



AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING OF
CITY COUNCIL/SAN DIMAS
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010, 5:30 P. M.
SENIOR CITIZEN/COMMUNITY CENTER
MEETING ROOM, 201 E. BONITA AVE.

COUNCIL:

Mayor Curtis W. Morris
Mayor Pro Tem John Ebiner
Councilmember Emmett Badar
Councilmember Denis Bertone
Councilmember Jeff Templeman

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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- a. Members of the Audience

3. STUDY SESSION PLANNING MATTERS

- a. Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project.
- b. Tree Ordinance - report on Staff administration since last update and discussion of potential changes and adjustments.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, May 25, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

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Agenda Item Staff Report

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
For the study session of May 25, 2010

From: Blaine Michaelis, City Manager

Initiated By: Theresa Bruns, Director of Parks and Recreation *tb*

Subject: Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project

Summary

The Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project addresses the installation of landscaping along the perimeter of the City's undeveloped property at this location.

BACKGROUND

The project area for the Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project includes the perimeter of the undeveloped City property bounded by Cataract Avenue on the east, Bonita Avenue on the north and Acacia Street on the west.

The landscape area for the project totals 31,960 square feet, and the scope of work includes soil preparation and grading; irrigation and landscape installation. Currently there is a berm along the perimeter of the property with approximately 35 trees in place. Of the 35 trees, 2 are scheduled for removal, and the remaining 33 trees will be incorporated into the landscape plan. Thirty-six additional trees are scheduled to be planted.

The plant palette includes drought tolerant plants and trees, and has been designed to meet the current water efficient landscape requirements. The plan includes a design and installation of an irrigation system, as currently there is no irrigation at this location.

The proposed 2010-2011 budget includes a \$92,000 allocation in Fund 30 for this project.

RECOMMENDATION

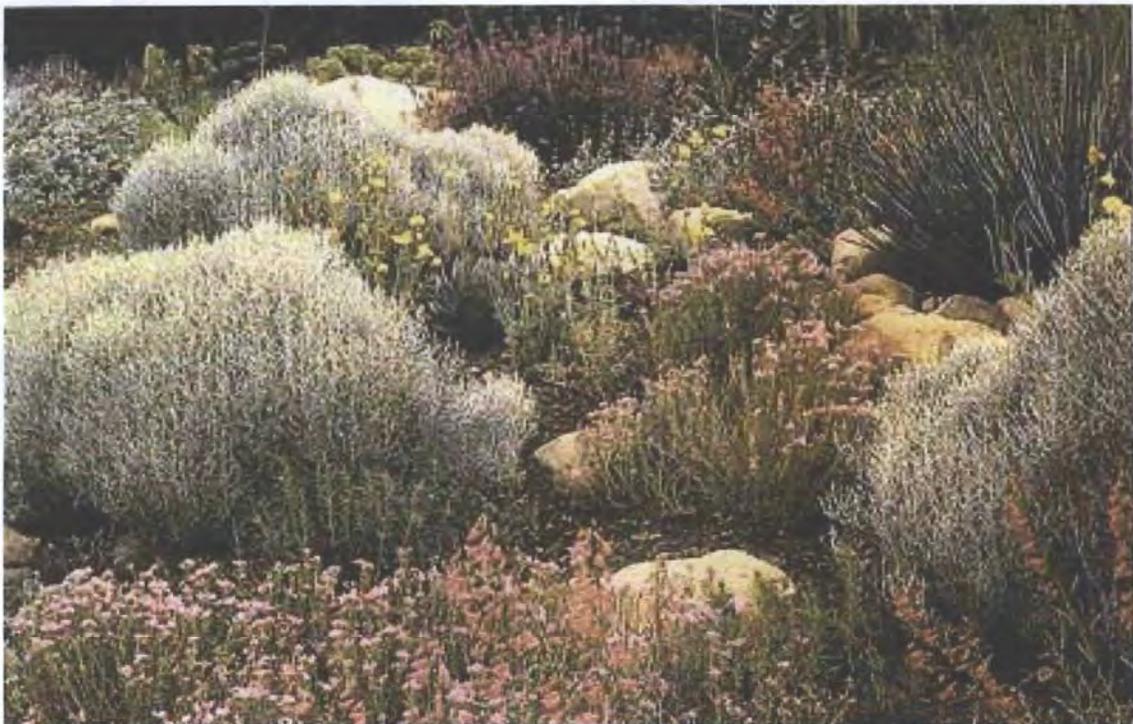
Receive staff report and presentation and approve the Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project to be advertised for public bid.

Attachments:

- Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project plant palette
- Cataract and Bonita Landscape Improvement Project plan

Cataract & Bonita Intersection Plant Palette

City of San Dimas



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Cercis occidentalis
Western Redbud



Arbutus 'Marinia'
Strawberry Tree

Trees & Large Shrubs

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Rhamnus californica 'Eve's Case'
Dwarf Coffee Berry



Eriogonum arborescens
Santa Cruz Island Buckwheat



Agave attenuate
Foxtail Agave

Shrubs & Perennials

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Erigeron karvinskianus
Santa Barbara Daisy



