

*Date:* 8/23/2022

*Requested by:* Barbara Smith [bsmithinsb@gmail.com](mailto:bsmithinsb@gmail.com)

*Address:* 1014A Calle De Los Amigos, Santa Barbara CA 93105

*Location of Tree:* 1014A Calle De Los Amigos, Santa Barbara, CA 93105

**Tree Species:** *Schinus molle*, **Common Name:** Pepper Tree

*Requested Reason for Removal:* A prolific pepper tree is a toxic species and is full of toxic red berries that permeate the air in our home. Family has allergies and is having difficulty breathing.

*Current designated Street Tree:* None. TBD.

*Advisory Committee Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:

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

*Date Posted:*

*Comments:*

**PHOTO INVENTORY**



# Tree Removal Application

## APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

<input type="text" value="Smith"/>	<input type="text" value="Barbara"/>	
YOUR LAST NAME	YOUR FIRST NAME	
<input type="text"/>		
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)		
<input type="text" value="1014A Calle de los Amigos"/>		
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS		
<input type="text" value="Santa Barbara"/>	<input type="text" value="CA"/>	<input type="text" value="93105"/>
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
<input type="text" value="805-729-6767"/>	<input type="text" value="bsmithinsb@gmail.com"/>	
DAYTIME PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS	

## TREE INFORMATION

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

<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="on the parkway directly in front of our home at 1014A Calle de los Amigos"/>
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the <b>property address</b> where the trees are located

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

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A prolific pepper tree is located on the City parkway directly in front of our Valle Verde home. It is a toxic species and the tree in front of us is covered with toxic red berries that permeate the air in our home. I have been told that because of this toxicity, pepper trees are no longer allowed to be planted in the state of Arizona.

I am allergic to pepper trees and my husband has COPD. We are both having difficulty breathing in our home. We have installed a HEPA filter and we purchased two freestanding Blue air filters but, with the tree's branches a mere twenty feet from our porch and front door, we continue to have severe breathing difficulties. For this reason, we request that the pepper tree be removed.

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)?    YES     NO

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

We are willing to work with the City to plant a tree than is not toxic or likely to cause allergic reactions.





**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL  
REQUEST**

**September 2022**

*Date:* 8/24/2022

*Requested by:* Rachel Raynor [dtucker@frontporch.net](mailto:dtucker@frontporch.net)

*Address:* 800 N. Brand Blvd., 19<sup>th</sup> Floor, Glendale, CA 91203

*Location of Tree:* 3775 Modoc Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105

**Tree Species:** (1) *Eucalyptus sideroxylon*, **Common Name:** Red Ironbark  
(7) *Eucalyptus viminalis*, Manna Gum  
(1) *Corymbia citriodora*, Lemon-scented Gum

*Zoning/Setback:* R-2- 20'

*Reason for Removal:* Refer to Arborist Report Recommendations on Sheet L3. The trees have largely outgrown its current location and should be replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.

*Proposed Replacement:* Yes  (7) 24" box Island Oak. No

*Advisory Committee Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:  N/A

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

*Date Posted:*

*Comments:*

**PHOTO INVENTORY**



# Tree Removal Application

## APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

<input type="text" value="Raynor"/>	<input type="text" value="Raynor"/>	
YOUR LAST NAME	YOUR FIRST NAME	
<input type="text" value="Front Porch Development company"/>		
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)		
<input type="text" value="800 N. Brand Blvd., 19th Floor"/>		
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS		
<input type="text" value="Glendale"/>	<input type="text" value="CA"/>	<input type="text" value="91203"/>
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
<input type="text" value="(805) 736-1333"/>	<input type="text" value="DTUCKER@frontporch.net"/>	
DAYTIME PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS	

## TREE INFORMATION

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

<input type="text" value="9"/>	<input type="text" value="3775 Modoc Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105"/>
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the <b>property address</b> where the trees are located

