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Miscellaneous Fee 04/18/25 572250 Collection Schedule

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Name Cameron City Of Mountain View Date: 04/18/25 DC0 /DC18/CD1 Time: 16:48:51 Receipt No: 572250 ACCOUNT Account No: CAMERON HUMPHREY 020012-42715 Sales of maps, pamphlets, codes, ordinances, charters, publications, Precise Plans, agendas, Beginning Balance minutes, Council reports, copies, faxes (DOCFEE) 0.00 HERITAGE TREE APPEAL -50,00 Hentage Tree Appeal (TREEAP) 020012-42799 Ending Balance -50.00 Sales of City Code and Code Supplements 020012-42715 Subscription (CTYSUB) CHECK Amount -50.00 Elections - Deposit for Printing of Candidate's 710100-22150 Statement (CANDST) Payment 50.00 Change 0.00 020038-42715 Elections -- Precinct Maps (ELCMAP) 2424 WHITNEY DR 020012-43643 Sales of City Souvenirs (SOUVEN) Thank You And Have A Nice Day 211215-42799 Zoning Appeal to Council—CDD (ZONEPP) 020012-42799 Other Appeal to Council (_____ Building Attendant and Rental Fee (CCATTN) 020012-43623 710100-22171 Security Deposit 020012-43643 Sale of Souvenirs (Clerk Store) 50.00 SUBTOTAL TAX

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FINANCE & ADMIN SERVICES DEPT

Dear Mountain View Forestry Division,

I am writing to respectfully appeal the recent decision made by the Forestry Division regarding my application for a permit to remove the heritage tree located on my property at 2424 Whitney Drive. I understand the importance of preserving heritage trees within our community and I want to assure you that this request is not made lightly.

My decision to seek removal of this Pittosporum is based on the professional assessment of a certified arborist, who has determined that the tree is at the end of its lifespan and poses a significant risk to the safety of my family and my home. The arborist's report details the declining health of the tree, including a thinning canopy, rot, and evidence of disease.

The location of this declining heritage tree is in close proximity to my house with the trunk being 16" from the front of the structure with branches overarching the roof. Its current condition raises serious concerns about the potential for the treecollapsing or falling limbs, particularly during periods of inclement weather, as was the case in the most recent storm. My primary concern is the safety and well-being of my children and the protection of my property.

While I recognize the value of heritage trees, in this specific instance, the advanced state of decline of this particular tree outweighs its heritage value due to the imminent safety risk it presents. To further demonstrate my commitment to maintaining a healthy urban forest, I intend to replace the removed tree with a new, beautiful, and appropriately sized tree or trees. I believe now is the opportune time to plant a new specimen(s) that will flourish within a few short years, rather than nervously anticipate the inevitable failure of the current tree.

I respectfully request that you reconsider your initial decision in light of the information provided in this letter and the arborist report sent with the removal request. I also intend to get a second arborist report. Thank you for your time, attention, and careful consideration of this important matter. I look forward to your response and a positive resolution that ensures the safety of my family and property while acknowledging the incredible importance of mature trees in our beautiful city.

Sincerely.

2424 Whitney Drive, Mountain View, CA 94043

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Brothers Services Tree Care, Inc

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Tree Removal Arborist Report

April 01, 2024

Summary

There are 5 identified trees plus shrubs and hedges at the site. The number of trees proposed for removal is 1 with 4 being retained.

Based on the diameter of the removed tree I recommend another tree to be its replacement.

Introduction

The tree removal is located at 2424 Whitney Dr Mountain View Ca 94062. At the request of Mrs. Humphrey on March 27, 2025 I was asked to prepare a tree removal plan.

A thorough inspection was performed to determine the structure and health of the tree.

Measurements

The Pittosporum is 51 inches in circumference.

Canopy Spread is: 10 feet by 10 feet.

Height: Approximately 30 feet.

The Pittosporum tree is within 10 feet in proximity to the structure.

Tree Condition and Health

The Pittosporum has evidence of decay pockets on the main stem, it also shows evidence of some bark beetle diseases. Also, this tree is getting close to its useful life spam. The tree shows evidence of declining canopy.

Furthermore, this tree is over the structure and can compromise the homeowners insurance.

Tree Structure

This tree is structurally unsound.

Utility lines

The tree is not in interference with any utility lines.

Conclusion and recommendations

It is impossible to correct the tree's conditions with the ISA tree trimming and treatment standards. I recommend the Pittosporum tree be removed and replaced with a different suitable specimen such as a 24" hox standard tree.

Sincerely,

Augo Angel Morales

Certified Arborist WE-10140A



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION

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April 22, 2025



HERITAGE TREE APPEAL: 2424 WHITNEY DRIVE

Dear Michael,

Please be advised that the Forestry Division has received your appeal for the above-mentioned address concerning one (1) Pittosporum tree. You will be notified in the future of the time and date of the Urban Forestry Board hearing.

Sincerely,

Russell Hansen Urban Forest Manager Parks & Forestry Divisions

cc: f/c

HERITAGE TREE APPEAL NOTICE

The decision to deny the removal of this Heritage Tree has been appealed. An appeal shall automatically stay issuance or denial of the Heritage Tree Notice to remove or deny removal of the tree(s) identified on the notice (Mountain View City Code Section 32.31). An appeal hearing will be set before the Urban Forestry Board at a later time. Notice of the date and time will be posted here when known.

This notice shall be posted until a final decision has been rendered. For information regarding the appeal, please contact the Forestry Division Office at 650-903-6273.



APRIL 22, 2025

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