



CITY OF PIEDMONT

Park Commission Agenda Wednesday, March 3, 2021 5:30 p.m.

Via Teleconference

COVID 19 ADVISORY NOTICE

Consistent with Executive Orders No. N-25-20 and No. N-29-20 from the Executive Department of the State of California and the Alameda County Health Official's August 20, 2020 Shelter in Place Order, the Park Commission meeting will not be physically open to the public and committee members will be teleconferencing into the meeting via ZOOM Teleconference.

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to speak on an item not on the agenda.

Regular Agenda

1. Approval of Park Commission Minutes for February 3, 2021

2. Receipt of a Report on Manor Drive Tree Assessment February 2021
3. Consideration of a Request by Piedmont Garden Club to Install Temporary Flash Flower Arrangements in Piedmont Parks and Civic Spaces
4. Update on Heritage Tree Nominations for 2021
4. Update on Arbor Day 2021- A Virtual Celebration
5. Update on Park Funding Opportunities through Proposition 68 Grants
6. Update on Highland-Guilford Steps Handrail & Lighting Project
8. Monthly Maintenance Report: Park, Open Space, and Street Tree Update for the Month of February 2021

Announcements, old business and consideration of future agenda items

Adjourn

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In accordance with G.C. Sec. 54954.2(a) this notice and agenda were posted on the City Hall bulletin board and also in the Piedmont Police Department on February 26, 2021

PIEDMONT PARK COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 3, 2021

A Regular Session of the Piedmont Park Commission was held February 3, 2021, via teleconference, consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 and the Alameda County Health Official's Order #20-04. In accordance with Government Code Section 54957(b), the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on January 29, 2021.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dunlap called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Patty Dunlap; Commissioners Amber Brumfiel, Betsy Goodman, Jim Horner, Brian Mahany, Eileen Ruby

Absent: Robin Wu

Staff: Parks and Project Manager Nancy Kent, Public Works Director Daniel Gonzales, Public Works Supervisor Nick Millosovich, Sustainability Program Manager Alyssa Dykman, and Administrative Assistant Mark Enea

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no speakers for Public Forum.

REGULAR AGENDA

The Commission considered the following items of regular business:

Minutes

Approval of Minutes for Park Commission meetings of 11/04/2020 and 01/06/2021

Resolved, that the Park Commission approves the Park Commission meeting minutes of November 4, 2020 and January 6, 2021 as presented.

Moved by Brumfiel, Seconded by Horner

Ayes: Brumfiel, Dunlap, Goodman, Horner, Mahany, Ruby

Noes:

Absent: Wu

Chairperson Dunlap welcomed Councilmember Andersen as the Council Liaison to the Park Commission and new Public Works Director Gonzales.

Parks & Open Spaces Sustainable Practices

Sustainability Program Manager Alyssa Dykman indicated she looks forward to implementing the Climate Action Plan and Green Infrastructure Plan, ensuring sustainability practices are an integral component of parks and open spaces, and engaging residents to raise ecological awareness. She indicated she has been working with Piedmont Evergreen to provide outreach and technical assistance to residents. She related her confidence that the City can bring sustainability to open spaces and parks in partnership with the community.

Parks and Project Manager Nancy Kent stated Ms. Dykman will help the City move toward more sustainable practices.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

2021 Heritage Tree Nominations

Ms. Kent announced that nominations for Heritage Tree designation are open, with a deadline of March 19, 2021. She noted that the 2021 winner would be announced at the April 7, 2021 Park Commission meeting, along with the 2020 winners, which were not announced last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Commissioners Brumfiel and Horner volunteered to submit articles about prior winners to *The Piedmont Post* and *The Exedra*.

Commissioner Horner suggested the City provide a map of tree locations.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

**2021 Virtual Arbor
Day Celebration**

Chairperson Dunlap requested the Park Commission identify a date for the celebration and assistance needed from staff. She announced Zack Parisa, Piedmont resident and forester, has agreed to be the speaker for the Arbor Day celebration. Chair Dunlap proposed taping the celebration in advance of the date, including the PHS jazz band's music and a children's event, and incorporating Heritage Tree winners into the event.

Ms. Kent advised that KCOM has agreed to prepare a video of Heritage Tree winners, and the Recreation Department has agreed to assist with a children's event. She outlined a children's program involving street trees.

Commissioners and staff discussed whether or not to combine the Arbor Day and Earth Day celebrations as well as the details and publicity for the events.

There was no **Public Testimony** on the matter.

**Park Funding
Opportunities through
Proposition 68 Grants**

Ms. Kent reported that the City will apply for a Proposition 68 grant to fund Phase 1 of the Linda Beach Conceptual Master Plan. She noted community engagement for the master plan was robust and well done, and grant criteria for the project design includes consideration of the surrounding neighborhood and residents' concerns and needs. She added that the application is due in March, funds will be awarded in late summer, and the grant does not require matching funds.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Commissioners appreciated and supported Ms. Kent's efforts to obtain funding for this project.