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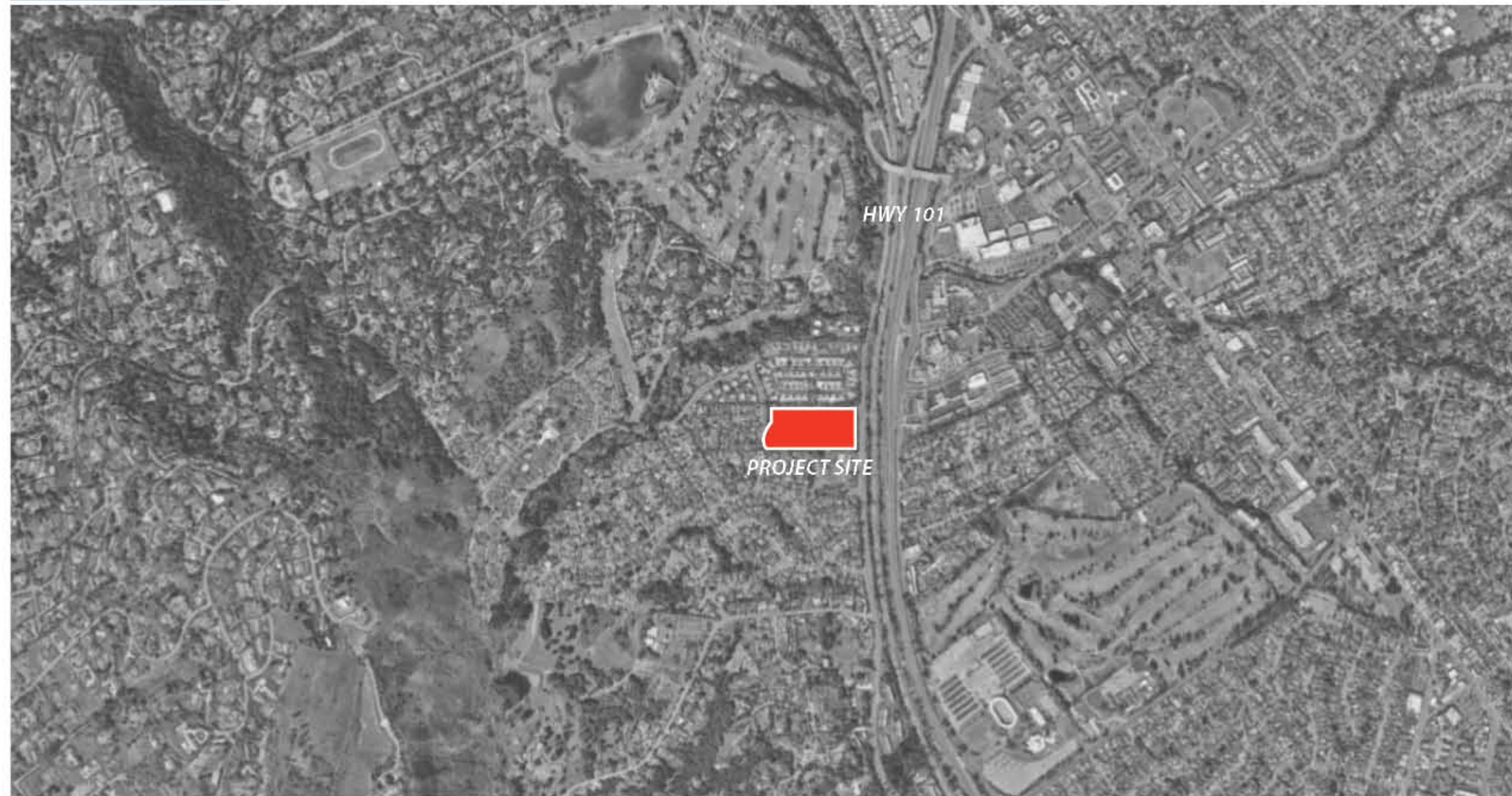
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Refer to Arborist Report Recommendations on Sheet L3. The trees have largely outgrown its current location and should be replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)?    YES     NO

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

VICINITY MAP



PROJECT DATA

Project Address: 3775 Modoc Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105  
Assessor Parcel #: 049-030-030  
Land Use: Medium Density Residential  
General Plan Neighborhood (Appendix B): Hidden Valley  
Zone Designation: R-2  
Lot Size: 10.02 Acres (436,342 SF)  
Lot Slope: 2%

SHEET INDEX

- L1 Cover Sheet
- L2 Photos of Trees Proposed for Removal
- L3 Arborist Report Excerpt (Trees 1-9)
- L4 Tree Removal Plan
- L5 Tree Proposal Plan and Schedule

