Upper East Association under guidance of Upper East member and landscape architect Grant Castleberg who led the walk from Padre Street to Constance Avenue and along Garden Street to Los Olivos Street.

Therefore, we request STAC's consideration of the following changes or modifications of the approved street tree species designated by the City for the following areas:

2100 block of Santa Barbara Street request change to *Arecastrum romanzoffianum*.

Rationale for Change. The street tree designated in the 1977 Master Plan for the 2100 block of Santa Barbara Street where the Church of Latter Day Saints is located is *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*, commonly known as King Palm. However, *Arecastrum romanzoffianum*, commonly known as Queen Palm, actually exist.

2200 block of Santa Barbara Street request addition of oak tree species.

Rationale for Change. Several oaks (cork, white, holly & quercus) exist in the 2200 block therefore we request that oak trees be added to the approved street tree list.

2300-2400 blocks of Santa Barbara Street request deletion of *Chorisa speciosa*.

Rationale for Change. Santa Barbara Street is continuous to Constance Avenue in this area, with a short spur to 200 block of East Junipero Street. There is a mix of approved street trees, *Chorisa speciosa*, Red Flowering Gum, and Camphor Tree. Junipero Street is listed for *Melaleuca genistifolia*.

Chorisa speciosa is known for its spiked bark which neighbors find unsightly and unsafe. The tree only loses its thorns upon maturity or in approximately 100 years. At maturity, the tree has a large circumference and its roots break up adjacent sidewalks. One of these street trees is dying at 2525 Santa Barbara Street.

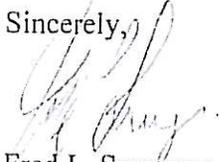
Residents of 200 block of East Junipero between Santa Barbara & Garden Street request clarification that there is no approved street tree in that block, since there are no sidewalk or medians. If that is not possible, they request that the street tree be olive since that is what primarily exists in the area.

2200-2400 blocks of Garden Street (west side) request removal of existing Kaffir Plums.

Rationale for Change. Kaffir plums are not on the City's approved tree list. They drop their fruits on the sidewalk making it slippery and creating a hazard to pedestrians. We request that the existing Kaffir Plum trees be removed over time and replaced with Evergreen Pear, the approved street tree.

Please include our comments in the updated Urban Forest Master Plan. Grant Castleberg is available to present these comments at any upcoming STAC meeting, if that would be the most expedient way to change the species designation.

Sincerely,



Fred L. Sweeney
President, Upper East Association Board

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City of Santa Barbara
FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT

**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE
FOR ADOPTION**

December 2013
Postponed from
October 2013

Date: 9/26/13

Location: 2200-2400 blocks of Garden St. (Westside)

Present Species Designation: *Pyrus kawakamii*, Evergreen Pear (1996)

Proposed Change to: Request removal of existing Kaffir Plums

Existing Species Profile: Various trees

Reasons for Recommended Change: See attached letter.

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION
PHOTO INVENTORY**

Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action: