PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2013 **ITEM NUMBER: 9b**

SUBJECT: TREE REMOVAL REQUEST - YUKON AVENUE

DATE: NOVEMBER 4, 2013

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MAINTENANCE SERVICES DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: BRUCE A. HARTLEY, MAINTENANCE SERVICES MANAGER

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BRUCE A. HARTLEY (714) 754-5123

RECOMMENDATION

Provide staff direction on multiple tree removal requests for City owned trees located in the parkway and adjacent landscape set-back along Yukon Avenue between Bear Street and 3081 Klondike Avenue.

BACKGROUND

The City of Costa Mesa owns three 'lettered lots' as defined by the recorded tract map associated with the development of the homes in the Yukon-Klondike-Prospect neighborhood. See Attachment 5. The lots are landscaped and were granted to the City by the builder for landscape purposes when the homes were originally built. The landscape was installed by the builder and has been maintained continuously by the City to present day. The area receives monthly landscape maintenance and the trees are trimmed on a three to five (3-5) year pruning cycle. In addition to the lettered lots, there are parkways along Yukon Avenue that contain landscape and trees. These areas are maintained at the same time as the lettered lots. The trees associated with the removal requests are located in Lot 'C' and a portion of Lot 'A'.

The Maintenance Services Division was initially contacted by the property owner of 3081 Klondike Avenue (Applicant #1) on October 30, 2012, requesting removal of the several City owned trees located in the landscape set-back on the Yukon Avenue side of the property located at the corner of Yukon Avenue and Klondike Avenue. At that time, the City Arborist denied the removal request and directed the City's tree maintenance contractor to trim branches away from the property line to mitigate the impacts of the trees. Applicant #1 submitted a request for removal October 16, 2013. See Attachment 1.

On July 10, 2013, the property owner of 883 Prospect Place (Applicant #2) contacted the City requesting service due to the excessive pine needles being generated by the trees in the landscaped area behind her home. At that time, the needles were cleaned up and the work request closed. Subsequently, in an electronic mail message dated October 17, 2013 and in a letter dated October 14, 2013, Applicant #2 requested that eight (8) trees located directly behind the property and all twenty-eight (28) of the remaining trees in the landscape set-back between Klondike Avenue and Bear Street be removed. See Attachment 2.

The City received an electronic message from the property owner of 875 Prospect Place (Applicant #3) requesting the removal of five (5) pine trees directly behind the property and an additional fifteen (15) trees located in the landscape set-back. The exact trees were not specified. See Attachment 3.

A similar request was received by the property owner of 879 Prospect Place (Applicant #4) without any specific number of trees being specified. See Attachment 4.

ANALYSIS

The tree removal requests involve ten (10) trees growing in the five foot (5') parkway and eighteen (18) trees growing an adjacent City owned landscape set-back ten feet (10') in width. See Attachment 5 and 6. There are a total of twenty-eight (28) trees, all Canary Island Pines, *Pinus canariensis*, growing in the parkway and the landscape set-back along Yukon Avenue. The City Arborist inspected the trees associated with the multiple requests. They were all found to be healthy and in good condition. They vary in size from approximately thirty feet (30') in height to over sixty-five feet (65') in height.

Due to the multiple requests affecting trees that are not the typical singular parkway tree in front of a home, the four individual requests are presented together in one report, as they affect the entry to the neighborhood as well as individual properties. The removal of trees immediately behind each home and throughout the landscape set-back are being requested by four applicants.

3081 Klondike Avenue:

Applicant #1 has requested eight (8) trees be removed. Four (4) of the trees are on a minor landscaped slope adjacent to the property; the other four (4) are growing in the adjacent parkway.

The four (4) trees on the slope:

- Tree 'Slope 1' is approximately forty feet (40') in height with a trunk diameter of eighteen inches (18").
- Tree 'Slope 2' is approximately forty feet (40') in height with a trunk diameter of fifteen inches (15").
- Tree 'Slope 3' is approximately 65 feet (65') in height with a trunk diameter of twenty-two inches (22").
- Tree 'Slope 4' is approximately 45 feet (45') in height with a trunk diameter of twelve inches (12").

The four (4) parkway trees located on the side of the property on Yukon Avenue:

- Tree 'F1' is approximately forty-five feet (45') in height with a trunk diameter of sixteen inches (16").
- Tree 'F2' is approximately forty-five feet (45') in height with a trunk diameter of eleven inches (11").

- Tree 'F3' is approximately sixty feet (60') in height with a trunk diameter of twenty inches (20").
- Tree 'F4' is approximately thirty feet (30') in height with a trunk diameter of eight inches (8").

The total estimated value of the eight (8) trees is $47,560.

Applicant #1 provided the following justification for the removal of the trees:

- High maintenance cost
- Visual impact
- Safety
- Potential issues related to pool being constructed
- Shading and negative impacts on feasibility of solar project

See Attachment 1.

883 Prospect Place:

Applicant #2 is requesting that eight (8) trees behind the property and the pines trees along Yukon Avenue be removed.

The six (6) trees on the slope:

- Tree 'Slope 9' is approximately fifty-five feet (55') in height with a trunk diameter of fourteen inches (14").
- Tree 'Slope 10' is approximately fifty-five feet (55') in height with a trunk diameter of fifteen inches (14").
- Tree 'Slope 11' is approximately sixty feet (60') in height with a trunk diameter of sixteen inches (16").
- Tree 'Slope 12' is approximately fifty-five feet (55') in height with a trunk diameter of fifteen inches (15").
- Tree 'Slope 13' is approximately sixty feet (60') in height with a trunk diameter of sixteen inches (16").
- Tree 'Slope 14' is approximately fifty feet (50') in height with a trunk diameter of fourteen inches (14").

The two (2) parkway trees:

- Tree 'F5' is approximately sixty feet (60') in height with a trunk diameter of fourteen inches (14").
- Tree 'F6' is approximately sixty feet (60') in height with a trunk diameter of sixteen inches (16").

The total estimated value of the eight (8) trees is $39,120.

Applicant #2 provided the following justification for the removal of the trees:

- Trees restrict ability of owner to enjoy reasonable use or economic potential of the property
- Affects the reasonable enjoyment of the property
- Increased gardening and medical costs
- Trees invade the property economically and environmentally; trees are an invasive species
- Excessive needle and cone litter
- Lack of sunlight has caused additional landscape costs
- Needle accumulation attracts rats, crows, spiders and opossums; health hazards
- Negative health impacts of heavy pollen production
- Potential fire hazard created by needle accumulation

See Attachment 2.

875 Prospect Place:

Applicant #3 is requesting that five (5) trees behind the property and fifteen (15) additional pines trees along Yukon Avenue be removed. The City Arborist was able to identify only four trees associated with this property. They are growing in the landscape set-back. The information on those is provided below:

The four (4) trees are:

- Tree 'Slope 5' is approximately forty feet (40') in height with a trunk diameter of twelve inches (12").
- Tree 'Slope 6' is approximately twenty-five feet (25') in height with a trunk diameter of ten inches (10").
- Tree 'F2' is approximately thirty-five feet (35') in height with a trunk diameter of ten inches (10").
- Tree 'F3' is approximately thirty feet (30') in height with a trunk diameter of eight inches (8").

The total estimated value of the four (4) trees is $19,560.