Salvia clevelandii
Cleveland Sage



Mahonia repens
Trailing Oregon Grape

Shrubs & Perennials

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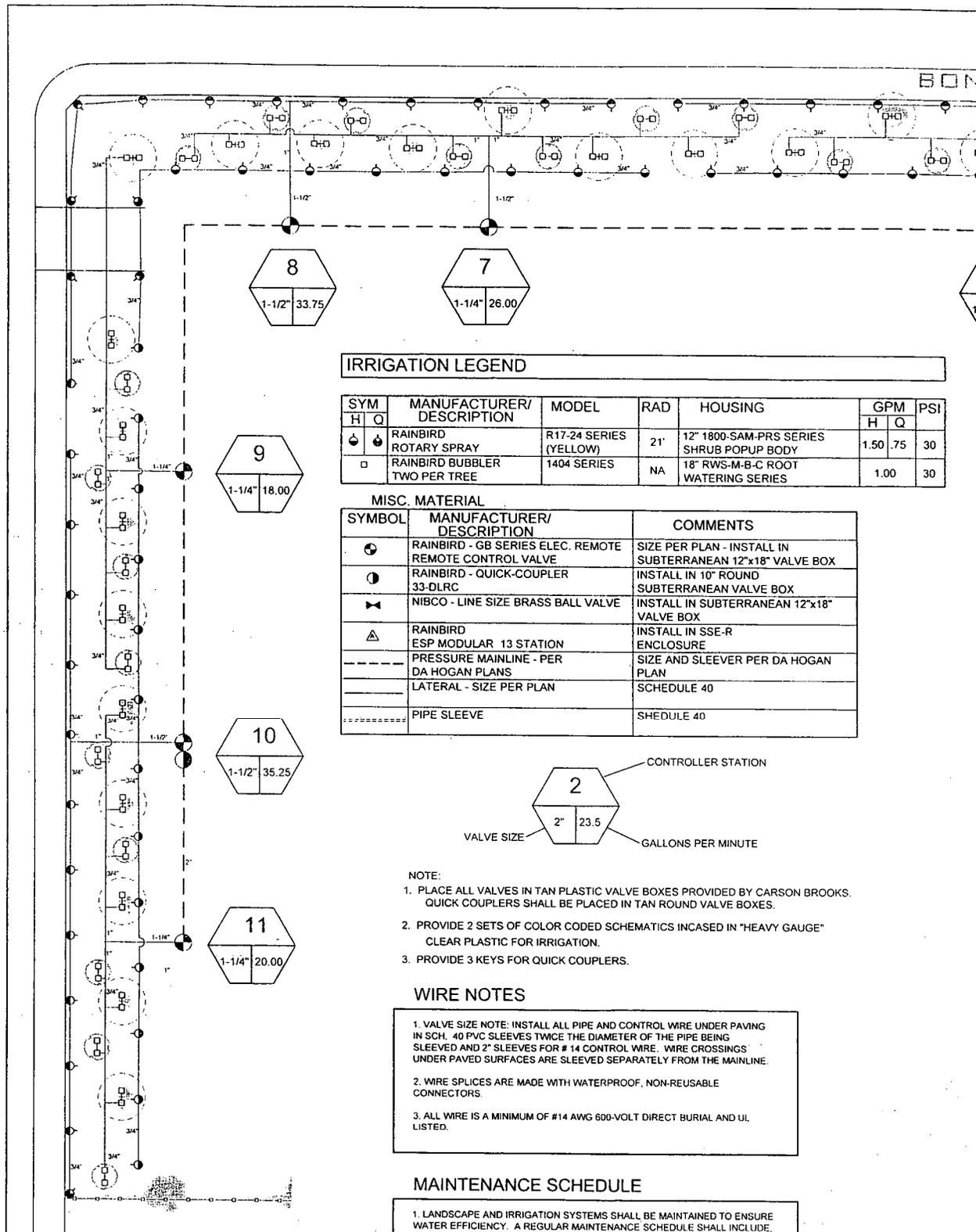
Archtostaphylos 'Emeral Caerpet'
Trailing Manzanita

Pennisetum setaceum 'Red Riding Hood'
Dwarf Red Fountain Grass



Shrubs & Perennials

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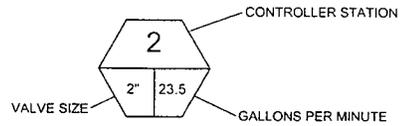


IRRIGATION LEGEND

SYM	MANUFACTURER/ DESCRIPTION	MODEL	RAD	HOUSING	GPM		PSI
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	RAINBIRD ROTARY SPRAY	R17-24 SERIES (YELLOW)	21'	12" 1800-SAM-PRS SERIES SHRUB POPUP BODY	1.50	.75	30
	RAINBIRD BUBBLER TWO PER TREE	1404 SERIES	NA	18" RWS-M-B-C ROOT WATERING SERIES	1.00		30

MISC. MATERIAL

SYMBOL	MANUFACTURER/ DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
	RAINBIRD - GB SERIES ELEC. REMOTE REMOTE CONTROL VALVE	SIZE PER PLAN - INSTALL IN SUBTERRANEAN 12"x18" VALVE BOX
	RAINBIRD - QUICK-COUPLER 33-DLRC	INSTALL IN 10" ROUND SUBTERRANEAN VALVE BOX
	NIBCO - LINE SIZE BRASS BALL VALVE	INSTALL IN SUBTERRANEAN 12"x18" VALVE BOX
	RAINBIRD ESP MODULAR 13 STATION	INSTALL IN SSE-R ENCLOSURE
	PRESSURE MAINLINE - PER DA HOGAN PLANS	SIZE AND SLEEVE PER DA HOGAN PLAN
	LATERAL - SIZE PER PLAN	SCHEDULE 40
	PIPE SLEEVE	SCHEDULE 40