**Highland-Guilford
Steps, Handrail &
Lighting Project**

Ms. Kent indicated that the City engineer is preparing a cost estimate for the Highland-Guilford Step, Handrail, & Lighting Project that the City will share with the Piedmont Beautification Foundation's (PBF) She related that PBF will utilize the estimate in evaluating its donation to the City.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

**Piedmont Garden
Club Donation**

Ms. Kent announced that the Piedmont Garden Club's annual donation for 2020 would be utilized to replace and revitalize the plantings in and around the Fire Department. She indicated that shrubs would be replaced using drought-tolerant and native plantings and the irrigation system would be upgraded.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

**COVID-19 Impacts on
Parks Update**

Ms. Kent stated there has been no change with respect to COVID-19 impacts since the previous update. She noted annual field maintenance is underway with modifications to shorten the usual timeframe and to close only the natural turf areas.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

**Monthly Maintenance
Report – January**

Public Works Supervisor Nick Millosovich reported that staff has completed maintenance of 24 pedestrian pathways, installed violas, removed a downed tree and limbs resulting from recent storms, cleared storm drains, and pruned trees. He noted the annual street tree pruning contract will begin February 16, 2021. He added that sandbags are available for pickup by residents at the Corporation Yard.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this matter.

Commissioner Brumfiel relayed compliments posted to Facebook regarding staff's quick cleanup of storm debris.

**REPORTS AND
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no reports or announcements.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Dunlap adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

City of Piedmont
PARK COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: March 3, 2021

TO: Park Commissioners

FROM: Nancy B. Kent, Parks and Project Manager

SUBJECT: Receipt of a Report on Manor Drive Tree Assessment February 2021

RECOMMENDATION

This is an informational item. No action is required.

BACKGROUND

EBMUD is proactively replacing its pipelines to improve water service, reduce water loss and the number of pipeline breaks in the service area which includes the City of Piedmont. In the East Bay, 4,200 miles of pipelines, under bustling neighborhoods and busy streets, deliver high-quality water to 1.4 million customers.

Half of these pipelines were installed more than 50 years ago. The pipelines are constructed of cast iron, asbestos cement, steel, or plastic. There are many factors including soil conditions, proximity to active faults, system operating conditions, and construction materials that determine how long a pipeline will last. EBMUD regularly reviews its processes and materials to replace pipelines for efficiency, effectiveness, and resilience.

EBMUD is proposing a project on Manor Drive to replace some of their aging infrastructure. The project is proposed for Manor Drive from Arroyo Avenue to Cambridge Way. The project involves abandoning the existing 6-inch cast iron water pipe and installing a new 6-inch PVC water main. In addition to the water main, EBMUD will be reconnecting 36 water services to the new water main. The work will be done under an Excavation Permit that the City will issue to EBMUD. Part of the conditions of the excavation permit will be for repaving portions of Manor Drive. Although staff has not finalized the conditions, it is anticipated that EBMUD will be responsible for repaving at least half of the street. The City is working with EBMUD to potentially have the City pay for paving the portion of the street that EBMUD's project won't cover (to provide new pavement for the full width of the street.)

Based on site visits of the project, several sections of curb and gutter, drainage structures as well as some sidewalks should be replaced prior to paving of the street. All curb and gutter replacements should take place prior to paving. Replacement of sections of the curb, gutter and sidewalk is the City's responsibility. If the City and EBMUD can come to an agreement on which agency will do the paving and what the cost sharing will be, EBMUD would like to move forward with their project this summer.

DISCUSSION

At the January 6, 2021 Park Commission meeting, the first report on this proposed project was presented. In anticipation of the repaving project, the City has completed an engineering review of the existing curb and gutter, sidewalk and drainage issues on the street. The proposed infrastructure improvements is attached as EXHIBIT A.

In order to protect and address potential impacts on Manor's street trees, staff has also consulted with HortScience/ Bartlett Consulting arborist, Darya Barar. Ms. Barar has completed A Tree Assessment Plan which includes a plan of the two block project and an assessment of the tree conditions and suitability for preservation. A total of 51 street trees were tagged and evaluated. Manor Drive street trees consist of the following species:

- (30) Sweetgums: (*Liquidambar styraciflua*),
- (16) Chinese pistache (*Pistachia chinensis*),
- (4) Little leaf Linden (*Tilia cordata*)
- (1) Redwood(*Sequoia sempervirens*)

The arborist report is attached and has been posted on the City's website: <https://go.usa.gov/xs8mA> EXHIBIT B.

On February 5, 2021 Daniel Gonzales, Director of Public Works, Nancy Kent, Parks and Project Manager, Steven Van Saun, Coastland Civil Engineer and Darya Barar, Consulting Urban Forester and Arborist, met to discuss how curb and gutter replacement on Manor Drive would impact trees in the right of way. The goal was to identify two situations: 1) where trees had displaced or pillowed over the curb and 2) where street grades and displacement were so severe that the proposed curb work would result in severe damage to the adjacent tree. The combination of damage and limiting replacement factors will require tree removal in the following five locations:

- Tree #20 Sweetgum- located in front of 18 Manor Dr.
- Tree #216 Sweetgum- located in front of 21 Manor Dr.
- Tree #223 Sweetgum- located in front of 69 Manor Dr.
- Tree #200 Sweetgum- located in front of 100 Manor Dr.
- Tree #198 Sweetgum- located in front of 100 Manor Dr.