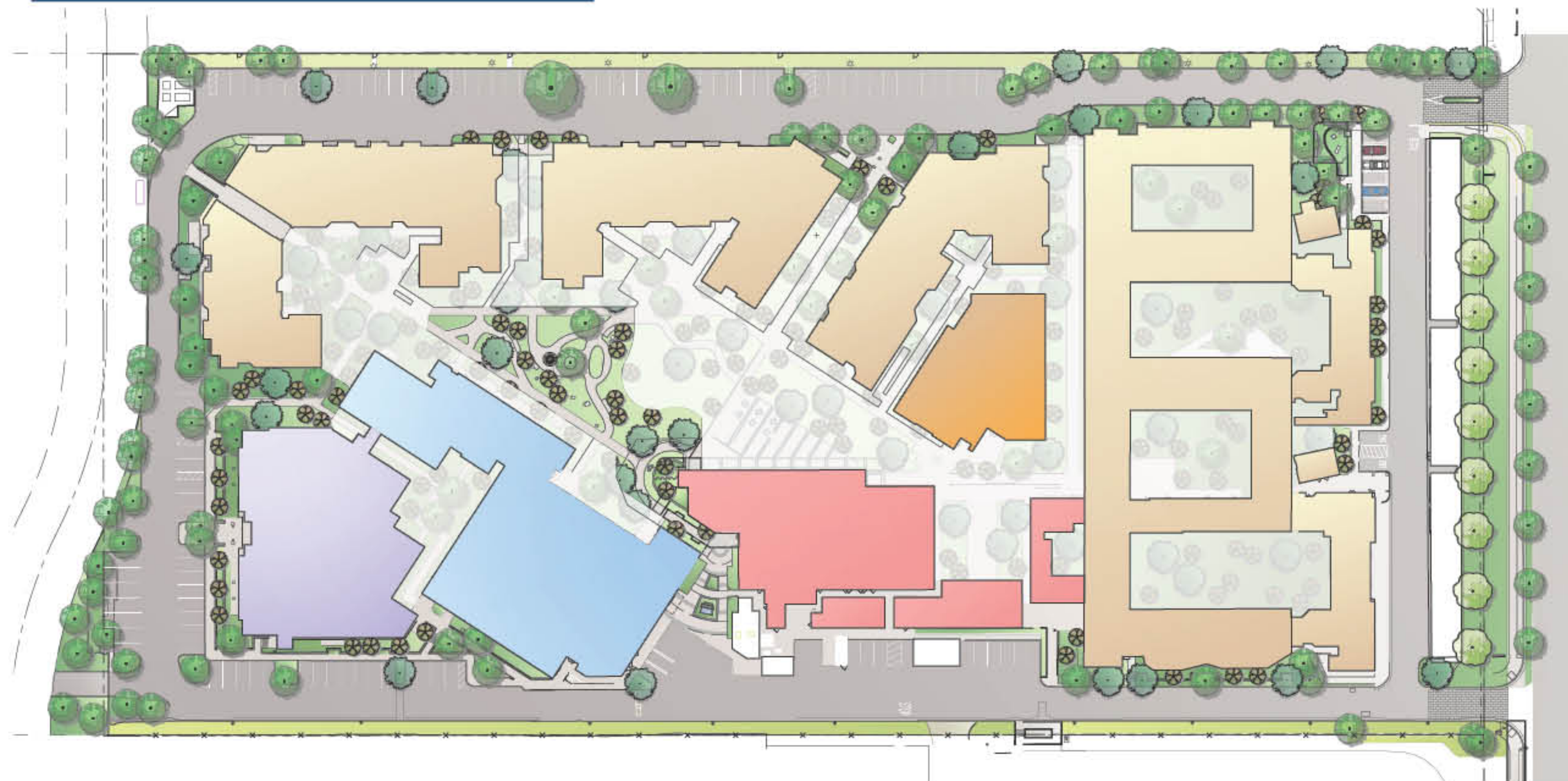
PROJECT DIRECTORY

Owner: Front Porch Development Company  
800 N. Brand Blvd., 19th Floor  
Glendale, CA 91203  
Tel (805) 736-1333  
Contact: Douglas Tucker

Landscape Architect: RRM Design Group  
3765 S. Higuera St., Suite 102  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
Tel (805) 543-1794  
Contact: Chris Dufour

Planner: RRM Design Group  
10 East Figueroa St, Suite 200  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
Tel (805)963-8283  
Contact: Rachel Raynor

CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPE PLAN



VISTA DEL MONTE - TREE APPLICATION

COVER SHEET



TREE 1 - *Eucalyptus sideroxylon*



TREE 2 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



TREE 3 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



TREE 4 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



TREE 5 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



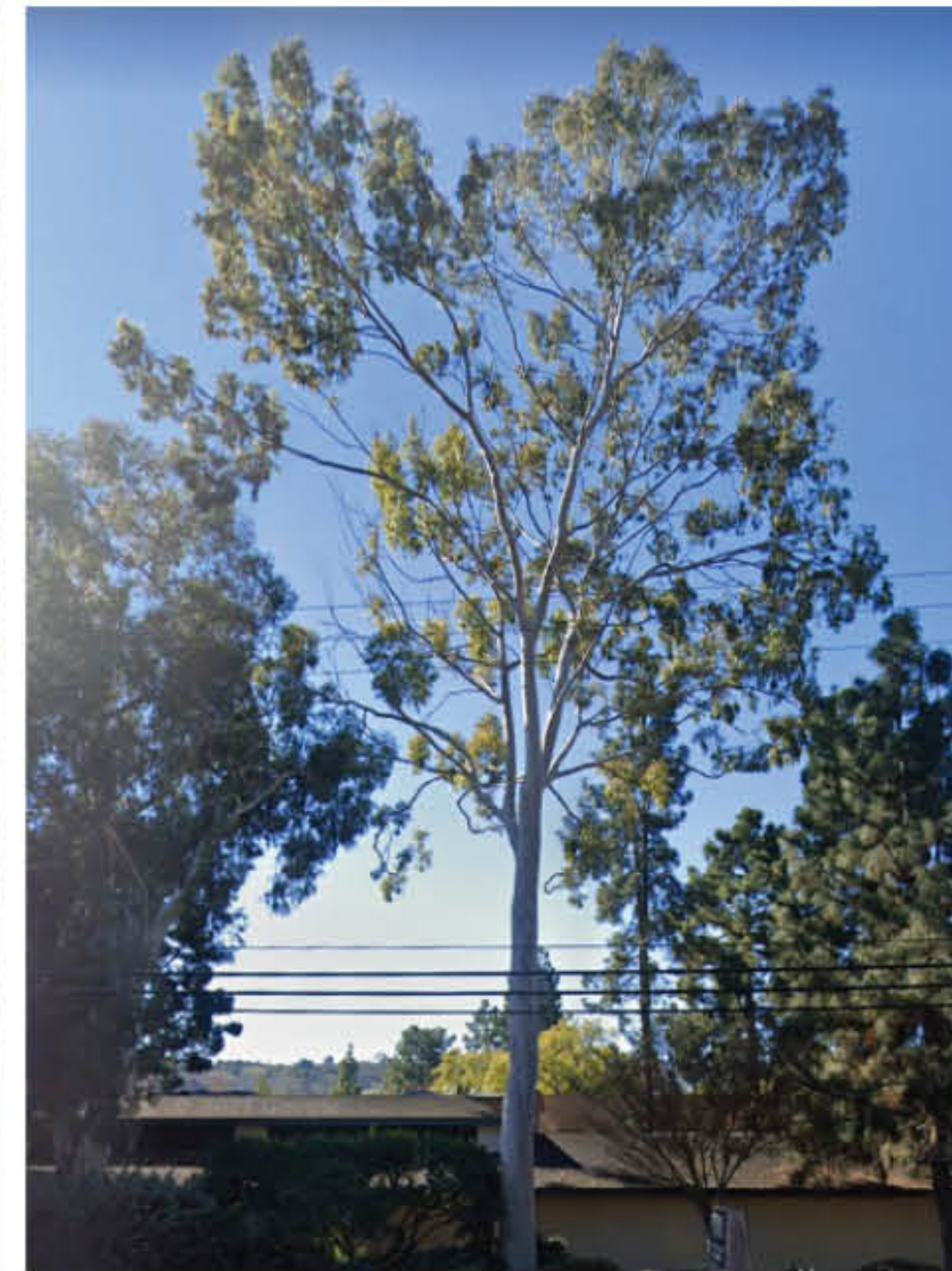
TREE 6 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



