

Date: 7/26/2022

Requested by: Jennifer Buck jenbuck100@yahoo.com

Address: 714 N. Voluntario Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Location of Tree: 714 N. Voluntario Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Tree Species: (1) *Washingtonia robusta*, (setback)
(2) *Syagrus romanzoffiana*, (street)

Common Name: Mexican Fan Palm
Queen Palms

Requested Reason for Removal: Washingtonia palm is extremely high maintenance and very costly to maintain, its falling fronds can be dangerous. The two Queen Palms are street trees and growing under the power lines.

Current designated Street Tree: *Albizia julibrissin*, Silk Tree (August 24, 1983) (Unknown)

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Conditionally Approve Removal: Deny Removal:

Staff Recommendation: Conditionally Approve Removal: Deny Removal: N/A

Date Posted: 8/10/2022

Comments: The Committee recommends (4/1) that the Commission approve the removal of (2) *Syagrus romanzoffiana*, Queen Palms, and (1) *Washingtonia robusta*, Mexican Fan Palm, on the condition the applicant plant two new designated street trees and a replacement Tree Aloe within the front setback as proposed.

PHOTO INVENTORY



Tree Removal Application

APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

Buck	Jennifer	
YOUR LAST NAME	YOUR FIRST NAME	
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)		
714 N Voluntario St		
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS		
Santa Barbara	CA	93103
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
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TREE INFORMATION

TYPE OF TREE: **SETBACK TREE(S)** **STREET TREE(S)**

3	714 N Voluntario St Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the property address where the trees are located

1 washingtonia palm, 2 queen palms
SPECIES OF TREE(S), IF KNOWN

REASONS FOR REMOVAL (TELL US WHY YOU WANT TO REMOVE THE TREE[S]). PLEASE INCLUDE:

- Whether or not the removal application is associated with new development or redevelopment of property
- Status of development application, including whether the project is scheduled for review by the Single Family Design Board, Architectural Board of Review, or Historic Landmarks Commission
- Whether or not the tree is a designated Specimen or Historic Tree or located on a property with a designated Historic Landmark

If you feel you need more space to outline the goals of your request, please feel free to attach a supplemental letter when you submit this form.

This tree removal application is not part of a new development or redevelopment project and they are not located in a designated Historic Landmark area nor are they designated as specimen or historic trees.

The washingtonia palm is in my tiny front yard, just partially inside the 15 foot front setback. This tree is extremely high maintenance and very costly to maintain, it's falling fronds can be dangerous if not routinely pruned and is not a tree that works in a tiny yard that measures 8'x22'. The falling fronds after pruning have already destroyed my delicate plants below and I had to remove them all. I would love to replace it with a better drought tolerant tree that will produce some shade as my house is SW facing. The dead fronds have been a nightmare, they need to be pruned every other week and the fronds are heavy and difficult to dispose of. If not pruned the tree becomes unsightly and potentially dangerous as the dead fronds can fall on my front walkway on a windy day. This tree can grow up to 130 feet tall and is too costly and difficult to maintain any longer.

The 2 queen palms are street trees in front of my house growing under the power lines. One of these trees is currently hitting the power lines and the power company, once a year or so, trims all of the fronds off leaving a tiny stub on the top. The smaller one is destined for the same type of pruning. Once trimmed these trees are ugly and are only trunks with no fronds until the fronds grow back and then they are trimmed again. I would love to replace them with 2 smaller drought tolerant trees that will not hit the power lines.

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)? YES NO

IF YES, WHAT WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S) WITH?

The washingtonia palm will be replaced with a 48"box aloe bainesii tree and the 2 queen palms will be replaced with 2 pearl acacia trees.

eSigned via SeamlessDocs.com
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