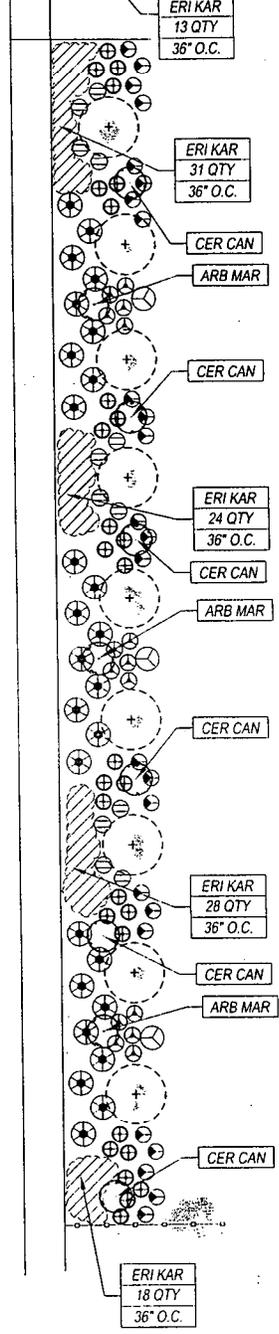
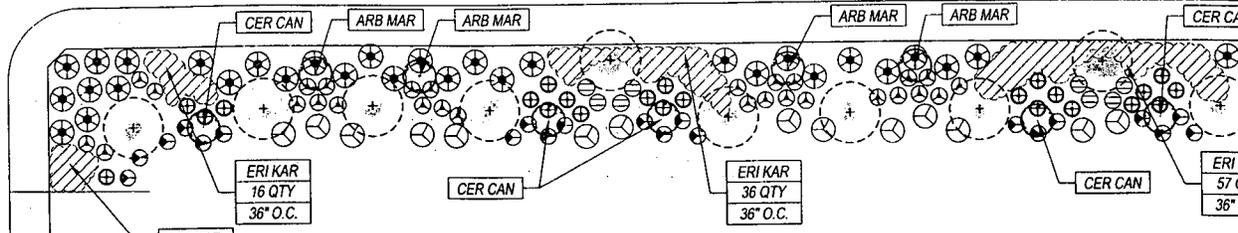
- NOTE:**
1. PLACE ALL VALVES IN TAN PLASTIC VALVE BOXES PROVIDED BY CARSON BROOKS. QUICK COUPLERS SHALL BE PLACED IN TAN ROUND VALVE BOXES.
 2. PROVIDE 2 SETS OF COLOR CODED SCHEMATICS INCASED IN "HEAVY GAUGE" CLEAR PLASTIC FOR IRRIGATION.
 3. PROVIDE 3 KEYS FOR QUICK COUPLERS.

WIRE NOTES

1. VALVE SIZE NOTE: INSTALL ALL PIPE AND CONTROL WIRE UNDER PAVING IN SCH. 40 PVC SLEEVES TWICE THE DIAMETER OF THE PIPE BEING SLEEVED AND 2" SLEEVES FOR # 14 CONTROL WIRE. WIRE CROSSINGS UNDER PAVED SURFACES ARE SLEEVED SEPARATELY FROM THE MAINLINE.
2. WIRE SPLICES ARE MADE WITH WATERPROOF, NON-REUSABLE CONNECTORS.
3. ALL WIRE IS A MINIMUM OF #14 AWG 600-VOLT DIRECT BURIAL AND UL LISTED.

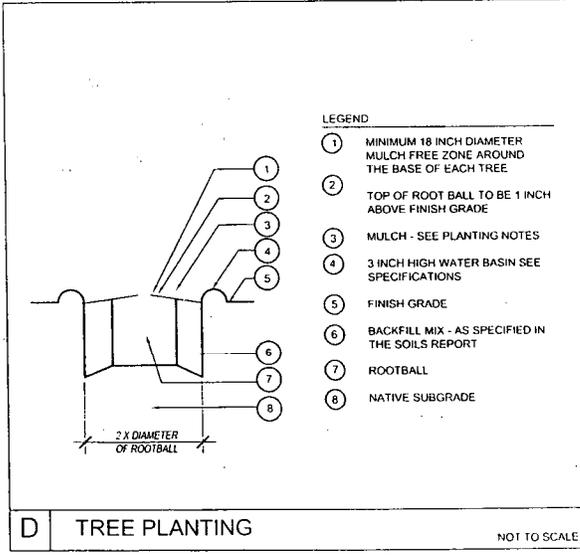
MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

1. LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION SYSTEMS SHALL BE MAINTAINED TO ENSURE WATER EFFICIENCY. A REGULAR MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, CHECKING ADJUSTING, REPAIRING IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT, RESETTNG THE TIME CLOCKS MONTHLY, AERATING AND DETHATCHING TURF AREAS, REPLENISHING MULCH, FERTILIZING, PRUNING AND WEEDING ALL PLANTED AREAS.
2. WHENEVER POSSIBLE, REPAIR OF IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT SHALL BE DONE WITH ORIGINALLY SPECIFIED MATERIALS OR THEIR EQUIVALENTS.
3. PROGRAMMED IRRIGATION SHOULD ONLY OCCUR FROM 9 P.M. TO 9 A.M. DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.