Ms. Barar also determined that root pruning will likely be required in an additional 17 locations. In these cases, the City's policy on curb and gutter, driveway, and sidewalk replacement will be enacted and efforts will be made to preserve the tree. Similar to the revised approach the City took during the repaving of Magnolia Ave., the City will continue to work with the City engineer and consulting arborist in regards to the preservation of street trees during infrastructure and paving projects, The City Arborist and HortScience /Bartlett Consulting will consult with the City Inspector during the construction process to ensure the existing street trees are protected and preserved. A summary of the arborist's determination on February 5, 2021 is attached as EXHIBIT C.

As the project planning progresses, City staff will update the Park Commission on the project schedule. Staff will also update the Commission at a future meeting on street tree replacement options. Replacement street tree planting will occur as soon as the repaving work is completed.

By: Nancy B. Kent, Parks & Projects Manager

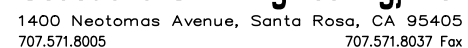
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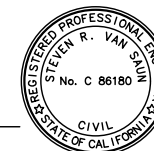
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2. CONTRACTOR SHALL CALL "USA NORTH" AT (800) 227-2600 AT LEAST ONE (1) WEEK PRIOR TO START OF CONSTRUCTION FOR LOCATING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.
3. CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR AGREES THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES, CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR WILL BE REQUIRED TO ASSUME SOLE AND COMPLETE RESPONSIBILITY FOR JOB SITE CONDITIONS DURING THE COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT, INCLUDING SAFETY OF ALL PERSONS AND PROPERTY; THAT THIS REQUIREMENT SHALL BE MADE TO APPLY CONTINUOUSLY AND NOT BE LIMITED TO NORMAL WORKING HOURS, AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR FURTHER AGREES TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD DESIGN PROFESSIONAL HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, REAL OR ALLEGED, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF WORK ON THIS PROJECT, EXCEPTING LIABILITY ARISING FROM THE SOLE NEGLIGENCE OF THE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL.
4. UNAUTHORIZED CHANGES & USES: THE ENGINEER PREPARING THESE PLANS WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR, OR LIABLE FOR, UNAUTHORIZED CHANGES TO OR USES OF THESE PLANS. ALL CHANGES TO THE PLANS MUST BE IN WRITING AND MUST BE APPROVED BY THE PREPARER OF THESE PLANS.
5. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: THE EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF ANY UNDERGROUND UTILITY LINES OR STRUCTURES SHOWN ON THESE PLANS WERE OBTAINED BY A SEARCH OF AVAILABLE RECORDS. THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO TAKE DUE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO PROTECT THE UTILITY LINES SHOWN AND ANY OTHER LINES NOT OF RECORD OR NOT SHOWN ON THESE PLANS. OVERHEAD UTILITIES ARE NOT SHOWN ON THE PLANS, AS A PART OF THEIR PRE-BID INSPECTION, BIDDERS SHALL NOTE THE TYPE AND LOCATION OF OVERHEAD UTILITIES IN THE WORK AREA AND SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR WORKING IN THOSE AREAS. NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED.
6. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES TO CITY OR PRIVATE PROPERTY OR OTHER UTILITIES CAUSED BY HIS OPERATIONS. ALL IRRIGATION LINES AND COMPONENTS DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE REPAIRED AND RESTORED TO WORKING CONDITION. ANY DAMAGED LAWN OR LANDSCAPING OUTSIDE OF THE WORK LIMITS SHALL BE REPLACED.
7. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAINTAIN REASONABLE ACCESS TO THE SITE AND MINIMIZE CLOSURE TIME OF DRIVEWAYS DURING CONSTRUCTION. MAIL SERVICE SHALL BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF THIS PROJECT. THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE SHALL HAVE UNINTERRUPTED ACCESS TO MAILBOXES AT ALL TIMES.
8. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OFF-SITE DISPOSAL OF ALL PAVEMENT, CONCRETE AND REINFORCEMENT, AND SPOILS NOT NEEDED FOR BACKFILL AS REQUIRED BY THE ENGINEER AND PER THE SPECIFICATIONS.
9. ALL EXCAVATIONS OR TRENCHES IN PAVED AREAS SHALL REQUIRE SAW CUTTING IN A NEAT AND UNIFORM MANNER.
10. PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE THE CITY OF PIEDMONT PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT A TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS.



