

Flynn, Allison

From: Meri-Beth Bird
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 10:33 AM
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
Subject: Tree Removal at 1553 Meadow Lane

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Dear Members of the Urban Forestry/Parks & Rec,

I am a resident of Mountain View and live near the home on Meadow Lane where the appeal to take down the Pinus pinea (Italian Stone Pine) is being presented tomorrow night. I would have been at the meeting but I have a conflict with another in-person meeting where I am co-president, so I can't miss that.

Please do not approve this appeal and give permission for the removal of this tree. The home owners are able to remove 2 others which does seem OK. This tree is majestic and really adds to the neighborhood. We must be more aware of removing trees, given the climate change, we need to add trees not take them down. I'm sure this tree is an inconvenience to the new homeowner, however that is no reason to take down a healthy tree. Damage to the walkway is also no reason to take down this magnificent tree.

We all know that you can get an arborist to say a tree is unhealthy, so please listen to your arborist that works for the city of Mountain View.

Again I ask you to NOT approve the removal of this beautiful tree.

Thank you,
Meri-Beth Bird

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Meri-Beth Bird

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From: Gary Hedden
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 11:08 AM
To: Parks and Recreation Commission
Subject: Stone Pine on Meadow Lane

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Honored Commissioners,

I live in Los Altos but have often biked on Meadow Lane and that Stone Pine really is majestic. It provides great shade and must have been a joy during the recent heat wave. The homeowners should be proud of their tree and I am sure the neighbors would appreciate having it saved.

I lead the effort to plant trees in Los Altos and Los Altos Hills for GreenTown Los Altos. There is a saying, "the best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago" and this Stone Pine beats that by a mile.

Please save it.

Thank you,
Gary Hedden