PLANTING NOTES

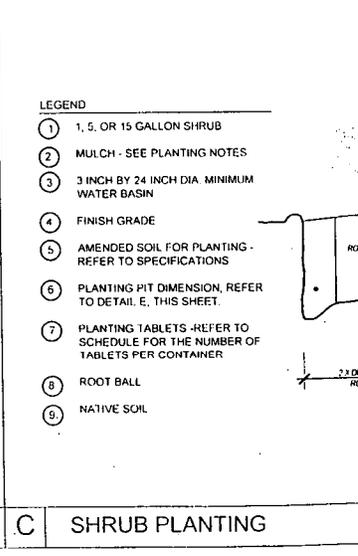
- All local, municipal, county and state laws, rules, and regulations governing or relating to any portion of this work are hereby incorporated into and made part of the project plans and specifications; and their provisions shall be carried out by the Contractor. Additionally, all work shall be done in accordance with the applicable sections of the latest edition of the APWA, Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction, ("Green Book"), and the project specifications.
Whenever special requirements conflict on any subject matter, the Engineer, or his/her designated representative, will determine which special requirements and/or codes shall govern.
- The Contractor shall notify underground Service Alert of Southern California (Dig Alert) at least two (2) working days before digging, excavating, or construction. Phone 1-800-422-4333.
- The Contractor shall not proceed with construction as shown on the plans when it is obvious in the field that unknown obstructions, grade differences, or discrepancies in area configuration or sizes, or in dimensions exist that might not have been considered in engineering. Such obstructions, or differences, should be brought to the attention of the Engineer, or his designated representative. In the event this notification is not performed, the Contractor shall assume full responsibility for any revisions necessary and shall perform such revisions at his own expense.
- Finish grade all planting areas to achieve a minimum 2% drainage and smooth and even condition, making sure that no water pockets or irregularities remain in areas where infiltration grading and mounding does not occur. Remove and dispose of all surface stones, roots, woods, debris, foreign materials, clods, and rocks over (1) inch in diameter so that after conditioning and planting the grade is two inches (2") below adjacent hardscape except along curb cut areas. Contractor is to ensure smooth transition from existing to new grade.
- All inspections herein specified shall be made by the Engineer, or his/her designated representative. The Contractor shall request inspection at least 48 hours in advance of the time the inspection is required.
- All existing landscaped areas damaged during construction must be restored to their original condition at the Contractor's expense. Restoration of existing landscape areas shall be done to the satisfaction of the Engineer.
- All plant material shall be subject to the inspection and approval of the Engineer, or his/her designated representative, before planting. All plant material delivered on-site will be inspected for size and condition of root defects. Plants not approved are to be removed from the site and replaced with suitable plants. The Engineer reserves the right to reject entire lots of plants represented by defective samples. All plant material delivered to the site.
- Tree staking is as indicated per Planting Details.
- Final location of all plant material is subject to the approval of the Engineer.
- The Contractor is responsible for count verification and is to delineate GRAPHICALLY on plans.
- Maintenance shall begin immediately after inspection and approval by the Engineer, or his designated representative. Maintenance shall be performed per the schedule of ninety (90) days. Maintenance shall be performed per the schedule of ninety (90) days.
- Supplemental hand watering may be required during the 90-day period to establish plant material.
- New trees shall be planted at least 24" from fence posts, curbs, or other structures directed other wise by the Engineer.
- Place wood chip mulch in all planted areas at a depth of 3" within 6" dia. of any plant material. Contractor to provide sawdust mulch to the Engineer prior to installation. Refer to specifications. Install in areas planted with *Cotoneaster dammeri*.



- LEGEND**
- MINIMUM 18 INCH DIAMETER MULCH FREE ZONE AROUND THE BASE OF EACH TREE
 - TOP OF ROOT BALL TO BE 1 INCH ABOVE FINISH GRADE
 - MULCH - SEE PLANTING NOTES
 - 3 INCH HIGH WATER BASIN SEE SPECIFICATIONS
 - FINISH GRADE
 - BACKFILL MIX - AS SPECIFIED IN THE SOILS REPORT
 - ROOTBALL
 - NATIVE SUBGRADE

D TREE PLANTING

NOT TO SCALE

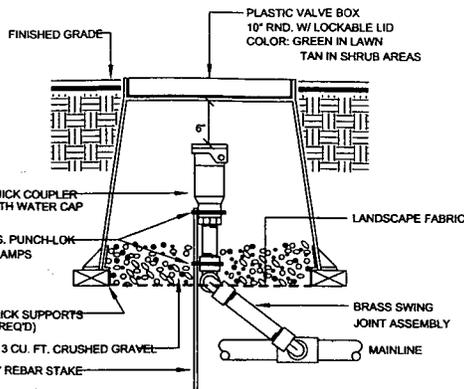


- LEGEND**
- 1, 5, OR 15 GALLON SHRUB
 - MULCH - SEE PLANTING NOTES
 - 3 INCH BY 24 INCH DIA. MINIMUM WATER BASIN
 - FINISH GRADE
 - AMENDED SOIL FOR PLANTING - REFER TO SPECIFICATIONS
 - PLANTING PIT DIMENSION, REFER TO DETAIL E, THIS SHEET.
 - PLANTING TABLETS - REFER TO SCHEDULE FOR THE NUMBER OF TABLETS PER CONTAINER
 - ROOT BALL
 - NATIVE SOIL

C SHRUB PLANTING

DIG ALERT Dig Safely
 DIAL TOLL FREE 811
 AT LEAST TWO DAYS BEFORE YOU DIG
 UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

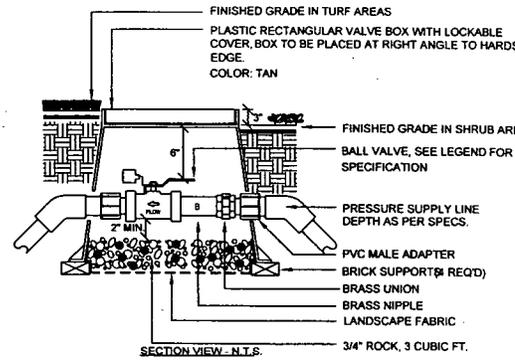
IRRIGATION AND PLANTING



NOTE:
HEAT BRAND LID AS
'QC' IN 2" LETTERS

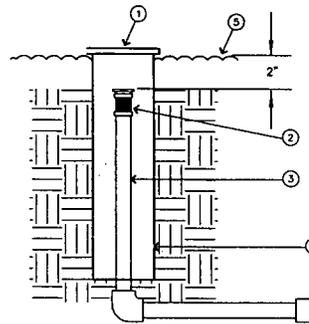
D QUICK COUPLER

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NOTE:
BOX TO BE INSTALLED AS TO ALLOW FOR PROPER OPERATION OF BALL VALVE
INSTALL AT RIGHT ANGLE TO HARDSCAPE EDGE. INSTALL VALVE OFF-CENTER IN BOX.