1. TITLE SHEET
2. MANOR DRIVE SITE PLAN
3. CONSTRUCTION DETAILS



DATE _____



DATE: FEBRUARY 2021

JOHN L. WANGER
CITY ENGINEER

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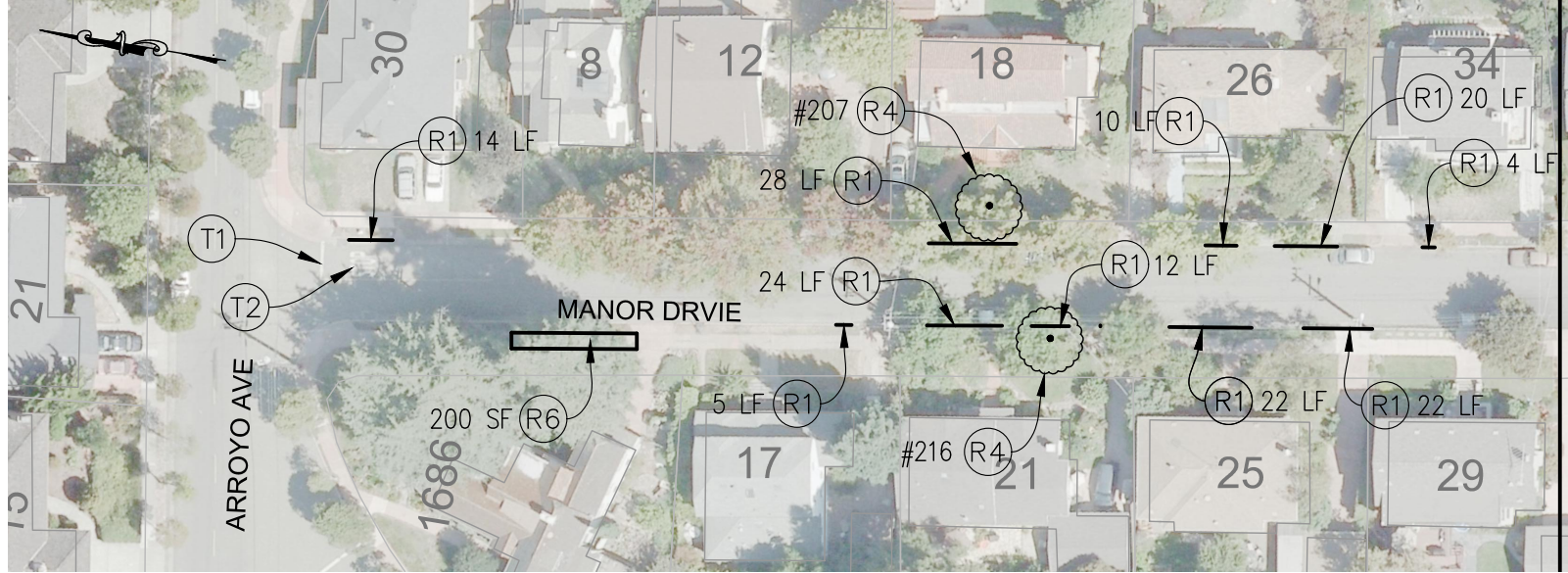
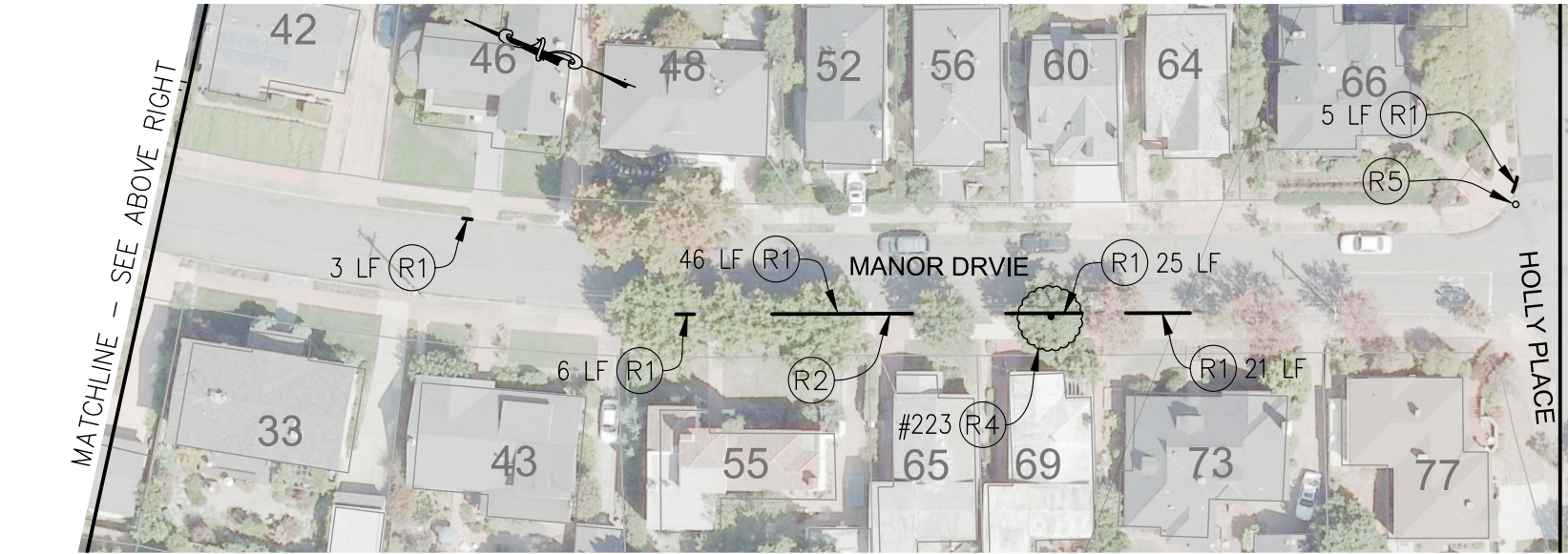
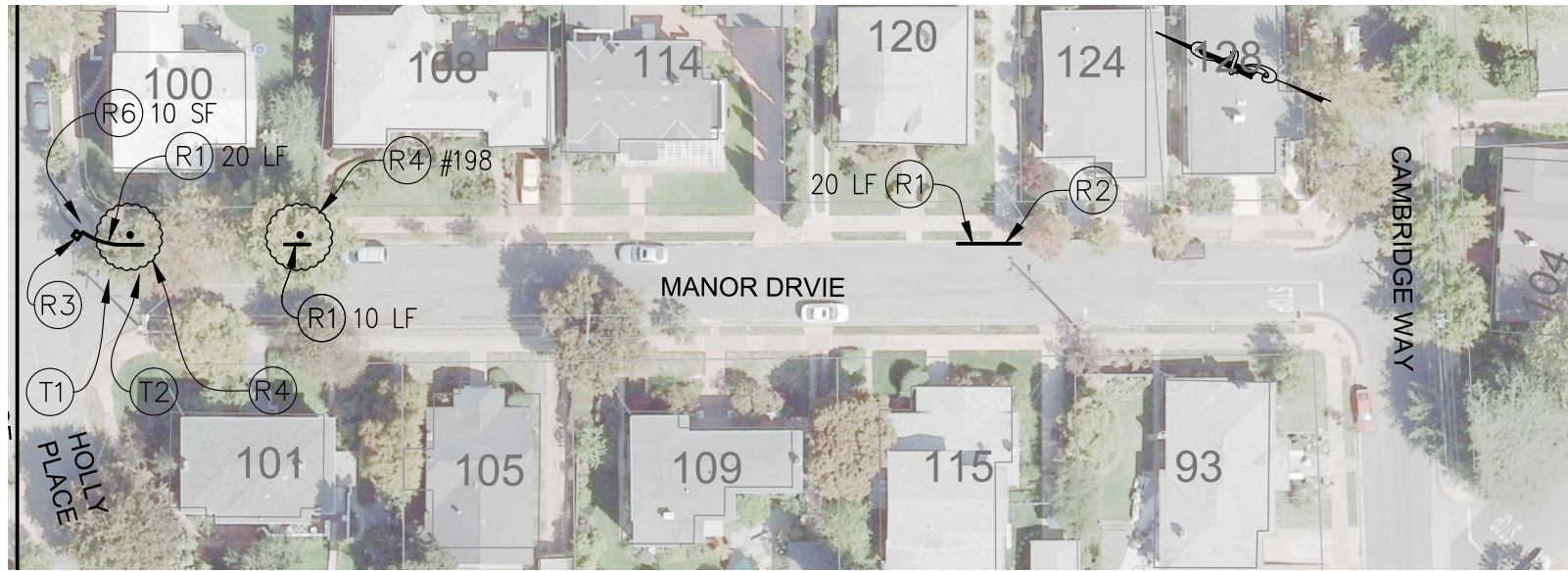
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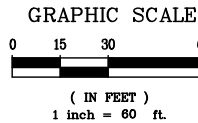
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- (R1) REMOVE AND REPLACE CURB AND GUTTER PER CITY STD. 101 AND AC CONFORM PER DETAIL 1
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- (R2) REMOVE AND REPLACE DRIVEWAY APRON PER DETAIL 2
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- (R3) REMOVE AND REPLACE CATCH BASIN PER CITY STD. 302-1 AND 302-2.
- (R4) REMOVE TREE AND STUMP.
- (R5) ADJUST SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE TO GRADE PER DETAIL 3
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- (R6) REMOVE AND REPLACE SIDEWALK PER CITY STD. 101 AND CITY STD. 103.
- (T1) REMOVE AND REPLACE 12 INCH WHITE THERMOPLASTIC LIMIT LINE PER CALTRANS STD. PLAN A24E.
- (T2) REMOVE AND REPLACE WHITE THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING "STOP" PER CALTRANS STD. PLAN A24D.

