

1 **SAUSALITO TREES & VIEWS COMMITTEE**

2 **Thursday, July 5, 2012**

3 **Draft Summary Minutes**

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8 **Call to Order**

9 Vice Chair Bickford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council
10 Chambers of City Hall, 420 Litho Street, Sausalito.

11 Present: Vice Chair Mary Lee Bickford, Committee Member Wingham Liddell,
12 Committee Member Ronald Reich

13 Absent: Committee Member Betsy Elliott

14 Staff: Assistant Planner, Alison Thornberry-Assef
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16 **Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair**

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18 **Committee Member Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a**
19 **motion to nominate Mary Lee Bickford to Chair the Trees & Views Committee. The**
20 **motion passed 3-0.**
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22 **Committee Member Liddell moved and Chair Bickford seconded a motion to**
23 **nominate Ronald Reich to Vice-Chair the Trees & Views Committee. The motion**
24 **passed 3-0.**
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26 **Approval of Agenda**

27 **Committee Member Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a**
28 **motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed 3-0.**
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30 **Approval of Minutes**

31 April 5, 2012
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34 **Committee Member Liddell moved and Vice Chair Reich seconded a motion to**
35 **approve the summary minutes of April 5, 2012. The motion passed 3-0.**
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37 **Public Comments of Items Not on Agenda**

38 None.
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40 **Public Hearings**

- 41 1. **TRP 12-141, Tree Removal Permit, Griffin, 47 Girard Avenue.** Tree Removal
42 Permit to allow the removal of one dying and hazardous Magnolia tree located on
43 the rear of the property at 47 Girard Avenue (APN 065-103-31).
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45 The public hearing was opened.

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47 Assistant Planner Thornberry-Assef presented the Staff Report.
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49 The public testimony period was opened.
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1 Presentation was made by Mary Griffin, the Tree Owner.

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3 Committee question to Ms. Griffin:

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 - Why would you like us to remove the Condition requiring a replacement tree be

5 planted?

6 *Ms. Griffin responded that the majority of the tree will be removed, but a small*

7 *off-shoot would remain and she would like to work with the spur so that it grows*

8 *into a full size, healthy tree.*

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10 The public testimony period was opened.

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12 The public made no comments.

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14 The public testimony period was closed.

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16 Committee question to staff:

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 - What is staff's recommendation for a replacement tree? *Staff responded their*
- 18 *standard condition is the tree shall be replaced with a 24-inch box of a*
- 19 *desirable tree species to be determined by the property owner.*
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22 Removal of Condition of Approval:

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 - The small spur is to remain, and the Condition for a replacement tree is
- 24 removed.
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26 **Vice Chair Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to**

27 **approve a Tree Removal Permit for 47 Girard Avenue subject to the removal of**

28 **the Conditions of Approval. The motion passed 3-0.**

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- 30 **2. TRP 12-151, Tree Removal Permit, Casa Madrona, 801 Bridgeway.** Tree
- 31 Removal Permit to allow the removal of one Cottonwood tree located in the
- 32 courtyard area of the Casa Madrona Hotel and Spa at 801 Bridgeway (APN 065-
- 33 063-46).
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35 The public hearing was opened.

36 Assistant Planner Thornberry-Assef presented the Staff Report.

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38 The public testimony period was opened.

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40 Presentation was made by Ashley Morgan, the Tree Owner representative.

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 - As an additional comment, Ms. Morgan stated that Casa Madrona is going
- 42 through construction, and they would like to wait to plant the replacement tree
- 43 when construction is completed.
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46 Committee question to Ms. Morgan:

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 - When would construction finish and the replacement tree be planted?
- 48 *Ms. Morgan responded that she anticipated being fully complete in one year.*
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50 The public testimony period was opened.

1 The public made no comments.

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3 The public testimony period was closed.

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5 Committee comments:

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- 7 • The Committee agreed that the replacement tree should be planted after construction is finished.
 - 8 • Committee Member Liddell suggested that the replacement tree be either a Japanese Maple or Wild Lilac.
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11 Modification of Condition of Approval:

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- 13 • The replacement tree shall either be a Japanese Maple or Wild Lilac, and the timing for the replacement tree is to be changed from 60 days to one year.
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16 **Committee Member Liddell moved and Vice Chair Reich seconded a motion to approve a Tree Removal Permit for 801 Bridgeway subject to the modification of the Conditions of Approval. The motion passed 3-0.**

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20 **Old Business**

21 **None**

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23 **New Business**

24 **None**

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26 **Staff Communications**

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- 28 • The Department of Public Works Tree Maintenance Activities-May/June 2012: The report is available for the Committee's review.
 - 29 • The Committee would like to be in the Fourth of July Parade next year.
 - 30 • The Committee would like to create brochures to educate the community on trees and Trees and Views Committee policies: Asked to add item to next agenda.
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34 **Vice Chair Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 3-0.**

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37 **Adjournment**

38 The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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44 Submitted by
45 Jeremy Graves, AICP
46 Community Development Director

Approved by
Mary Lee Bickford
Chair