C BALL VALVE



LEGEND

- ① DRAIN CAP
- ② RAINBIRD 1404 BUBBLER.
- ③ PVC RISER -- SCH. 80
- ④ PVC LATERAL PER PLAN.
- ⑤ FINISH GRADE
- ⑥ 4" PERFORATED PIPE -- FILL WITH PEA GRAVEL EACH PIPE IS TO BE 30" LONG. CONTRACTOR TO PLACE (3) DEEP WATERING PIPES PER PALM and (2) PER TREE.

G BUBBLER

PROJECT LANDSCAPE AREA: = 31,960 SQUARE FEET
 MAXIMUM WATER BUDGET: = (ETO) (0.8) (AREA) (.62)
 = (55.1) (0.8) (31,960) (.62)
 = 873,454.02 (GALLONS/YEAR)

ESTIMATED WATER USE TURF: = (ETO) (KC) (AREA) (.62) / (IE)
 = (55.1) (.80) (0) (.62) / (.70)
 = 0 (GALLONS/YEAR)

ESTIMATED WATER USE SHRUBS: = (ETO) (KC) (AREA) (.62) / (IE)
 = (55.1) (.3) (31,960) (.62) / (.70)
 = 467,921.79 (GALLONS/YEAR)

TOTAL ESTIMATED WATER USE: = 467,921.79 (GALLONS/YEAR)
 25% RAINFALL: (10) (.25) (.8) (31,960) = -63,920.00 (GALLONS/YEAR)
 TOTAL = 404,001.79 (GALLONS/YEAR)

TOTAL LANDSCAPE AREA
 SQ. FT. OF TURF = 0
 SQ. FT. OF SHRUB = 31,960
 TOTAL AREA = 31,960





MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 25, 2010
TO: City Council
FROM: Marco A. Espinoza, Associate Planner
SUBJECT: Tree Preservation Update

During the November 2006, City Council Retreat several points and concepts were brought up for Staff to consider during their code text amendment to the Tree Preservation Ordinance. The Tree Preservation Ordinance was amended at the end of 2006 and many of the Council's concerns were addressed as part of the amendment. The following chart lists the Council's concerns expressed during the 2006 retreat and how they have been addressed with the latest approved code text amendment.

Exhibit A (attached) discusses in more detail the code amendments that were approved by the Council on December 12, 2006. The Exhibit also discusses two items Staff feels should be addressed if there is further amending to the Tree Preservation Ordinance.

City Council Concerns	How The Concerns Were Addressed
Council willing to consider 1 for 1 replacement on a removal request. Also, willing to not require a replacement at all if the property still maintains a 'good number of trees'.	Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.060(A), see attached memorandum item No. 2.
Replacement size for traditional removal requests - 24" box tree requirement is expensive and could be considered punitive – willing to consider 5 gallon replacement requirement because it could grow into a better tree.	Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.060(A), see attached memorandum item No. 1.

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Remove requirement and expense for an arborist report to confirm a dead or diseased tree.	Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.080(G), see attached memorandum item No. 5.
Consider a backyard exemption – requirements to only apply to front yard trees.	Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.060(A)(2), see attached memorandum item No. 3.
Question: Perhaps the tree ordinance should only deal with heritage or rare trees – or particular tree species such as oak?	This item was brought up but was not discussed further during the 2006 amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance.
How should we deal with heritage trees? Inventory them, establish care requirements, extend those requirements to the owner, and monitor and administer the program. Or, should we even take on heritage tree management?	This item was brought up but was not discussed further during the 2006 amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance.
Should we establish trimming standards and trimming permit requirements for private trees? Should it affect all trees, just front yard trees, particular species, such as an oak, etc. Or, should we even take on private tree maintenance management?	The City currently provides tree pruning guidelines established by the U.S. Forest Service. Trimming trees dose not require permits at this time in addition, set pruning standards maybe difficult to enforce.
People are not aware of the tree ordinance – what can be done to educate the public on the ordinance and its requirements. How can we better educate residents on tree care generally?	<p>Since 2006, Staff has incorporated more information regarding the Tree Preservation Ordinance on-line.</p> <p>The Planning Division and Parks and Recreation Department both have various handouts regarding tree care, pruning, maintenance, etc.</p> <p>The City has also hired an arborist that is involved with many community events, bring more awareness to the community of the City's Tree Preservation Ordinance.</p>

Other comments from council at the time:

<p>Okay to consider the following when approving tree removals: swimming pool; existing or potential damage to a wall, sidewalk or foundation; the number of existing trees on the property (it is possible that many properties over planted trees and those trees can be issues in 20 years). Okay to take out trees before they create damage.</p>	<p>The first part of this concern regarding potential damage to the property is already addressed in the Code, the second part of the concern is addressed Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.060(A)(3), see attached memorandum item No. 4.</p>
<p>Let's support the principles of good tree growth – size of planting, thinning of trees can be needed and good.</p>	<p>Per Code Amendment Section 18.162.060(A)(2), see attached memorandum items No. 2 and No. 4.</p>
<p>Do not feel it is our business to go into the backyard regarding trees.</p>	<p>This item was brought up and discussed but there was not enough support for further discussion and/or action, during the 2006, amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance.</p>
<p>If a person wants to change their landscaping they should be able to.</p>	<p>Yes, with some oversight.</p>

EXHIBIT A

On December 12, 2006, the City Council approved Municipal Code Text Amendment 06-03, revising the Tree Preservation Ordinance (Chapter 18.162) to address several issues of concern.