TREE 7 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



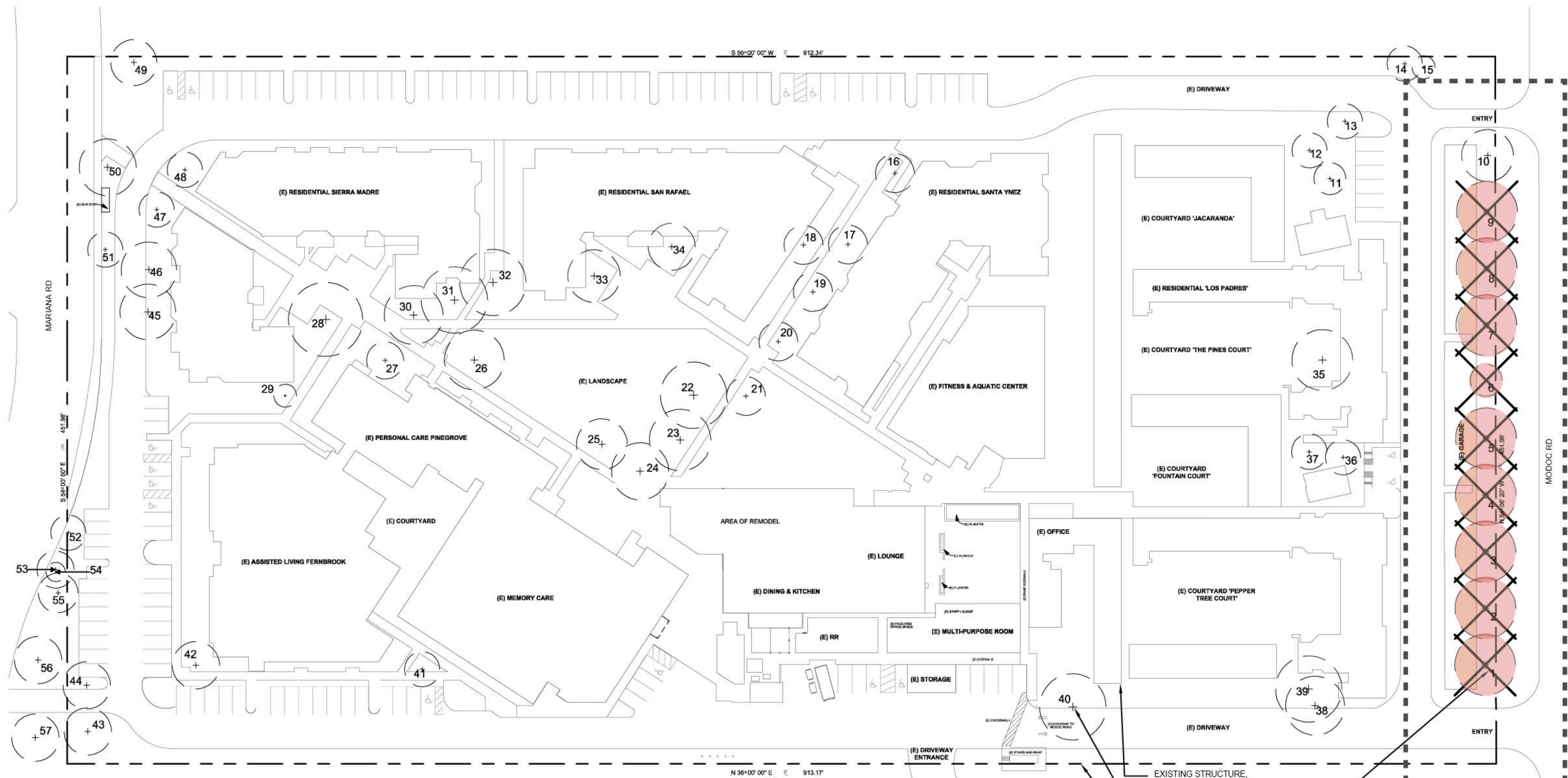
TREE 8 - *Eucalyptus viminalis*



TREE 9 - *Corymbia citriodora*



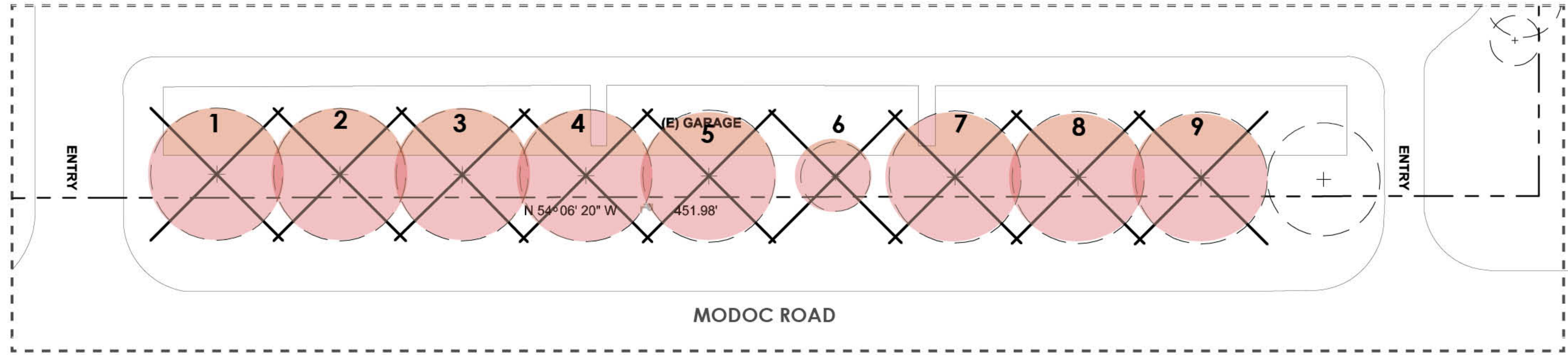
TAG #	BOTANICAL NAME	TARGET DESCRIPTION	DBH	HEIGHT	STRUCTURE	NOTES	MITIGATION RECOMMENDATIONS
1	<i>Eucalyptus sideroxylon</i>	Garage, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	27.5	50	2	Southern California Edison (SCE) has continually pruned northern portion of crown due to proximity to nearby overhead power lines. This has created an unbalanced crown weight distribution and places the cantilevered load over the adjacent row of garages on the Vista Del Monte (VDM) property. There are several instances of poor structure such as codominant leaders and included bark from years of utility pruning. Tree has developed a lean in the direction of the VDM garages and although the root collar indicates a stable root structure, the cantilevered weight of the crown combined with the uncorrected lean could lead to failure. Tree is in good health with slight indications of stress.	Southern portion of crown is oversized and will require consistent pruning to maintain a balanced shape and reduce the weight of the cantilevered limbs. Tree has outgrown its location and should be removed and replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.
	COMMON NAME	TARGET PROXIMITY	OCC. RATE	HEALTH	DISPOSITION		
	red ironbark	10	2	4	R		
2	<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i>	Garage, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	38.0	50	2	SCE has continually pruned northern portion of crown due to proximity to nearby overhead power lines. This has created an unbalanced crown weight distribution and places the cantilevered load over the adjacent row of garages on the VDM property. There are several instances of poor structure such as codominant leaders and included bark from years of utility pruning. Tree has developed a lean in the direction of the VDM garages and although the root collar indicates a stable root structure, the cantilevered weight of the crown combined with the uncorrected lean could lead to failure. Tree is in poor health with indications of stress such as moderate evidence of psyllid infestation and tortoise beetle damage to the leaves.	Southern portion of crown is oversized and will require consistent pruning to maintain a balanced shape and reduce the weight of the cantilevered limbs. Tree has outgrown its location and should be removed and replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.
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	manna gum	10	2	2	R		
3	<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i>	Garage, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	25.0	40	2	SCE has continually pruned northern portion of crown due to proximity to nearby overhead power lines. This has created an unbalanced crown weight distribution and places the cantilevered load over the adjacent row of garages on the VDM property. There are several instances of poor structure such as codominant leaders and included bark from years of utility pruning. Tree has developed a lean in the direction of the VDM garages and although the root collar indicates a stable root structure, the cantilevered weight of the crown combined with the uncorrected lean could lead to failure. Tree is in poor health with moderate indications of stress such as evidence of psyllid infestation and tortoise beetle damage to the leaves.	Southern portion of crown is oversized and will require consistent pruning to maintain a balanced shape and reduce the weight of the cantilevered limbs. Tree has outgrown its location and should be removed and replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.
