CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 18, 2017

TO:

Building Division

FROM:

Bruce Hurlburt, Parks Manager

SUBJECT:

575 Sierra Avenue

New SFH

ZONE:

R1

P/C#:

2017-3837

PLANNING APP: N/A

The status of the following reviewed permit is:

In Plan Check

The project requires a Final Inspection from Planning - No

Comments:

1. Site Plan:

- a. Trees: The site is heavily forested with nine (9) Heritage trees. Seven redwoods 3H, 4H, 5H, 6H, 7H, 8H, 10H, and one Douglas fir 9H, grow in a grove and have good vigor and health. One California Bay, 2H, is in poor condition toward the Sierra frontage.
- b. The current plan clear cuts the entire site of trees and is not acceptable. Staff would like to see consideration of the following revisions/modifications discussed in an effort to preserve Heritage trees on the site.
- c. Can the basement size be reduced to preserve trees 7H, 8H, & 9H?
- d. Or can the basement be shift more toward the Sierra frontage to preserve the same trees?
- e. Can a detached single car garage be built in the SW corner of the property? This would allow for the current garage to be designed as living space and potentially allow the structure to be moved closer to Sierra Avenue. This might allow for preservation of trees 3H, 4H & 5H.