LEGEND

#200 TREE TAG NUMBER FROM TREE ASSESSMENT
PREPARED BY HORT SCIENCE DATED FEBRUARY 2021



PRELIMINARY
100% SUBMITTAL
DATE: FEBRUARY 2021

EXHIBIT A

MANOR DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS

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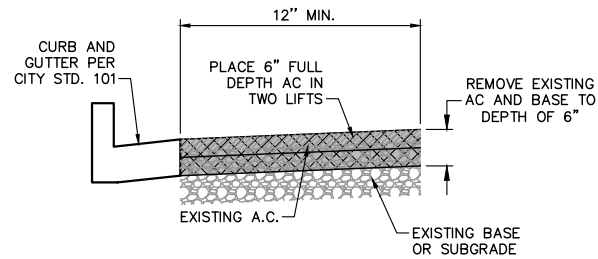
Coastland Civil Engineering, Inc.
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530.886.9929

PREPARED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF

STEVEN R. VAN SAUN, RCE 86180 DATE
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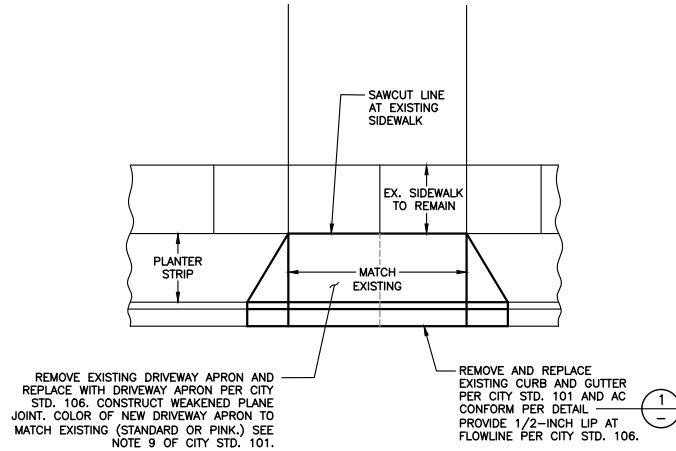