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	manna gum	10	2	2	R		
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	manna gum	10	2	4	R		
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	manna gum	10	2	3	R		
6	<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i>	Garage, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	9.5	25	2	Young volunteer in moderate health with poor structure that is exhibiting symptoms of moderate stress such as crown dieback, evidence of psyllid infestation, and tortoise beetle damage to the leaves. Current size does not conflict with overhead power lines, but will develop identical issues as described with the previous eucalyptus trees in this area over time.	Tree is unsuitable for the location and will need consistent pruning once it matures to ensure safe clearance from nearby overhead power lines. It should be removed and replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.
	COMMON NAME	TARGET PROXIMITY	OCC. RATE	HEALTH	DISPOSITION		
	manna gum	10	2	3	R		
7	<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i>	Garage, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	40.0	50	3	SCE has continually pruned northern portion of crown due to proximity to nearby overhead power lines. This has created an unbalanced crown weight distribution and places the cantilevered load over the adjacent row of garages on the VDM property. There are several instances of poor structure such as codominant leaders and included bark from years of utility pruning. Tree has developed a lean in the direction of the VDM garages and although the root collar indicates a stable root structure, the cantilevered weight of the crown combined with the uncorrected lean could lead to failure. Tree is in poor health with moderate indications of stress such as evidence of psyllid infestation and tortoise beetle damage to the leaves.	Southern portion of crown is oversized and will require consistent pruning to maintain a balanced shape and reduce the weight of the cantilevered limbs. Tree has outgrown its location and should be removed and replaced with a more suitable species in a location that does not conflict with overhead power distribution.
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	manna gum	10	2	4	R		
9	<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>	Garage, Power lines, Drive Aisle, Sidewalk	27.5	65	4	The naturally upright and high branching structure of the lemon-scented gum has allowed this specimen to successfully grow past the overhead power lines with less oversight from SCE, which seems to have preserved its good form, balance, and structure. The trunk is very straight with adequate taper and appears very stable. The root collar is not well defined at the soil surface and may have been previously buried during the construction of an adjacent raised planter.	Using low impact excavation techniques and being careful not to damage the root collar or roots, uncover the root collar to see if
	COMMON NAME	TARGET PROXIMITY	OCC. RATE	HEALTH	DISPOSITION		
	lemon-scented gum	4	2	4	P		