The following is an update on some of the key issues of concern that were addressed. The chart below explains how the amendments have been implemented and the resulting outcomes. Even though most of the amendments affect all properties in the City, the changes have had the most impact on single-family residential properties, which was the Council's main concern.

	AMENDMENT	IMPLEMENTATION	OUTCOME
1.	<p>The following code section was changed to reduce the minimum container size of a replacement tree from 24" box to 15 gallon.</p> <p><i>Tree relocation and/or two for one replacement with minimum fifteen-gallon box tree(s), or other replacement of equivalent value and size, within the subject property. The two for one replacement ratio may be reduced as determined by the final decision making body, if a minimum of one of the following additional findings are made:</i></p> <p>Code Sec.18.162.060(A).</p>	<p>Staff has implemented this requirement on all Tree Permit Applications except in a few circumstances.</p>	<p>This amendment has helped residents in several ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It has reduced the cost of replacement trees significantly. 2. The 15 gallon container is more manageable for a resident to handle versus a 24" box which requires additional help.
2.	<p>The following code section was changed to allow for the 2:1 replacement requirement to be reduced by the final decision making body.</p> <p><i>Tree relocation and/or two for one replacement with minimum fifteen-gallon box tree(s), or other replacement of equivalent value and size, within the subject property. The two for one replacement ratio may be</i></p>	<p>Final decision making body must make one of three finding.</p>	<p>Allowing for a reduction in the tree replacement has significantly reduced the residents' conflict with this section of the code. In 2008, 59% of the approved Tree Permits allowed a reduced replacement, and in 2009 it was 77%.</p>

	<p><i>reduced as determined by the final decision making body, if a minimum of one of the following additional findings are made:</i> Code Sec.18.162.060(A).</p>		
3.	<p>The following code section was added as a Finding to allow for a reduced tree replacement requirement.</p> <p><i>“The tree(s) in question are located where the impact of the tree removal on the community is limited (such as trees in a generally flat portion of the rear yard of a single-family house that are deemed to have less public benefit).”</i> Code Sec.18.162.060(A)(2).</p>	<p>Staff visits the site and evaluates the impact to the community regarding the tree(s) proposed for removal from the rear yard. If the rear yard is relatively flat and the impact to the site is not significant, a replacement reduction may be granted.</p>	<p>This new finding allows Staff to grant a reduced tree replacement when the resident does not want to replace the tree(s) removed and the impact of the tree removal does not negatively affect the community visually. The following shows the amount of Tree Permits that were allowed a tree replacement reduction based on this finding;</p> <p>2008 - 3 Permits 2009 - 2 Permits</p>
4.	<p>The following code section was added as a Finding to also allow for a reduced tree replacement requirement.</p> <p><i>“The property in question has an adequate number of existing trees therefore a reduced replacement ratio is appropriate.”</i> Code Sec.18.162.060(A)(3).</p>	<p>Staff visits the site and evaluates the number of existing trees on the subject lot, in relationship to the lot size and building configuration, to determine the number of replacement trees, if any.</p>	<p>This new finding has allowed Staff to determine the appropriate number of replacement trees for the site, allowing for good forestry and proper growth of the trees. The following shows the amount of Tree Permits that were allowed a tree replacement reduction based on this finding;</p> <p>2008 - 22 Permits 2009 - 19 Permits</p>
5.	<p>The following section of the code was added to exempt dead, diseased or dying trees from traditional review for removal and replacement requirements.</p> <p><i>“Trees declared to be dead, diseased or dying, subject to</i></p>	<p>Even though dead, diseased or dying trees are exempt, applicant’s still need to provide verification of the trees’ current condition. This is typically done by providing Staff with an application and photos of the tree; approval tends to be given</p>	<p>This new amendment has allowed for the review and approval process of dead, diseased or dying trees to be simple and efficient for Staff and residents. The following shows the amount of Tree Permits submitted for dead, diseased or dying;</p>

	<p><i>the requirements of Section 18.162.090;</i>" Code Sec.18.162.080(G).</p>	<p>at the same time. If needed, Staff will consult with the City Arborist and/or request an independent arborist's report.</p>	<p>2008 - 15 Permits 2009 - 13 Permits</p>
6.	<p>The following "Penalty" section of the code was changed from requiring a 4:1 tree replacement to "up to" a 4:1 ratio.</p> <p><i>"As set forth in Section 18.162.010, it is the intent of this chapter to preserve to the greatest extent possible those trees which have contributed to the beauty of the city and the welfare of its residents. It is therefore the expressed intent of the city council that, to the extent legally permissible, upon conviction of any person pursuant to subsection A of this section, in lieu of incarceration, conditions of probation be placed upon such violator requiring the replacement of each tree removed in violation of this chapter with up to four trees of a similar species of not less than a twenty-four inch box size, or other replacement of equivalent value and size, whichever is greater. The number, size and location of the equivalent replacement tree shall be determined by the director of development services. For the purpose of this section, a suitable location may include an off-site location".</i> Code Sec. 18.162.130(B).</p>	<p>Staff visits the site and evaluates the appropriate number of replacement trees based on lot size and building configuration.</p>	<p>Amending this section of the code has allowed for more reasonable and logical replacement numbers to be imposed. The following shows the amount of Tree Permits submitted relating to the "Penalty" section of the code for removing tree(s) without a permit;</p> <p>2008 - 2 Permits 2009 - None</p>

ISSUES OF CONCERN

There are two issues Staff feels need to be addressed as code amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance;

1. Removal of dead, diseased or dying trees when part of a grove, commercial or residential planned development.
2. Allowing for some development or fill within the drip line.

Removal of dead, diseased or dying trees when part of a grove, commercial or residential planned development can create a significant negative visual appearance. Staff has had a few instances where a residential HOA submitted an application to remove a large number of dead trees from their common area without having to provide a tree replacement plan. Removal of the trees created wide open spaces that looked bare and undesirable. The intention of exempting dead, diseased or dying trees from the tree permit process was for one or so trees on single-family residential properties; not for a commercial or residential planned developments removing large number of trees.

