

Attachment 4

Leslie and Dan Ballesteros

City of Mountain View Forestry Division 231 North Whisman Road P.O. Box 7450 Mountain View, CA 94039-7540

RE: Heritage Tree Removal #13022

To Whom It May Concern:

We are surprised and saddened that someone has appealed the removal of tree #13022. Over the years, it has become more and more misshapen and had been leaning perilously toward our home until about a year ago, when we asked that the City remove the tree, based not only on our concerns but also because a tree company, who had been doing work in our yard, said that this tree should definitely come down. Instead, the City sent a crew to simply trim it back.

We were thrilled to see the notice that the tree would finally be removed. Please continue with your plans to remove both this tree and the one next to it, #13020, which is clearly diseased and dying. We are concerned that it is negatively impacting our (at least as of now) healthy Redwood Tree.

In our opinion, more of the pine trees should be removed or cut back in the walkway. They have gotten too big, crowding other trees, and the pinecones drop dangerously fast and heavy (many of them in our yard). We constantly hear them crashing on the ground. When your crews are here, we ask that you also please have them trim all pine tree branches that are hanging over our fence.

Thank you,

Leslie and Dan Ballesteros

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