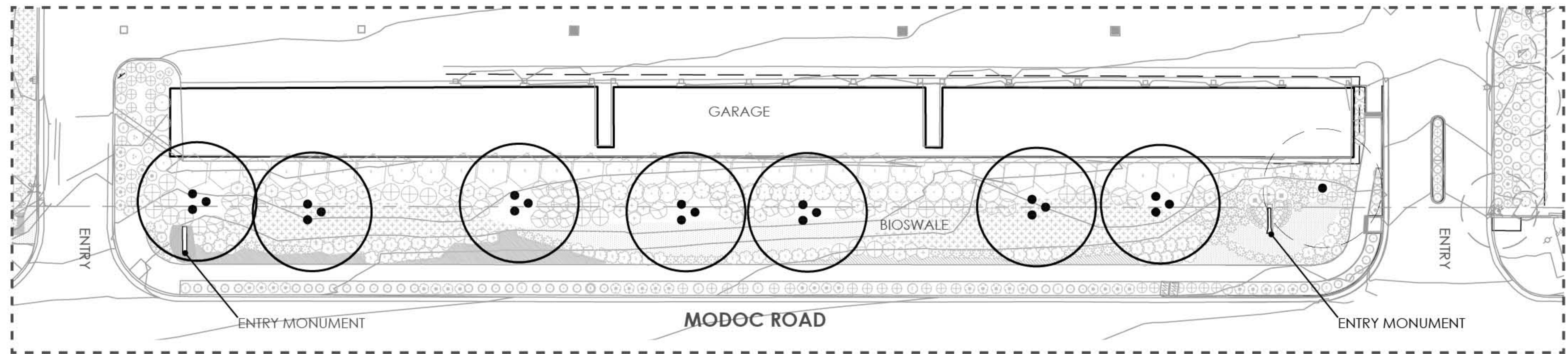
- EXISTING STRUCTURE, TYPICAL
- EXISTING TREE, TYPICAL
- PROPERTY LINE, TYPICAL
- TREE TO BE REMOVED, TYPICAL

SEE ARBORIST'S TREE RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

TREE REMOVAL ENLARGEMENT MAP



TREE PROPOSAL ENLARGEMENT MAP



TREE SCHEDULE

	QTY	BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	CONTAINER	WUCOLS
	7	<i>Quercus tomentella</i>	ISLAND OAK	24" BOX	LOW

**FRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL  
REQUEST**

**September 2022**

*Date:* 8/24/2022

*Requested by:* Barbara Masin [bmasin@eidltd.com](mailto:bmasin@eidltd.com)

*Address:* PO Box 40227, Santa Barbara, CA 93140

*Location of Tree:* 214 Eucalyptus Hill Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93108

*Tree Species:* *Eucalyptus globulus*, *Common Name:* Blue Gum

*Zoning/Setback:* RS-25 30'

*Reason for Removal:* This is a previously topped eucalyptus tree; leaning over wall in direction of public roadway. New growth consists of hazardous water sprouts that are more prone to break off. Tree is unsightly and a risk to the historic wall.

*Proposed Replacement:* Yes  2 ea. California Coast Live Oaks No

*Advisory Committee Recommendation:* Approve Removal:  Deny Removal:  N/A

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

*Date Posted:*

*Comments:*

**PHOTO INVENTORY**



# Tree Removal Application

## APPLICANT/OWNER DETAILS

<input type="text" value="Masin"/>	<input type="text" value="Barbara"/>	
YOUR LAST NAME	YOUR FIRST NAME	
<input type="text" value="Jim &amp; Chana Jackson"/>		
OWNER'S FULL NAME (IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER)		
<input type="text" value="PO Box 40227"/>		
YOUR MAILING ADDRESS		
<input type="text" value="Santa Barbara"/>	<input type="text" value="CA"/>	<input type="text" value="93140"/>
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
<input type="text" value="805-286-8473"/>	<input type="text" value="bmasin@eidltd.com"/>	
DAYTIME PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS	

## TREE INFORMATION

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

<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="214 Eucalyptus Hill Drive"/>
NUMBER OF TREES	LOCATION OF TREE(S) - please be sure to indicate the <b>property address</b> where the trees are located
<input type="text" value="blue gum eucalyptus"/>	
SPECIES OF TREE(S), IF KNOWN	

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This is a previously topped eucalyptus tree; leaning over wall in direction of public roadway. New growth consists of hazardous water spouts that are more prone to break off than original branches. Tree is unsightly and a risk to the historic wall and the public roadway. (Other, similarly sized eucalyptus immediately adjacent to this tree have in the recent past fallen on neighbor's carport and onto Eucalyptus Hill Road, blocking the road). Removal application is not associated with new development or redevelopment of property. Tree is not a Specimen Tree nor Historic Tree, nor located on a property designated Historic Landmark.

WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S)?    YES     NO

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







City of Santa Barbara  
FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT

September 2022

**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN  
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE  
FOR ADOPTION**

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Date: 8/24/2022

Location: All of Vernon Road

Present Species Designation:

2700 Blk.	<i>Platanus acerifolia</i>	London Plane Tree
2800 Blk.	<i>Platanus acerifolia</i>	London Plane Tree

Request for species designation change:

Existing Species Profile: *Myoporum laetum*, Myoporum, *Eucalyptus cladocalyx*, Sugar Gum, *Melaleuca nesophila*, Pink Melaleuca, *Melaleuca armillaris*, Drooping Melaleuca, *Pittosporum undulatum*, Victorian Box, *Yucca gloriosa* Spanish Dagger, *Heteromeles arbutifolia*, Toyon, *Rhus integrifolia*, Lemonade Berry, *Acacia decurrens*, Green Wattle, *Platanus racemosa*, California Sycamore, and *Melaleuca quinquenervia*, Cajeput Tree

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION  
PHOTO INVENTORY**

Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action:





**City of Santa Barbara**  
Parks and Recreation Department

**Memorandum**

**DATE:** August 24, 2022

**TO:** Street Tree Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Nathan Slack, Urban Forest Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** Request for Species Designation Change – Vernon Road

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Forestry staff are requesting that the Street Tree Advisory Committee review and recommend changing the existing species designation for Vernon Road.

Currently, *Platanus x hispanica*, London Plane Tree, is the designated species for planting on Vernon Road. The designation dates back to the initial adoption of the Street Tree Designation List in 1977.