Applicant #3 provided the following justification for the removal of the trees:

- Negative health impact of heavy pollen production
- Trees block sunlight
- Negative impact on landscape maintenance
- Negative impact on pool maintenance
- Additional electrical cost due to increased circulation time of pool

879 Prospect Place:

Applicant #4 is requesting removal of an unspecified number of pine trees behind the property. This applicant is generally submitting the request in support of neighbors that are also applicants.

Applicant #4 provided the following justification for the removal of the trees:

- Ongoing mess from falling pine needles
- Excessive pollen production affecting patio furniture and cars

The consistent complaints expressed by all four Applicant's are the negative impacts the needles and pollen have on their landscape, hardscape, pool, home maintenance and the health of their families. The complaint of shading and the messy look of the neighborhood were expressed by two of the four Applicants.

The landscape, including the trees were installed as part of the development of the housing tract with the likely intent of creating an entry 'statement' with aesthetically pleasing landscape and a corridor of large uniform trees lining the main access to the neighborhoods. Typically, Canary Island Pines are more suited to larger grow spaces, which allows for both for the extensive root systems and the large spacial needs of this very tall and full growing species of tree. In this case, there are ten (10) trees growing in the parkway immediately adjacent to the street and eighteen (18) trees growing in the landscape set-back along Yukon Avenue. The trees are approaching full mature size and as a result, produce a significant amount of pine needles, pollen and cones. Unfortunately, due to the location of the trees relative to the homes and the prevailing southwest winds that blow daily, a large amount of the litter produced by the trees falls into the bordering properties, resulting in frequent complaints. Trimming the trees on a more frequent cycle will not likely provide any relief, as the trees respond with a lot of adventitious growth on the inside of the canopy when the growing tips are removed or if too many of the smaller interior branches are removed. This creates more needles and growing points. Additionally, if the trees are pruned too frequently or severely, they may become stressed, attracting boring-type beetles which often results in sudden decline or death of the trees.

The four defined Applicants have each been sent a copy of the Agenda and Staff Report. Additionally, due to the more wide spread impact that the potential removal of so many trees at the entrance to the neighborhood may have, residents whose homes are within five hundred feet (500') of the Applicants' properties, have been notified of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. Those residents were not sent the Agenda and Staff Report. Sixty-three (63) notices were sent out, which represent approximately 47% of the 132 homes included in all the streets accessed by Yukon Avenue. See Attachment 7.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

1. The Commission could authorize the removal and replacement of some or all of the trees that each Applicant is requesting to be removed, per the Streetscape and Median Development Standards, Section 4.0.3 – Discretionary Removals, which would require the replacement of each tree with one (1) twenty-four inch box-size tree to be planted at the same address and two (2) fifteen gallon-size trees to be

planted elsewhere on City property. The applicant would pay all removal and replacement costs.

If approved by the Commission, the trees must be removed and mitigation trees provided to the City within one year from the date of final approval, after which the approval expires.

2. The Commission could authorize the removal of the tree as a Category 1 – 'Health and Safety' removal with all removal and replacement costs paid for by the City and determine the number and size of the replacement/mitigation trees to be planted.

3. The Commission could authorize the removal of some of the trees; specifying which trees should be removed, which should be replaced and make a determination as to which party should pay for the removal and replacement.

4. The Commission could provide direction to Staff to take alternative actions other than those listed above.

5. The Commission could deny the removal of the trees.

FISCAL REVIEW

There would be no fiscal impact to the City if the request to remove the trees was denied; approved as a Category 2 – Accelerated Removal; or approved as a Category 3 - Discretionary Removal, as the applicant would pay all costs.

The replanting costs for the mitigation trees (1 – 24" box size and 2 – 15 gallon size) would be $425 for each tree removed. Removal cost is $20 per inch of diameter of the tree to be removed. Costs are based on current City contract prices. Total cost to the Applicants for removal and replacement would vary depending on the number of trees removed.

If the Commission were to approve the request to remove the trees as a Category 1 - Health and Safety Removal, with the City paying removal and replacement costs, the cost for the removal of the trees would vary between $160 and $320 per tree, with a cost of replanting 1 – 24" box size tree of $200.

LEGAL REVIEW

No legal review is required for this item.

CONCLUSION

The City-owned street trees that are being requested to be removed are located within the public right-of-way and a City-owned landscape set-back along Yukon Avenue adjacent to six homes located approximately north of Yukon Avenue. The trees are creating issues with at least four property owners and have resulted in the requests to remove some or all of the trees. The trees are all in good condition and do not otherwise meet any criteria allowing for a staff level approval to be removed. The associated impacts of the trees are affecting disproportionately a small number of the residents of this neighborhood but have a larger positive aesthetic impact for the 132 homes that are accessed via Yukon Avenue, the only access road into the tracts. It is due to the larger impact that removal of these

trees would have that Staff is requesting direction from the Parks and Recreation Commission on how to proceed.

BRUCE A. HARTLEY
Maintenance Services Manager

ERNESTO MUNOZ
Public Services Director

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Letter requesting removal & tree information: 3081 Klondike Avenue
2. Letter requesting removal & tree information: 883 Prospect Place
3. Letter requesting removal & tree information 875 Prospect Place
4. Letter requesting removal – 879 Prospect Place
5. Exhibit – tract and right of way boundaries
6. Exhibit – aerial photograph
7. Notice of Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

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Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Kelly Waterman
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Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Johnny Garabedian
875 Prospect Place
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Claire Li
879 Prospect Place
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Gabriella Oseguera [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 3:47 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE; daniel.dominquez@costamesaca.gov; [redacted]
Subject: Pine Tree Problems

Hi Bruce and Daniel-

I am writing to you regarding the pine tree problem I am having. I am requesting removal of the pine trees due to the high maintenance cost and visual impact and safety on my property. I live at 3081 Klondike Ave on the corner of Yukon and Klondike in Costa Mesa. **Within the first block of our neighborhood there are a total of 20 pine trees on the right hand side covering 5 homes, on the second block, I have a total of 8 pine trees covering the side of my house alone.** The entry way to our neighbor is covered with pine trees, pine needles, pine cones and sap and a ton of squirrels. My neighbors and I have called numerous times and spoke to Daniel regarding this problem. Daniel has been very responsive and helpful by having the trees trimmed, but it has not resolved the issue. The excessive amount of trees create a burnden on my self and my neighbors, having to constantly clean up and we are the only houses out of 140 homes in our neighborhood that have these amount of trees along our property line.

I have attached pictures on an earlier email so you can evaluate the amount of pine dropping and damage to my home.

Sincerely-

Gabriella Oseguera, MBA
Armando Oseguera
Cell- [redacted]
Home- [redacted]

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Gabriella Oseguera [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2013 9:45 AM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE; DOMINGUEZ, DANIEL
Subject: Pine Tree Problems
Attachments: Oseguera solar 30 panel 10-22-2013 NEW.pdf

Hi Bruce and Daniel-

Here is a letter from the company that is doing my pool and my solar panels. Unfortunately, the pines trees cause a problem. Please read the attached email from Alderete Pools explaining the problem. I can't install them because the trees block the sun that would be hitting the roof.