As for development or fill within the drip line, there have been several instances where development is proposed within the drip line of an existing tree which would not negatively affect the life of the tree. Unfortunately Staff is unable to allow the development and the project needs to be redesigned. With careful Staff evaluation and an arborist's report, Staff feels that there should be some flexibility on this issue.

Staff recommends that the Council consider amending the Tree Preservation Ordinance to establish new regulations for removing four or more dead, diseased and/or dying trees, the applicant must go through the normal tree permit process, and would also recommend establishing regulations allowing for some development or fill when appropriate and the applicant has submitted an arborist's report determining that the proposed work would not negatively affect the life of the tree.

CONCLUSION

The 2007, amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance have for the last two years significantly helped streamline and simplify the Tree Permit application process and procedures for the residents and Staff. Staff feels that the above mentioned amendments have made the tree replacement requirement more sensible by allowing Staff to evaluate the subject property rather than requiring a predetermined number of replacement trees that are not suitable for the site. This was one of the biggest complaints received from the public, which has significantly dropped. Staff recommends that no changes be made to the Tree Preservation Ordinance except for the above mentioned issues of concern.

ATTACHMENTS: 2008 TREE PERMIT LOG
 2009 TREE PERMIT LOG

2008 Tree Permits

Case No.	Date Submitted	Address	Tree Removal Request	Location of Tree Removal	Tree Replacement Requirements
08-01	1/17/08	718 Briarwood Tiburon HOA	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	2 Trees
08-02	1/23/08	2182 Terrebonne Ave	1 Tree	Front yard	2 Trees
08-03	1/25/08	2755 Dalepark	1 Tree	Side yard	2 Trees
08-04	1/31/08	Cinnamon Creek HOA	55 Trees	HOA Common Area	30 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-05	2/4/08	1615 N. San Dimas Canyon Road	1 Tree	Front yard	2 Trees
08-06	2/4/08	413 Oakglen Ct.	1 Tree	Rear yard	2 Trees
08-07	3/11/08	NWC Bonita & San Dimas Canyon Road	8 trees see TTM 07-01 (69609)	Parking Lot	Replacemnt trees part of the developemnt plan
08-08	3/17/08	156 W. Via Vaquero	1 Tree	Private patio area wihtin HOA	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(2)
08-09	3/21/08	758 Smokewood Lane Tiburon HOA	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	2 Trees
08-10	3/27/08	La Cuesta Encantada HOA	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-11	3/27/08	1652 Eaglecliff Drive	1 Tree	Front yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-12	4/22/08	1628 Grasscreek Dr	1 Tree	Side yard	No Replacment, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-13	4/23/08	550 E. De Anza Heights	1 Tree	Side yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-14	4/30/08	145 Bonita Avenue	Denied		

08-15	5/12/08	222 Teague Dr. Canyon Creek Village	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-16	5/16/08	200 Abilene Road	2 Tree	Rear yard	2 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-17	5/23/08	1345 Paseo Encinas	1 Tree	Rear yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(2)
08-18	6/3/08	1623 San Dimas Canyon Rd (Rock House)	9 Trees	Rear yard	4 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-19	6/6/08	2025 Calle Leandro	1 Tree	Side yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(2)
08-20	6/16/08	1407 Paseo Marlana	2 Trees approved 4 Trees denied	HOA Common Area	2 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-21	6/20/08	109 West Fourth Street	1 Tree	Front yard	1 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-22	6/24/08	356 Via Vaquero La Cuesta Encantada HOA	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-23	7/7/08	1340 Paseo Gracia	1 Tree	Side yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-24	7/8/08	1146 Walnut	1 Tree	Front yard	2 Trees
08-25	7/16/08	943 Deerflats	2 Trees	Front yard	4 Trees
08-26	7/21/08	526 W. Gladstone St.	1 Tree	Front yard	2 Trees
08-27	7/24/08	210 Prairie Drive	1 Trees approved 1 Trees denied	Front yard	2 Trees
08-28	8/27/08	408 West Arrow Hwy	1 Tree	Parking Lot	1 trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-29	8/14/08	1155 Norgate	1 Tree	Front yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)

08-30	8/26/08	1140 Oakengate Road Paragon HOA	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-31	8/27/08	198 W. Via Vaquero Montecito Village HOA	App. to change out replacement specie tree from 07-05 permit.		
08-32	8/27/08	333 Pony Express Par	app removal of 1 tree w/ no replacement	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-33	8/18/08	935 Puente St. Via Verde Heatherglen HOA	1 Tree	Front yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-34	9/23/08	321 W. Covina Blvd. Louis Vuitton	1 Tree	Parking Lot	1 trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
08-35	9/29/08	Canyon Creek Village HOA	1 Alive Tree & 2 Dead Trees	HOA Common Area	1 trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3) & for the dead tree - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-36	9/29/08	753 Smokewood Tiburon Puddingstone HOA	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	2 trees
08-37	10/16/08	627 W. Allen	2 trees	Vacant lot, New development	4 trees
08-38	10/27/08	1425 W. Arro w Hwy (Stater Bros)	Denied		
08-39	11/3/08	404 W. Third Street	2 trees	Side yard	4 trees
08-40	11/14/08	807 Calle Arroyo	Incomplete Application		
08-41	12/5/08	1154 Oakengate Road	Denied		
08-42	10/27/08	400 W. Bonita Avenue	Incomplete Application		
08-43	12/30/08	800 W. Cienega	4 Trees	Parking Lot	8 trees

