## CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW URBAN FORESTRY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. SERIES 2020

## A RESOLUTION TO DENY THE APPEAL AND UPHOLD A HERITAGE TREE REMOVAL APPLICATION FOR THE REMOVAL OF ONE HERITAGE TREE AT 1866 GOLDEN WAY

WHEREAS, an application was received for the removal of a Heritage tree at 1866 Golden Way on October 3, 2019; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2019, the Forestry and Roadway Manager issued a decision on the application denying removal of the Heritage Tree; and

WHEREAS, the decision denying removal of the Heritage tree was appealed on January 2, 2020, over ten (10) calendar days as required by Mountain View City Code Section 32.31; however, the appeal was accepted and considered timely appealed due to City Hall's closure from December 24, 2019 through January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, at its duly noticed public hearing on March 11, 2020, the Urban Forestry Board considered the appeal of the application for removal of the Heritage tree and independently reviewed and considered the application, staff report, public testimony, Heritage Tree Ordinance, and other information in the record;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Urban Forestry Board of the City of Mountain View that the Heritage Tree Removal Permit appeal is hereby denied, and the Heritage tree shall be preserved, based on the required findings pursuant to Mountain View City Code Section 32.35 set forth below:

- 1. The City Code requires the preservation of all healthy Heritage trees unless specific criteria are met pursuant to Mountain View City Code Section 32.25.
- 2. The City Code places emphasis on the preservation of trees and, when mitigation is possible, efforts should be made to preserve trees as opposed to removal.
- 3. The Urban Forestry Board determines that the removal of the Heritage tree does not meet any of the criteria set forth in City Code Section 32.25, specifically relating to the condition of the tree due to potential mitigation of property damage without removal of the tree.

This decision of the Urban Forestry Board is final. The time within which judicial review of this decision must be filed is governed by Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. Notice of this decision shall be posted at the site, City Hall, and at the Forestry Division Office.

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