Gabriella Oseguera
714-[redacted]

ALDERETE CONSTRUCTION
POOLS & SOLAR

Thursday, October 10, 2013

Prepared For:	Armando/Gabriella Oseguera	**Prepared By:**	Ray/Toby Alderete
Address:	3081 Klondike ave	**Electric Company:**	SCE
City,State,Zip:	Costa Mesa Ca 92626	**Service Act #:**	[redacted]
Phone:	[redacted]	**Cust. Act #**	[redacted]
Email:	[redacted]	**Password:**	na

Photovoltaic Solar System Proposals

Est. Annual kWh usage :	11,925	
Est Monthly kWh usage:	994	
Est. average monthly bill	$ 248.44	@ $.25 per kWh

Proposals				# of Solar Panels		Percentage	Annual kWh	
Proposal # 1 estimated electric bill @ $35/mo-				30	PV Panels	98%	11700	Net Cost
30	Panel Solar system-	$ 39,780.00	CSI Rebate	$ 780.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 11,700.00	$ 27,300.00
Proposal # 2 estimated electric bill @ $55/mo-				26	PV Panels	85%	10140	
26	Panel Solar system-	$ 34,476.00	CSI Rebate	$ 676.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 10,140.00	$ 23,660.00
Proposal # 2 estimated electric bill @ $75/mo-				22	PV Panels	72%	8580	
22	Panel Solar system-	$ 29,172.00	CSI Rebate	$ 572.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 8,580.00	$ 20,020.00
Proposal # 3 estimated electric bill @ $95/mo-				20	PV Panels	65%	7800	
20	Panel Solar system-	$ 26,520.00	CSI Rebate	$ 520.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 7,800.00	$ 18,200.00
Proposal # 4 estimated electric bill @ $125/mo-				17	PV Panels	56%	6630	
17	Panel Solar system-	$ 22,542.00	CSI Rebate	$ 442.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 6,630.00	$ 15,470.00
Proposal # 5 estimated electric bill @ $140/mo-				15	PV Panels	49%	5850	
15	Panel Solar Sytem	$ 19,890.00	CSI Rebate	$ 390.0	30% FED tax credit		$ 5,850.00	$ 13,650.00

All above pricing is based on Micro Inverters compared to String line Central Inverters. Micro Inverters are 15% more e
This system will include Canadian Solar 260 Watt panels with micro inverters.

After our Solar shade analysis and ariel layout of new solar panels, we have noticed that the pine trees running on Yukon st (on the outside of your property line) are shading your roof about 20%-30%. This will effect the efficiency of the solar system drastically. We reccomend removing the trees to eliminate the shading on the south facing roof of your house, where the solar panels will be installed.

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63 Via Pico Plaza #447•San Clemente, CA 92672
wk :(800) 492-7289 • fax :(949)361-8894
www.alderetepools.com | Email: aps@alderetepools.com
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HARTLEY, BRUCE

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Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 3:45 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE; [redacted]; daniel.dominquez@costamesaca.gov
Subject: Photos from Tree Problem

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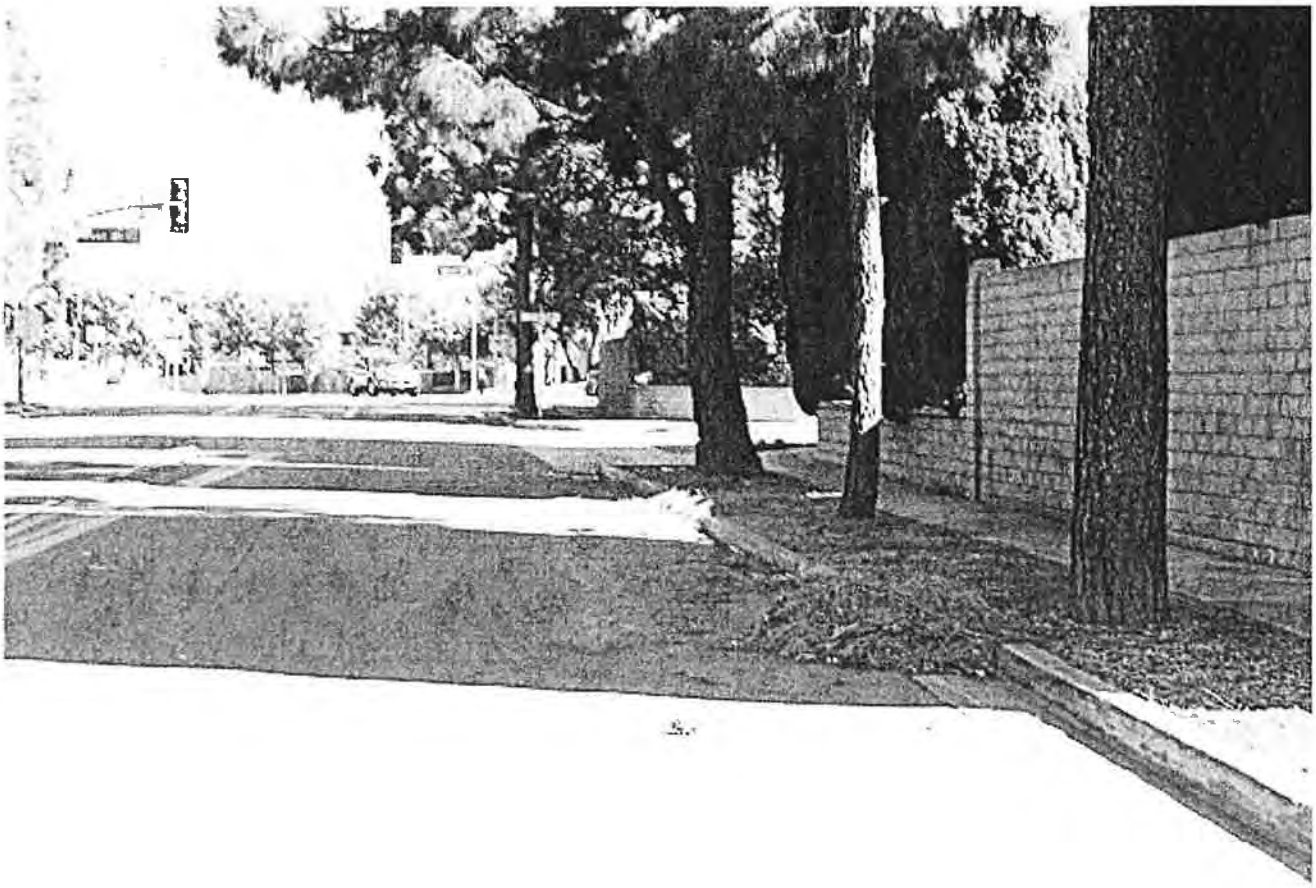