08-44	2/28/2008	Via Verde heatherglen HOA	53 Trees	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-45	3/3/2008	Cinnamon Creek HOA	7 Trees	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-46	5/21/2008	131 W. 5th Street	1 Tree	Rear yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-47	5/23/2008	2009 Scarborough Dr.	1 Tree	Rear yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-48	5/28/2008	601 Briarwood	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-49	6/23/2008	336 Cody Rd.	1 Tree	Front yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-50	7/1/2008	1943 Via Justino	1 Tree	Front yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-51	7/24/2008	Montecito Village HOA	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-52	8/5/2008	1811 Newcastle Lane	1 Tree	Rear yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-53	8/20/2008	314 Moore Lane	1 Tree	Rear yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-54	9/11/2008	117 W. 4th Street	1 Tree	Front yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-55	9/15/2008	Glenwood Townhomes HOA	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)

08-56	10/17/2008	534 N. Walnut	1 Tree	Front yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
08-57	12/15/2008	1346 Calle Rosamaria	1 Tree	Front yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)

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Case No.	Date Submitted	Address	Tree Removal Request	Location of Tree Removal	Tree Replacemnt Requirmentents
09-01	01/06/09	266 Teague Canyon Creek Village	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-02	01/12/09	Common Area behind 1926 Avenida Monte Vista	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-03	01/22/09	City of San Dimas - Parking Lot District 1	approved with no replacement requirements indicated.		
09-04	01/23/09	441 West Fourth Street	4 Trees	Front & Rear yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-05	02/03/09	216 West Fourth Street	1Tree	Front Yard	2 Trees
09-06	02/06/09	1236 Calle Estrella	1Tree	Front Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-07	03/03/09	400-402 Via Vaquero	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-08	03/18/09	1760 Paseo Feliz	Incomplete Application		
09-09	03/23/09	1239 Liverpool Ct.	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-10	03/26/09	1539 Avenida Colina	1 Tree	Front Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-11	03/26/09	1262 Forestglen Avenue	1 Tree	Private Patio Area within HOA	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-12	04/21/09	762 W. Cypress (CUP 09-03)	2 Trees	Parking Lot Area	12 Trees

09-13	04/29/09	Tiburon Puddingstone HOA	3 Trees	HOA Common Area	5 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-14	5/18/09	1004 Calle Carillo	2 Trees	Street Side Yard	3 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-15	05/21/09	1156 Camino del Sur	1 Tree	Rear Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(2)
09-16	05/29/09	268 Calle Rosa	2 Trees	Side Yard	2 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-17	6/5/09	1901 Via Justino	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	4 Trees
09-18	09/18/09	Lone Hill Business Park	24 Trees	Parking Lot Area	24 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-19	7/15/09	1311 Paseo Anacapa	2 Trees	Front Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-20	7/17/09	814 Greely Ct.	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-21	7/23/09	237 E. Third Street	1 Tree	Rear Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(2)
09-22	8/11/09	502 W. Bonita Avenue	1 Tree	Street Side Yard	2 Trees
09-23	8/17/09	1444 Windsor Dr.	1 Tree	Rear Yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-24	8/19/09	601 W. Bonita (Extended Stay America)	Application Withdrawn		
09-25	8/19/09	855 Avenida Bernardo	1 Tree	Rear Yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-26	8/24/09	1353 Valeview	1 Tree	Front Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)

09-27	9/4/09	APN 8382-011-017 southside of De Anza Heights	3 Trees	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-28	9/8/09	2020 Paseo Susana	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-29	9/15/09	1655 Avenida Loma Vista	1 Tree	Side Yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-30	7/2/09	330 Moore Lane	Application Incomplete		
09-31	9/21/09	808 Avenida Bernardo	1 Tree	Front Yard	2 Trees
09-32	10/07/09	1178 Paseo Regina (HOA)	1 Tree, Removed Without Approval	HOA Common Area	3 Tree, 24" box Per Code Sec. 18.162.130(B)
09-33	10/9/09	925 West Arrow Highway (near Wells Fargo)	1 Tree	Parking Lot Area	2 Trees
09-34	10/12/09	1233 Paseo Teresa	1 Tree	Front Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-35	10/28/09	1136 N. San Dimas Avenue	2 Trees	Front Yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-36	11/3/09	1378 Paseo Isabella	1 Tree	Side Yard	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-37	11/10/09	1155 Norgate	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-38	11/12/09	1407 Paseo Marlana (Via Verde HOA)	1 Tree, Removed Without Approval	HOA Common Area	3 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.130(B)
09-39	11/16/09	412 W. Fifth Street	Trees	Front & Rear yard	6 Trees

09-40	11/19/09	406 W. Via Vaquero (La Cuesta Encantada HOA)	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-41	11/30/09	234 Teague Drive (Canyon Creek Village HOA)	Denied		
09-42	11/30/09	519 Calle Santa Barbara (Regency Hills HOA)	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	No Replacement, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-43	12/3/09	Tiburon Puddingstone HOA	2 Trees	HOA Common Area	2 Trees, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-44	12/1/09	2044 Via Esperanza (Via Verde Ridge HOA)	Application Incomplete		
09-45	12/14/09	448 W. Allen	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-46	12/28/09	2025 Terrebonne	1 Tree	Side Yard	1 Tree, Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(A)(3)
09-47	2/13/2009	550 Cliffside Dr.	1 Tree	Parking Lot Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-48	2/18/2009	1145 Edinburgh Rd.	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-49	4/27/2009	1198 Via Verde	1 Tree	Street Side Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-50	5/18/2009	138 Via Vaquero	1 Tree	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-51	6/11/2009	Via Verde Ridge HOA	3 Trees	HOA Common Area	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)
09-52	7/2/2009	330 Moore Lane	1 Tree	Rear Yard	Dead - No Replacement Required Per Code Sec. 18.162.080(G)

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