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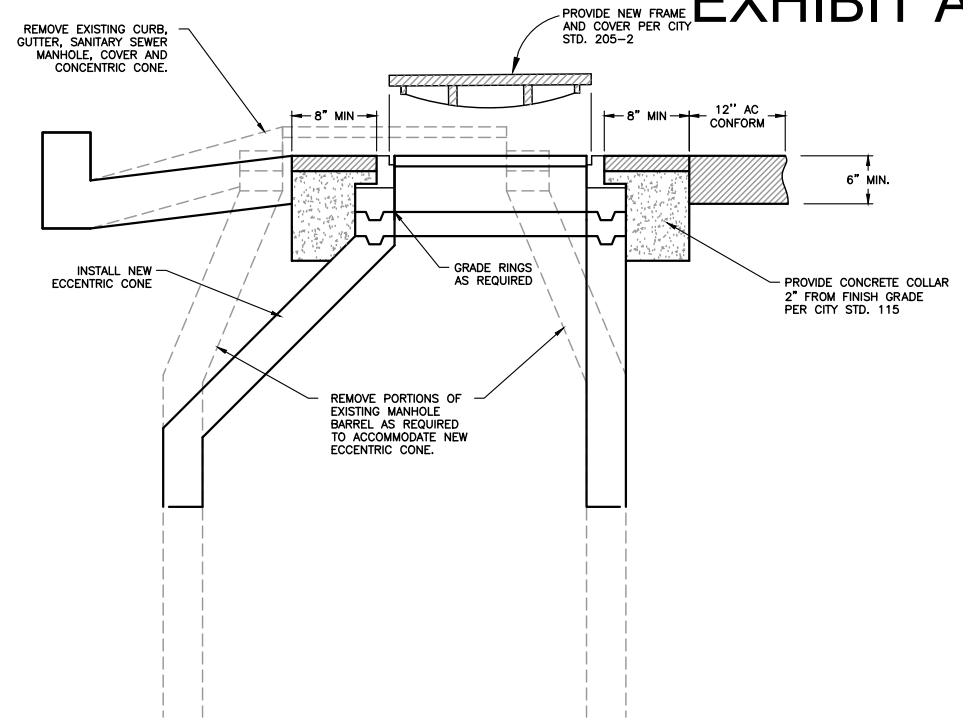
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EXHIBIT A

Tree Assessment Map

Manor Drive Improvements
Piedmont, CA

Prepared for:
City of Piedmont

February 2021



No Scale

Notes:
Base map provided by:
Coastland Civil Engineers, Inc.
Santa Rosa, CA

Numbered tree locations are approximate.



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Tree Assessment

Manor Drive
Piedmont, CA
February 8, 2021



Tree No.	Species	Trunk Diameter (in.)	Condition 1=poor 5=excellent	Suitability for Preservation	Comments
198	Sweetgum	29	4	Moderate	Lost central leader; heavy lateral limbs sweep upright; displacing sidewalk; displacing curb and gutter; trunks fills narrow space; sidewalk was narrowed; root pillows over curb.
199	Sweetgum	15	4	High	Good upright, narrow form; displacing sidewalk.
200	Sweetgum	24	4	Moderate	Heavy lateral limbs sweep upright; branches extend over utility lines; displacing sidewalk; displacing curb and gutter; trunks fills narrow space; sidewalk was narrowed; root pillows over curb.
201	Sweetgum	9	4	High	Good upright form; displacing sidewalk.
202	Sweetgum	6	4	Moderate	Multiple attachments at 6'; small trunk wound; displacing sidewalk 2".
203	Sweetgum	11	3	Moderate	Codominant at 6' and 8'; displacing sidewalk 5"; displacing curb and gutter.
204	Sweetgum	11	3	Moderate	Codominant at 6'; enlarged basal root fills space; displacing sidewalk 3"; displacing curb and gutter.
205	Sweetgum	11	3	Moderate	Codominant at 5' and 7'; displacing sidewalk 5".
206	Sweetgum	15	3	Moderate	Codominant at 9' with included bark and very narrow attachment; slightly displacing sidewalk; displacing curb at driveway.
207	Sweetgum	19	3	Moderate	Codominant at 8' with included bark and narrow attachment; displacing sidewalk; displacing curb and gutter; base fills space.
208	Sweetgum	15	4	High	Excellent form and structure; displacing sidewalk; base fills space.
209	Sweetgum	17	3	Moderate	Codominant at 9' and 10'; displacing sidewalk; base fills space.
210	Sweetgum	32	2	Low	Codominant, narrow at 8' with crack forming between attachment; base overfills space; base pillows over sidewalk; roots encroach into lawn; decayed roots along gutter near utility box; sidewalk severely displaced; pushing out curb.
211	Sweetgum	19	3	Low	Codominant at 10' with narrow attachment; base fills space; displacing sidewalk; displacing curb and gutter; roots pillow over sidewalk.
212	Sweetgum	19	3	Low	Heavy lateral limbs; base fills space; severely displacing sidewalk; displacing curb and gutter; roots pillow over curb.