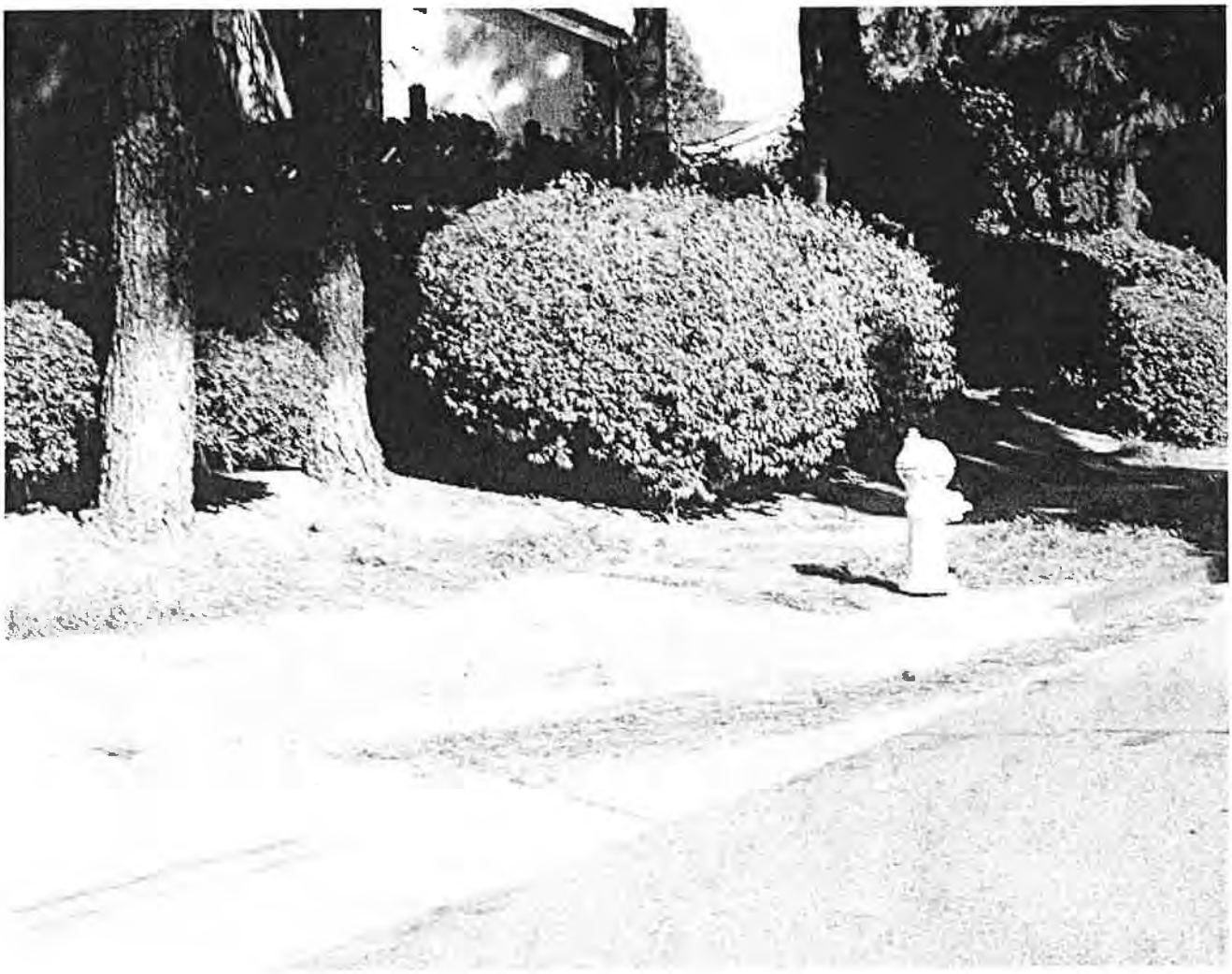

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FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Gabriella Oseguera**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**3081 Klondike Ave.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3060x Yukon Ave Slope 1**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$360.00**	
Height:	**40 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**18 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **11/15/2012**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Base of tree too close to wall. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Cracked sidewalk.**

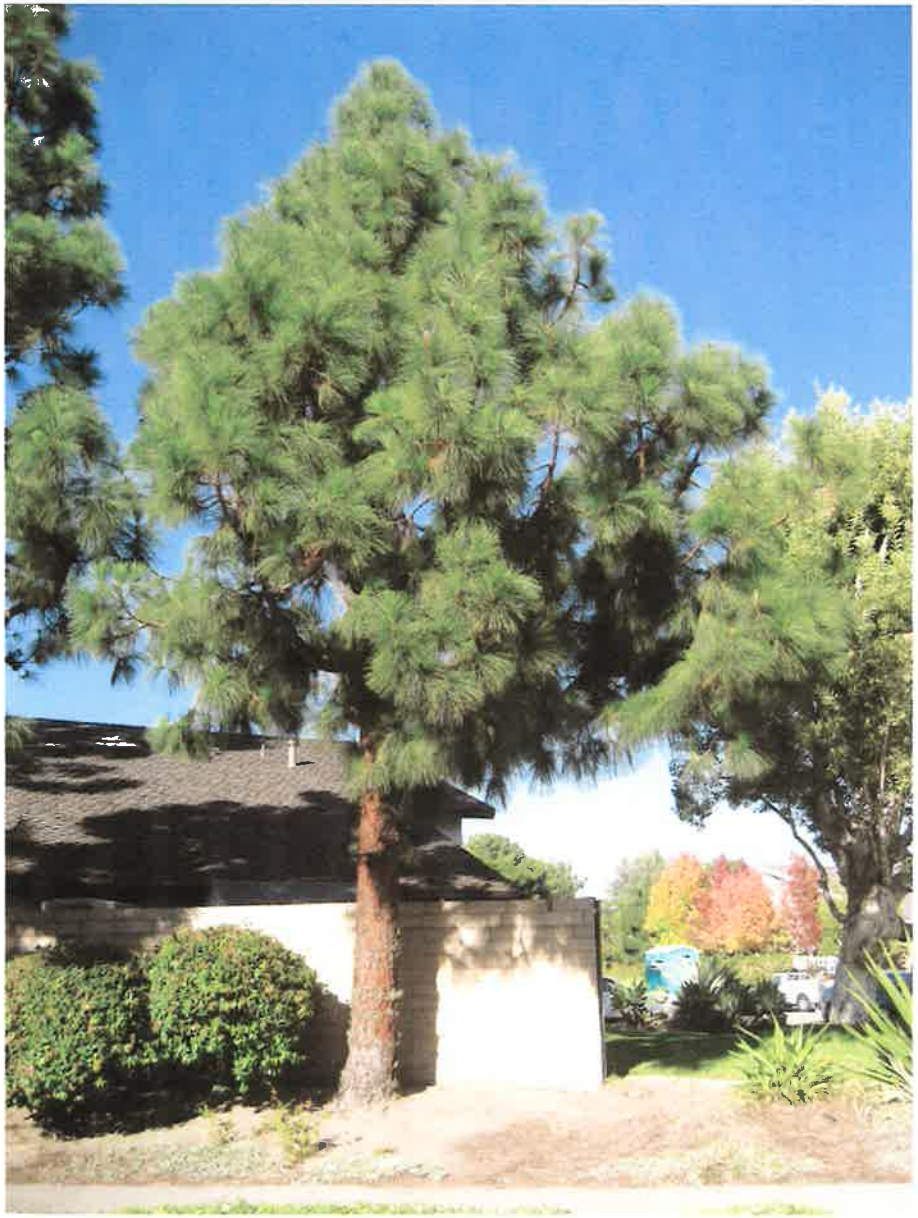
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning will mitigate hardscape damage.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3060x Yukon Ave. slope 1 looking north**
Photo #2: **3060x Yukon Ave slope 1 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #1



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Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3060x Yukon Ave Slope 2**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)=	**$300.00**
Height:	**40 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**15 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **11/15/2012**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Base of tree too close to wall. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