A local landscape architect working on a project located at 2711 Vernon Road made the request for designation change. The property is undergoing significant landscape improvements, one of which involved the permitted removal of a front setback tree (City of Santa Barbara – Parks and Recreation Commission, June 21, 2021). As conditions of approval for the removal, the property owner was required to install a new canopy tree within the front setback of the property and a new street tree. The landscape architect has requested that staff evaluate the feasibility of using *Arbutus* 'Marina', Marina Madrone as a new street tree designation.

Staff have reviewed the request for change and determined the update makes practical sense for the following reasons. Both Forestry staff and the Street Tree Advisory Committee have identified that London Plane Tree should no longer be planted in Santa Barbara due to its documented hybridization with our local native California Sycamore tree populations. Marina Madrone has proven to be a tough urban tree with a high level of drought tolerance. The parkway width of 4 feet is also large enough to support the growth of the new species. Lastly, the Marina Madrone is an evergreen species that will further help to reduce the heat island effect in this area. It is for the reasons listed above that staff have determined that Marina Madrone is a suitable tree for use on Vernon Road.

**Vernon Road  
Consolidated Species Information**

Block Number	No. of Trees	Parkway Width
2700 Block		
CAJEPUT TREE	7	4'
JACARANDA	1	4'
VACANT SITE	2	4'
Grand Total	10	



City of Santa Barbara  
FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT

September 2022

**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN  
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE  
FOR ADOPTION**

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Date: 8/24/2022

Location: 1300 – 2100 blocks of Mountain Avenue

Present Species Designation:

1300 Blk.	<i>Geijera parviflora</i>	Australian Willow
1400-1600 Blk.	<i>Arbutus 'Marina'</i>	Marina Madrone
1700 Blk.	<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Goldenrain Tree
1800 Blk.	<i>Brachychiton discolor</i>	Pink Flame Tree
1900-2100 Blk.	<i>Geijera parviflora</i>	Australian Willow

Potential co-designation options: Jacaranda, Olive, Chinese Elm, Maidenhair, and or Chinese Elm.

Existing Species Profile: Various species.

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION  
PHOTO INVENTORY**

Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action:

**From:** [Michael Fedyk](#)  
**To:** [Nathan Slack](#)  
**Cc:** [Patricia Herrera](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Replacement tree for 1325 Mountain Avenue  
**Date:** Thursday, July 21, 2022 8:37:12 AM

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**EXTERNAL**

Hi Nathan,

Thank you again for considering my proposal for an alternate tree.

Let me first propose my arguments against the Australian willow. Based on the example down the street and on the tree's natural growth characteristics, I believe that it is not an appropriate tree to be planted alongside the curb. First off, it's long, droopy limbs pose a hazard to both cars (parked or driving by close to the curb) as well as to pedestrians walking the pathway/sidewalk. Such is the case with the example down the street - it has limbs that hang down very low such that parking a car next to it is problematic. In fact, I took the time one day to watch the street sweeper drive by and observed the sweeper crashing through the branches, leaving small broken limbs and leaves in its path. Also, the interference to pedestrian traffic along the walkway poses a hazard to the pedestrian. Seems to me that this type of tree would need constant attention to maintain the characteristic droopy branches, which I'm sure the City does not have the time to do. In general, I find that this type of tree is more appropriate in an open space/park setting where there is no surrounding traffic (auto or pedestrian).

Another thing that I noticed about the willow up the street (which is planted right alongside the curb) is that both the sidewalk, the curb and the concrete shoulder alongside the curb were re-done within the last several years. What's more, all the new concrete is now lifting up again which indicates to me that the root system is somewhat invasive. I queried the neighbor about this and he told me that the City did replace all the concrete several years ago because it was lifting very badly and now, the situation is repeating itself.

Finally, I did a walk up Mountain Avenue for several blocks and did not see one other Australian willow. The only one that I see is the one in front of my neighbor's house just up the road. That being said, I don't see the reasoning behind this tree being required as a replacement tree based on the argument that this is a typical street tree.

I have several recommendations based on current tree population in my neighborhood and also based on some research.

My first choice is a Jacaranda tree. There is one already located on the other side of my driveway and placing a new one alongside the curb would be an appropriate match. Even more so, it would flow with the population of Jacaranda trees that currently exist in my immediate neighborhood - five Jacarandas within a one block radius. Finally, the root system is not invasive. The one next to the curb and my driveway has not caused any damage whatsoever to the hardscape and that tree is more than 25 years old!

My other choices are as follows:

Olive Tree - there are two in my immediate neighborhood - one of them literally across the street from my house. Slow growing, non-invasive root system, well defined canopy with no maintenance required.

Chinese Elm - for the same arguments listed above for the Olive tree

Maidenhair (Ginkgo biloba) - there are a couple just up the street and the fall colors of the leaves are just spectacular. Growth characteristics as noted for the Olive & Elm.

And finally, one other tree that I do not know the name of but have included photos of two of these trees just two blocks down from my house. I found them to be very appealing and appropriate as a street tree.