Tree Assessment

Manor Drive
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Tree No.	Species	Trunk Diameter (in.)	Condition 1=poor 5=excellent	Suitability for Preservation	Comments
213	Chinese pistache	4	4	High	Good young tree.
214	Coast redwood	56	3	Moderate	On private property; slightly thin, twiggy and drought stressed; severely displacing and uplifting sidewalk; roots pillow over sidewalk.
215	Sweetgum	19	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; severely displacing curb and gutter; new sidewalk ramped over roots is being uplifted; new sidewalk was narrowed to accommodate base.
216	Sweetgum	16	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 9'; displacing curb and gutter; roots pillow over curb; new sidewalk ramped over roots and narrowed to accommodate base.
217	Sweetgum	15	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; heavy lateral limbs; displacing curb and gutter; roots pillow over curb; new sidewalk; base fills space; root decay present with fruiting bodies.
218	Little leaf linden	18	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; several narrow attachments; slightly uplifting sidewalk.
219	Sweetgum	21	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 4' with very narrow attachments; planted in 4' X 3' space; displacing surrounding concrete.
220	Sweetgum	15	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 6' with very narrow attachments; planted in 4' X 3' space; displacing surrounding concrete; crack forming in sidewalk.
221	Sweetgum	24	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 3' with very narrow attachments; planted in 9' X 3' space; displacing surrounding concrete and entrance to driveway; crack forming in sidewalk; base pillows over sidewalk.
222	Sweetgum	20	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; codominant at 3' with very narrow attachment and seam below attachment; displacing sidewalk with crack forming; displacing concrete at side entry to residence and driveway.
223	Sweetgum	22	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; codominant at 4' with narrow attachment; beginning to displacing new sidewalk with crack forming; displacing curb and gutter; base pillows over curb.

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Tree No.	Species	Trunk Diameter (in.)	Condition 1=poor 5=excellent	Suitability for Preservation	Comments
224	Sweetgum	11	3	Moderate	Pruned under utility lines; low lateral limbs; new sidewalk narrowed to accommodate trunk; wounds on roots; displacing curb.
225	Sweetgum	10	3	Moderate	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 5'; new sidewalk narrowed to accommodate trunk; wounds on roots; root pruned on south.
226	Sweetgum	8	3	Moderate	Pruned under utility lines; codominant at 5'; planted in 4' X 3' space; lifting surrounding concrete; new sidewalk narrowed to accommodate trunk; wound on root.
227	Sweetgum	7	4	Moderate	Minor pruning under utility lines; good form and structure; planted in 3' X 3' space; lifting surrounding concrete.
228	Little leaf linden	13	3	Moderate	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 8'; slightly uplifting sidewalk with crack forming; wounds on roots.
229	Little leaf linden	14	3	Low	Pruned under utility lines; multiple attachments at 12'; leans south; base of trunk flat on west; uplifting sidewalk; wounds on roots.
230	Little leaf linden	28	2	Low	Pruned under utility lines; full, dense crown; base overfills space; trunk decayed and hollow sounding; stem to north has decayed wound and is resting on utility lines; displacing sidewalk.
231	Chinese pistache	5	2	Low	Basal wound with decay and flat on the north; otherwise the tree looks good.
232	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; sinuous form.
233	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; codominant at 5'.
234	Sweetgum	9	3	Moderate	Codominant at 5'; severely displacing sidewalk.
235	Sweetgum	7	4	Moderate	Multiple attachments at 8'; displacing sidewalk.
236	Sweetgum	7	3	Moderate	Codominant at 7'; displacing sidewalk; base fills space; pillows over curb; displacing driveway entrance to north.
237	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; multiple attachments at 6'.
238	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; crown lifted to 9'.
239	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; crown reduced.
240	Chinese pistache	3	3	Moderate	Codominant stem removed; poorly pruned.

Tree Assessment

Manor Drive
Piedmont, CA
February 8, 2021



Tree No.	Species	Trunk Diameter (in.)	Condition 1=poor 5=excellent	Suitability for Preservation	Comments
241	Chinese pistache	5	4	High	Good young tree; good form and structure; slight bow at 6'.
242	Chinese pistache	5	4	High	Good young tree; good form and structure; multiple attachments at 6'.
243	Chinese pistache	3	5	High	Good young tree; excellent form and structure.
244	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; multiple attachments at 6'.
245	Chinese pistache	2	4	High	Good young tree; multiple attachments at 6'.
246	Chinese pistache	2	4	High	Good young tree; multiple attachments at 6'.
247	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; codominant at 6'; sinuous form.
248	Chinese pistache	1	4	High	Good young tree; upright form; cut small roots at base before it girdles the base.