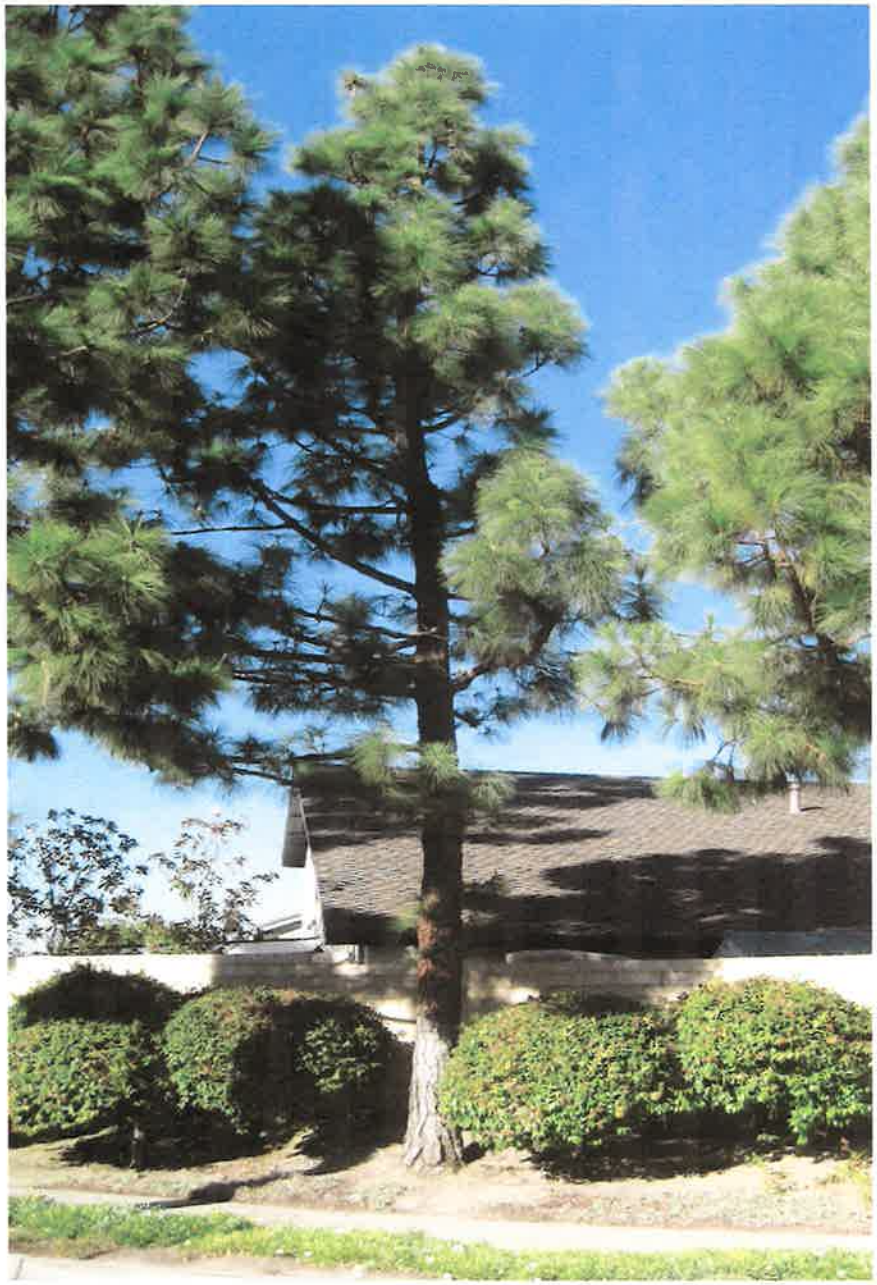
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not needed.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3060x Yukon Ave. slope 2 looking north**
Photo #2: **3060x Yukon Ave slope 2 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #2



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Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3060x Yukon Ave Slope 3**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$440.00**	
Height:	**65 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**22 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **11/15/2012**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Base of tree too close to wall. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $9,110.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: ____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not needed.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
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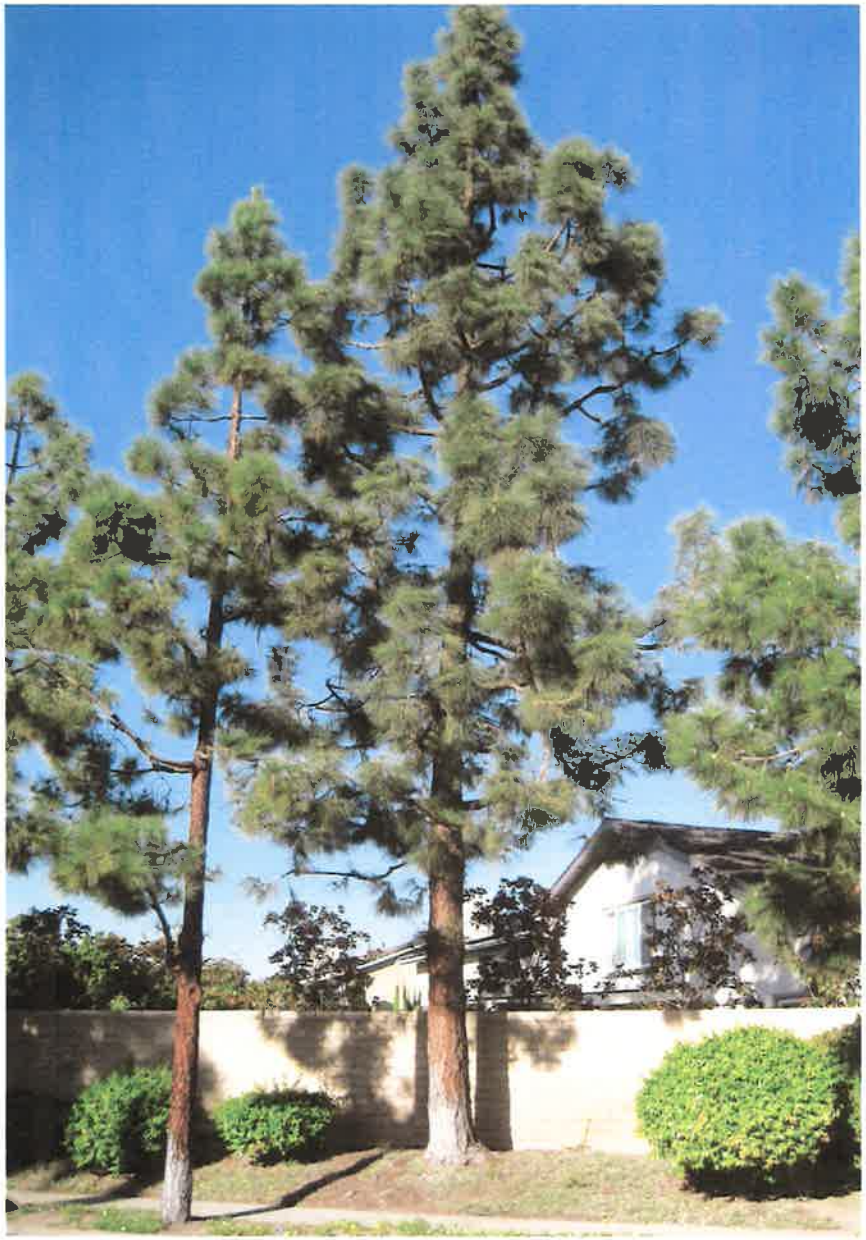
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #3



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Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3060x Yukon Ave Slope 4**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)=	**$180.00**
Height:	**45 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**12 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **11/15/2012**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Base of tree too close to wall. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Lifted sidewalk**.