**Mountain Avenue  
Consolidated Species Information**

<b>Block numbers</b>	<b>No. of trees</b>	<b>Parkway Width</b>
<b>1300 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>17</b>	
Geijera parviflora	4	4
Jacaranda mimosifolia	3	4
Liquidambar styraciflua	1	4
Prunus cerasifera	2	4
Prunus persica	1	4
Quercus agrifolia	1	4
Syagrus romanzoffianum	1	4
Tipuana tipu	1	4
Vacant site	3	4
<b>1400 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>14</b>	
Eriobotrya deflexa	3	4
Jacaranda mimosifolia	1	4
Liquidambar styraciflua	1	4
Pittosporum undulatum	1	4
Vacant site	8	4
<b>1500 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>25</b>	
Arbutus 'Marina'	13	4
Arbutus unedo	1	4
Citrus sinensis	1	4
Ficus benjamina	1	4
Harpephyllum caffrum	1	4
Jacaranda mimosifolia	4	4
Koelreuteria paniculata	1	4
Nerium oleander	1	4
Vacant site	2	4
<b>1600 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>15</b>	
Arbutus 'Marina'	7	4
Arbutus unedo	3	4
Eriobotrya deflexa	4	4
Prunus domestica	1	4
<b>1700 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>22</b>	
Albizia julibrissin	1	4
Arbutus 'Marina'	2	4
Corymbia ficifolia	1	4
Jacaranda mimosifolia	2	4
Koelreuteria bipinnata	5	4
Melaleuca citrina	1	4
Platanus X hispanica	1	4
Pyrus kawakamii	1	4
Quercus agrifolia	2	4
Robinia pseudoacacia	1	4
Syagrus romanzoffianum	2	4
Vacant site	3	4

**Mountain Avenue  
Consolidated Species Information**

<b>1800 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>15</b>	
Brachychiton discolor	12	4
Styphnolobium japonicum	1	4
Vacant site	2	4
<b>1900 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>16</b>	
Geijera parviflora	11	4
Olea europaea	1	4
Pistacia chinensis	1	4
Vacant site	3	4
<b>2000 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>21</b>	
Geijera parviflora	14	4
Vacant site	4	4
Washingtonia robusta	3	4
<b>2100 block Mountain Ave.</b>	<b>18</b>	
Geijera parviflora	1	4
Liquidambar styraciflua	2	4
Prunus cerasifera	3	4
Schinus terebinthifolius	1	4
Stump	1	4
Ulmus parvifolia	7	4
Vacant site	3	4
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>163</b>	





City of Santa Barbara  
FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT

September 2022

**STREET TREE MASTER PLAN  
SPECIES DESIGNATION CHANGE  
FOR ADOPTION**

Date: 8/24/2022

Location: 00 - 500 blocks of W. Los Olivos

Street Present Species Designation:

00 Blk.	<i>Arbutus unedo</i> <i>Prosopis chilensis</i>	Strawberry Madrone Chilean Mesquite
100 Blk.	<i>Geijera parviflora</i>	Australian Willow
200 Blk.	<i>Pittosporum undulatum</i>	Victorian Box
300 Blk.	<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holly Oak
400 Blk.	<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork Oak
500 Blk.	<i>Platanus acerifolia</i>	London Plane Tree

Proposed co-designation to:

Existing Species Profile: *Parkinsonia aculeata*, Jerusalem Thorn, *Prosopis spp.*, Mesquite Species, *Arbutus unedo*, Strawberry Tree, *Pinus halepensis*, Aleppo Pine, *Spathodea campanulata*, African Tulip Tree, *Pittosporum undulatum*, Victorian Box, *Liquidambar styraciflua*, American Sweetgum, *Acacia melanoxylon*, Black Acacia, *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, Jacaranda, *Geijera parviflora*, Australian Willow, *Syagrus romanzoffianum*, Queen Palm, *Quilaja saponaria*, Soapbark Tree, *Quercus ilex*, Holly Oak, *Quercus agrifolia*, Coast Live Oak, *Platanus racemosa*, California Sycamore, *Schinus molle*, California Pepper, *Grevillea robusta*, Silk Oak, *Quercus suber*, Cork Oak, *Afrocarpus falcatus*, Fern Pine, *Metrosideros excelsus*, New Zealand Christmas Tree, *Cinnamomum camphora*, Camphor Tree, *Pyrus kawakamii*, Evergreen Pear, and *Fraxinus malacophylla*, Japanese Ash

**PARK COMMISSION ACTION  
PHOTO INVENTORY**

Change Adopted:

Change Denied:

Date of Action:

**W. Los Olivos Consolidated  
Species Information**

<b>Block numbers</b>	<b>No. of Trees</b>	<b>Parkway Width</b>
<b>0 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>19</b>	
Arbutus unedo	3	6
Liquidambar styraciflua	1	6
Parkinsonia aculeata	2	6
Phoenix canariensis	1	6
Pittosporum undulatum	4	6
Prosopis spp.	1	6
Spathodea campanulata	1	6
Unsuitable site	5	6
Vacant site	1	6
<b>100 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>19</b>	
Geijera parviflora	3	6
Ginkgo biloba	1	6
Liquidambar styraciflua	1	6
Pittosporum undulatum	2	6
Stump	1	6
Syagrus romanzoffianum	2	6
Unsuitable site	3	6
Vacant site	4	6
Washingtonia robusta	2	6
<b>200 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>20</b>	
Grevillea robusta	1	6
Hymenosporum flavum	2	6
Jacaranda mimosifolia	1	6
Other tree	1	6
Pittosporum undulatum	4	6
Quercus agrifolia	1	6
Quercus ilex	6	6
Unsuitable site	2	6
Vacant site	1	6
Washingtonia robusta	1	6
<b>300 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>24</b>	
Cinnamomum camphora	4	8
Metrosideros excelsus	2	8
Platanus racemosa	1	8
Quercus agrifolia	1	8
Quercus ilex	4	8
Syagrus romanzoffianum	4	8
Unsuitable site	6	8
Vacant site	2	8

**W. Los Olivos Consolidated  
Species Information**

<b>400 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>20</b>	
Jacaranda mimosifolia	4	9
Pinus halepensis	1	9
Pittosporum undulatum	4	9
Quercus agrifolia	7	9
Quercus ilex	1	9
Quercus suber	1	9
Unsuitable site	2	9
<b>500 block W. Los Olivos St.</b>	<b>11</b>	
Jacaranda mimosifolia	2	9
Quercus agrifolia	7	9
Vacant site	2	9
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>113</b>	