February 25, 2021

Ms. Nancy Kent
City of Piedmont
120 Vista Avenue
Piedmont CA 94611

Subject: Manor Drive trees
Arroyo Avenue to Cambridge Way

Dear Ms. Kent:

On February 5, 2021 you (Nancy Kent, Landscape Architect); Daniel Gonzalez, Director of Public Works; Steven Van Saun, Coastland Civil Engineer and I met to discuss how curb and gutter replacement on Manor Drive would impact trees in the right of way. Our goal was to identify two situations: 1) where trees had displaced or pillowed over the curb and 2) where street grades and displacement were so severe that the proposed curb work would result in severe damage to the adjacent tree.

We found a combination of damage and limiting replacement factors in the following five locations:

1. Tree #207 located in front of 18 Manor Dr.
2. Tree #216 located in front of 21 Manor Dr.
3. Tree #223 located in front of 69 Manor Dr.
4. Tree #200 located in front of 100 Manor Dr.
5. Tree #198 located in front of 100 Manor Dr.

Root pruning will likely be required in an additional 17 locations. In these cases, the City's policy on curb and gutter, driveway, and sidewalk replacement will be enacted. The City will make every effort to preserve the tree. The City Arborist will determine in the field if root pruning required to complete the project will destabilize the tree and therefore warrant tree removal. If the tree is preserved, the City is committed to more frequent inspection after construction is complete.

Please contact me with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darya Barar".

Darya Barar, Consulting Urban Forester
Registered Consulting Arborist #693
ISA Certified Arborist No. WE-6757A
ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualified
Qualified Tree and Plant Appraiser

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Piedmont Park Commission will consider an arborist's report entitled Manor Drive Tree Assessment February 8, 2021.

The City hired consulting arborists HortScience/Barlett Consulting to prepare a report on 51 street trees, (30) Sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*), (16) Chinese pistache (*Pistachia chinensis*), (4) Little leaf Linden (*Tilia cordata*) and (1) Coast Redwood (*Sequoia sempervirens*) for the two block section of Manor Drive. The report provides an inventory of the trees, conditions and suitability for preservation. The arborist report will be available on the City's website : <https://go.usa.gov/xs8mA>

The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) has identified, as part of its pipeline replacement program, a project to replace and install a new water main for Manor Drive between Arroyo Ave. and Cambridge Way. Although EBMUD's construction schedule has not been finalized, City staff and Coastland Engineers have been coordinating with the utility. The water main replacement will require that the two block section of Manor Drive be repaved.

In anticipation of the pipeline replacement and repaving project, the City has begun an engineering review of the existing curb and gutter, sidewalk conditions and drainage issues on the street.

On January 6, 2021, the Park Commission received an update on the EBMUD Pipeline project on Manor Ave. The City Engineer and arborists have reviewed the engineering work that is required to install the new curb and gutter, and replacement sidewalks and have designated the street trees that will need to be removed in order for these engineering improvements to be installed. Of the 51 street trees evaluated, the following 5 trees need to be removed in order for the engineering improvements to be installed:

- Tree #207 located in front of 18 Manor Dr.
- Tree #216 located in front of 21 Manor Dr.
- Tree #223 located in front of 69 Manor Dr.
- Tree #200 located in front of 100 Manor Dr.
- Tree #198 located in front of 100 Manor Dr.

This is your official notification of this request. The matter will be heard by the Piedmont Park Commission at its meeting on **Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.** You are invited to attend the Park Commission meeting and express your opinion. **This meeting will be held virtually in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.** You can access the meeting by accessing meeting # 874-0970-1113 on the Zoom platform. Additional methods for accessing the meeting

can be found on the meeting agenda on the Park Commission web page at:
https://piedmont.ca.gov/government/commissions_committees/park_commission

You may choose to write your opinion and address the response to the Piedmont Park Commission, c/o Nancy Kent, 120 Vista Avenue, Piedmont, CA 94611 or send an e-mail to nkent@piedmont.ca.gov .

All Park Commission meetings are televised live on KCOM-TV, the City's government access TV station and will be available through streaming video on the City's website
https://piedmont.ca.gov/government/meeting_videos

For further information, contact Parks and Project Manager Nancy Kent at 420-3064 or via email at nkent@piedmont.ca.gov.

Posted: February 25, 2021

City of Piedmont
PARK COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: March 3, 2021

TO: Park Commissioners

FROM: Nancy B. Kent, Parks and Project Manager

SUBJECT: Consideration of a Request by Piedmont Garden Club to Install Temporary Flash Flower Arrangements in Piedmont Parks and Civic Spaces

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Request by Piedmont Garden Club to Install Temporary Flash Flower Arrangements in Piedmont Parks and Civic Spaces

BACKGROUND

Piedmont Garden Club (PGC) has asked the City if their members can place temporary flower arrangements throughout the City, including in Piedmont parks and civic spaces as a celebration of spring. The inspiration for *Flowers Flash* is Lewis Miller Design, a florist in New York City that stated on his website:

The Flower Flash is our gift to New Yorkers. We began in October 2016. Our goal is to create a positive, emotional response through flowers. Seeing people's reactions to our Flower Flashes emphasizes the basic goodness in all people and prioritizes compassion and the need ... NYC to carry on. Your city may be next!

For Flower Flash images please see: <https://lewismillerdesign.com/flower-flash/page/2/>

PGC members will apply for a use permit through the Recreation Dept. The permit will specify the date of the installations and removal conditions as well as additional requirements for flower placement. Public Works and the Recreation Department will coordinate with PGC to ensure our residents can enjoy this "flash" event.