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning will mitigate hardscape damage.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
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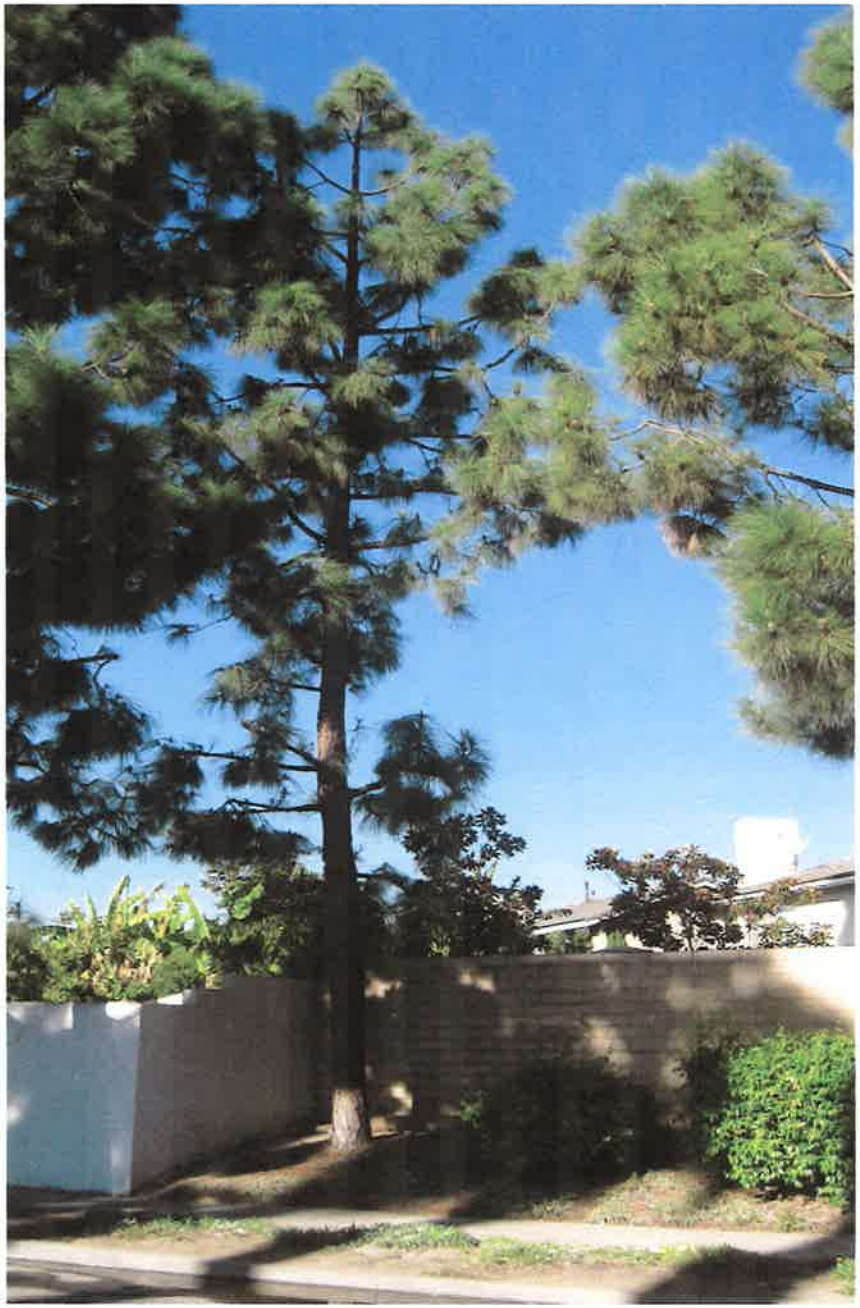
Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #4



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Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3062x Yukon Ave F1**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)=	**$320.00**
Height:	**45 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**16 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: Cracked curb and cracked sidewalk.

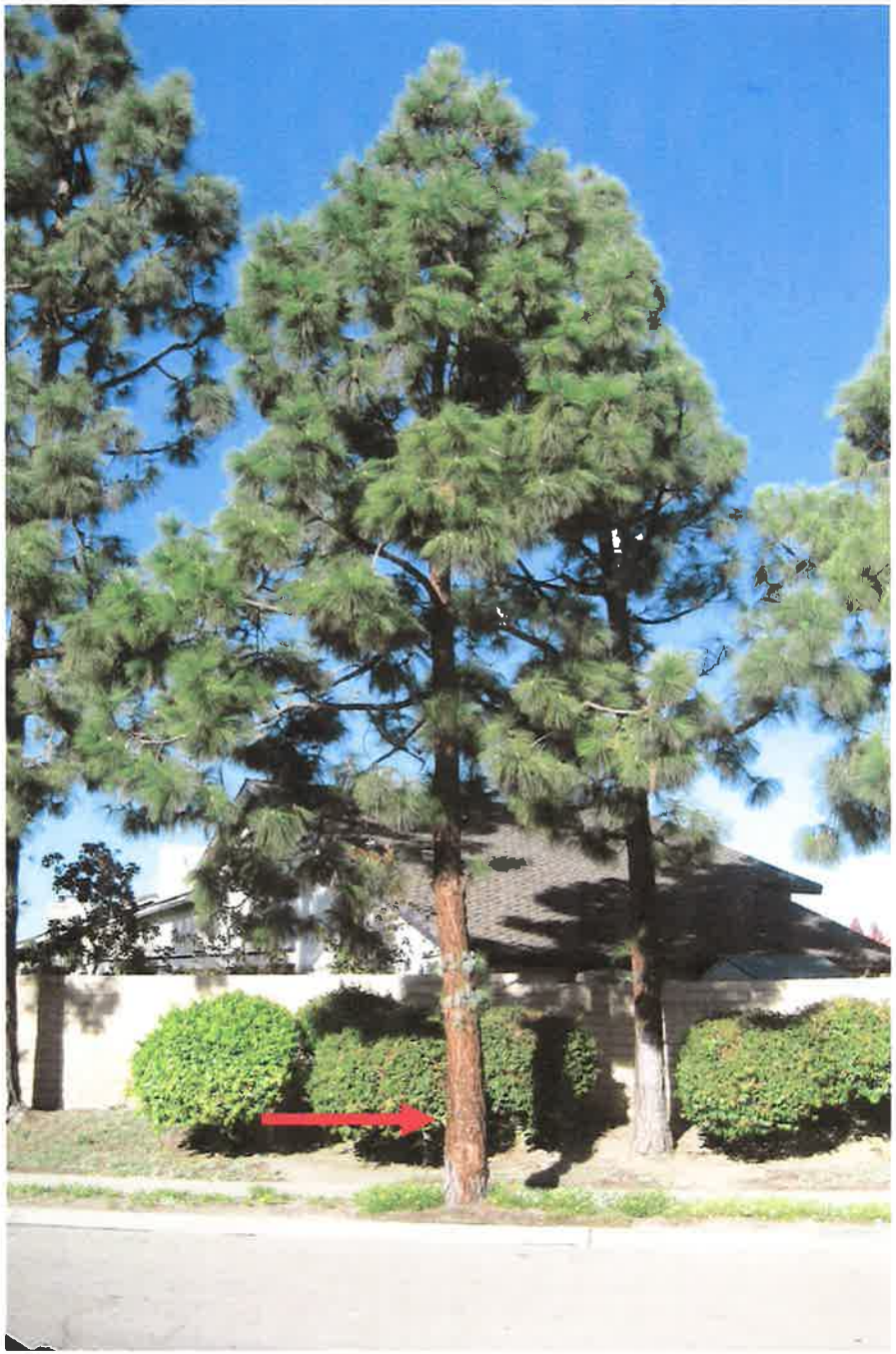
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: ____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning will mitigate hardscape damage.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3062x Yukon Ave. F1 looking north**
Photo #2: **3062x Yukon Ave F1 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F1



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Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Gabriella Oseguera**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**3081 Klondike Ave.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3062x Yukon Ave F2**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$165.00**	
Height:	**45 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**11 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

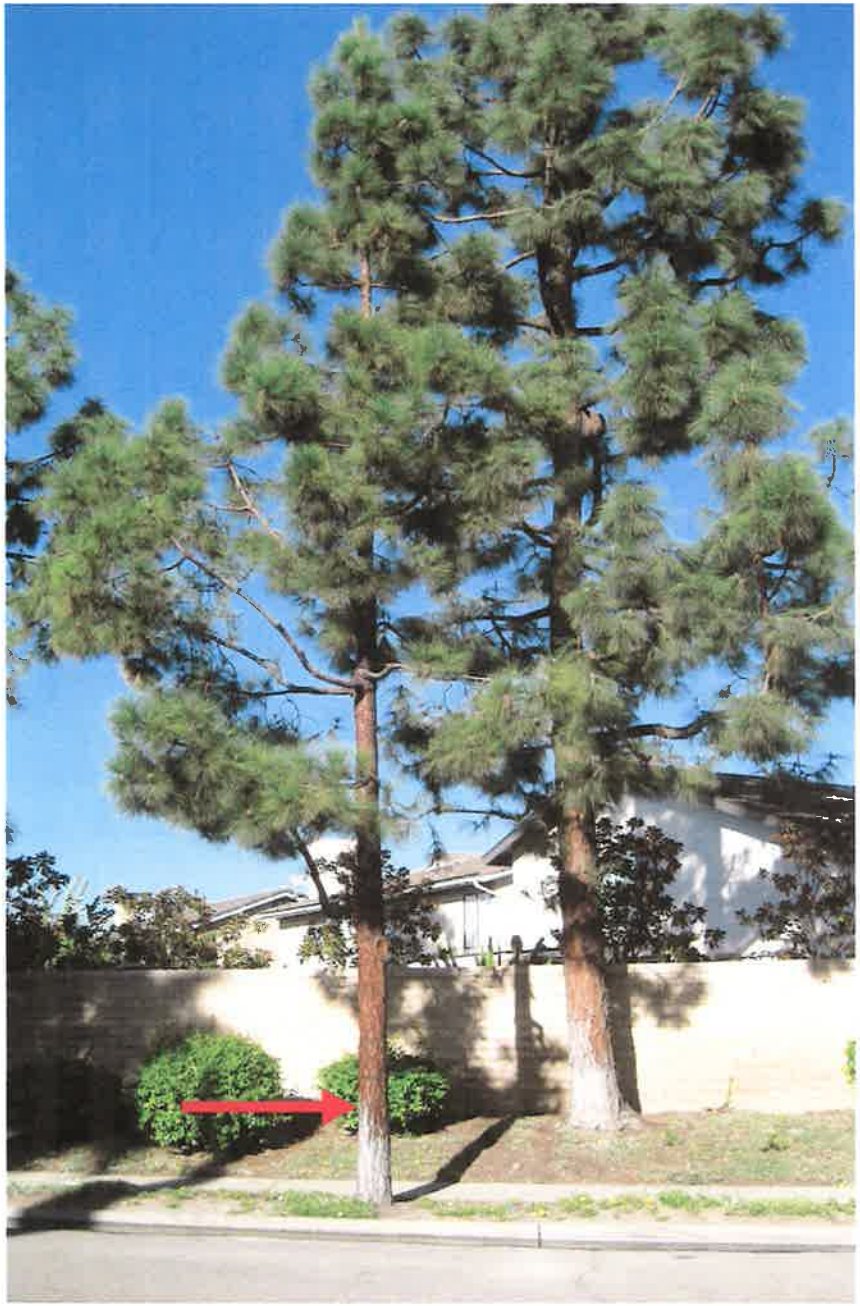
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3062x Yukon Ave. F2 looking north**
Photo #2: **3062x Yukon Ave F2 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F2



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FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Gabriella Oseguera**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**3081 Klondike Ave.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3062x Yukon Ave F3**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$400.00**	
Height:	**60 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**20 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $9,110.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Cracked sidewalk and lifted panel.**

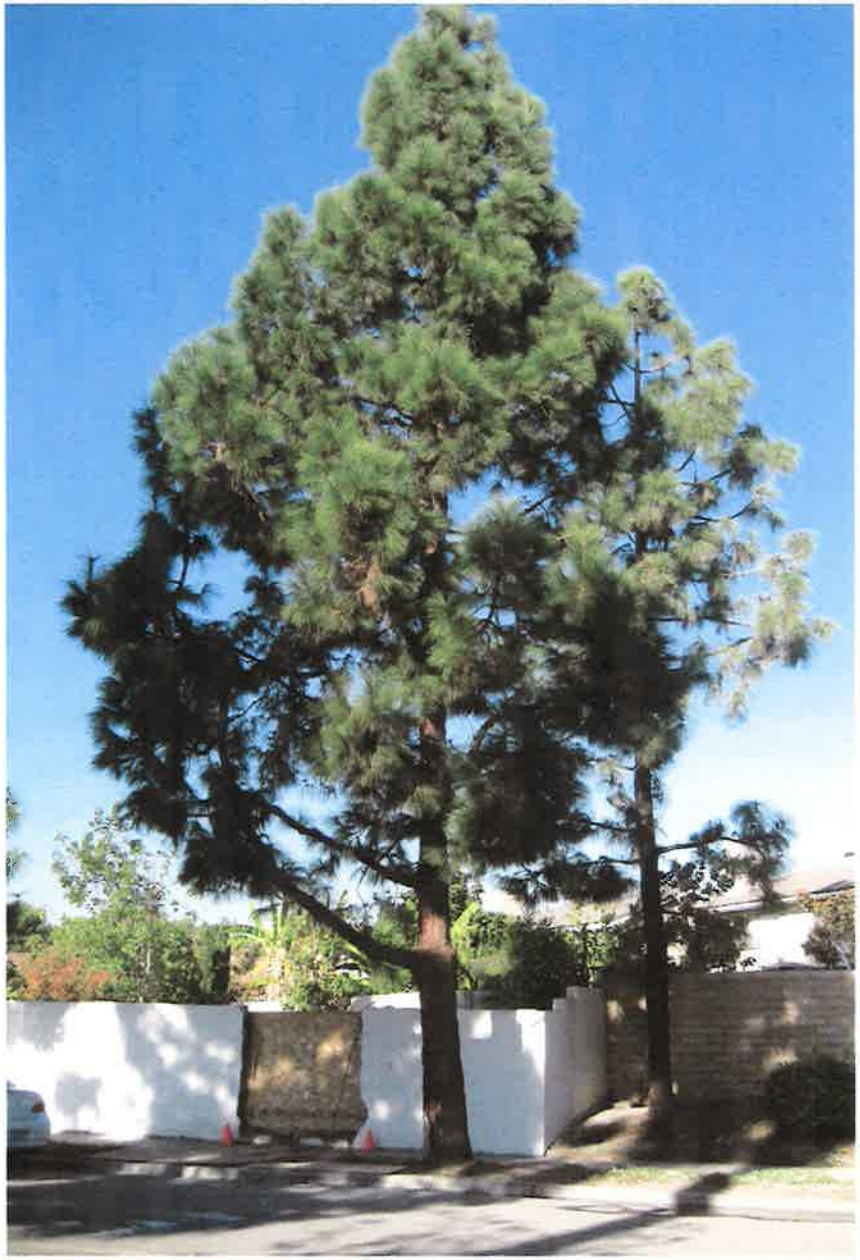
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning will mitigate lifting and cracking.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3062x Yukon Ave. F3 looking north**
Photo #2: **3062x Yukon Ave F3 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F3



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Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Gabriella Oseguera**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**3081 Klondike Ave.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3062x Yukon Ave F4**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$120.00**	
Height:	**30 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**8 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☐ Fair☒ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

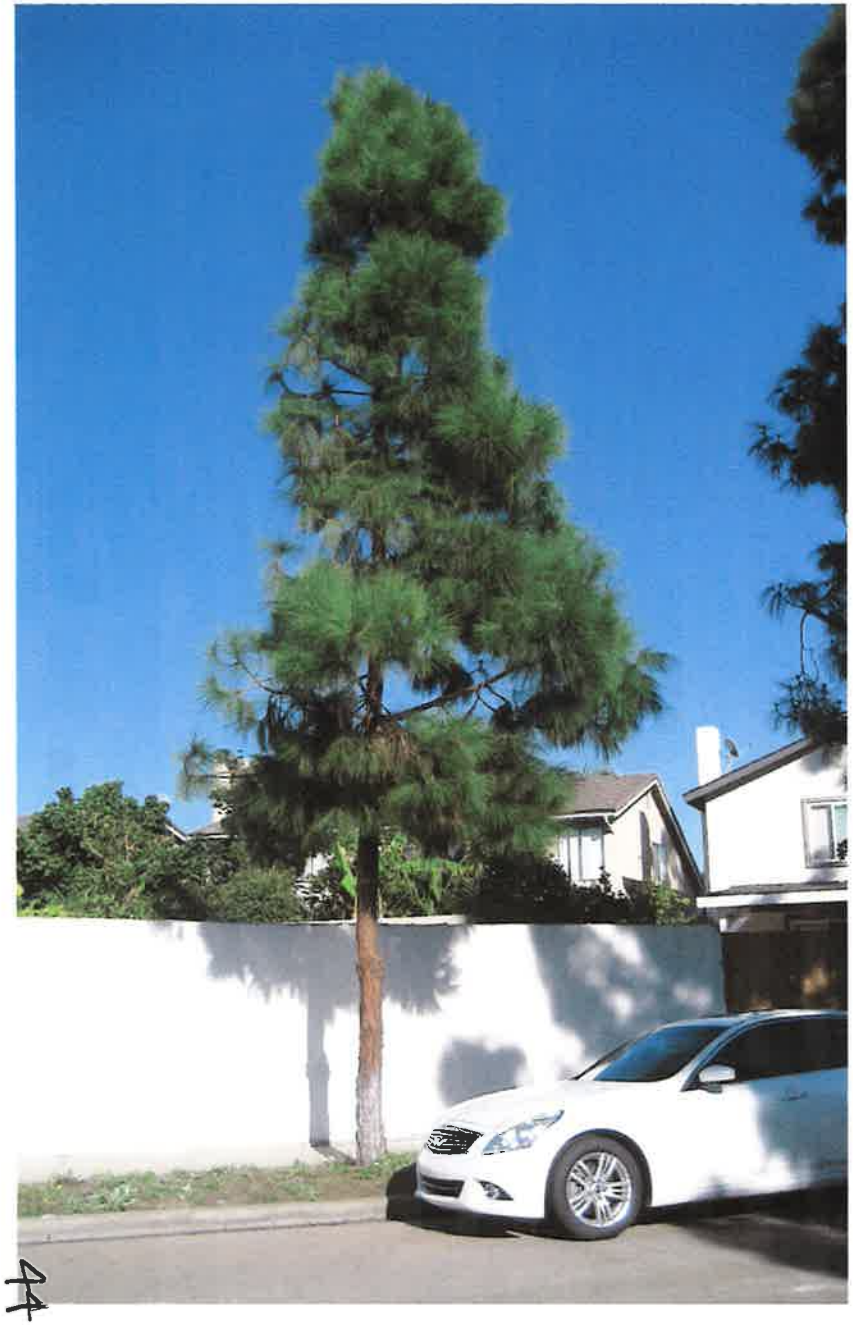
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3062x Yukon Ave. F4 looking north**
Photo #2: **3062x Yukon Ave F4 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F4



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July 31, 2013
October 14, 2013

City of Costa Mesa
77 Fair Drive
Post Office Box 1200
Costa Mesa, CA 92628

ATTN: Interim City Arborist

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you with the request of removal and replacement of the current existing pine trees located on the parkway of Yukon Avenue, in Costa Mesa. There are a total of 8 directly behind my property address location 883 Prospect Place, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. My neighbors have the same trees behind their property but not nearly the equivalent amount as mine but only 1/4.

The trees restrict my ability as an owner to enjoy the reasonable use or economic potential of my property. It also affects the reasonable enjoyment of my property. Over the 11.5 years of owning this property I have had increased gardening and medical cost. These trees invade my property economically and environmentally, which classify it to be an invasive species for this particular location near my home. The amount of litter the tree produces with pinecones and needles is great. In addition I have incurred the cost of re-sodding my backyard twice with failure both times due to lack of sunlight. This is the very destructive result of too many trees and pine needles. The city has pruned the trees and it has had no effect. My children growing up have not and still do not have a backyard with grass like my neighbors' instead we have mud, dirt and pine needles. The needles cover my backyard completely within two hours after the gardeners have left the premises as if they were never here. One of my trashcans is always full which also leaves less space for my daily regular trash. Also the collection of needles on the retaining wall continually adds to and attracts nesting for Rats, Crows, Spiders and Possums. This is an unsanitary and health hazard to my family. With regards to the health hazard the excess amount of pollen that the trees produce yearly strongly affects my children. All 3 are asthmatic and have high allergies. This has raised my medical cost in medicine treatment and doctor visits over the many years. The layer of pollen that covers our property and vehicles is also extremely out of hand. There is one tree particularly that has impacted damage to my retaining wall. I planted a tree when we moved into this house that has crown crooked in its attempt to reach the sun.

The trees in addition to the mess they cause do interfere with a clear drivers sight line when approaching the intersection of Klondike and Yukon. It contributes to a blind curve and this issue has been brought to the attention of the Transportation Services department as well.

I personally have to call the city consistently to request clean up of the needles. The streets are covered with the needles and dirt making our neighborhood entry appear to be un-maintained, dirty and of lower caliber than it is. I look out my

front window and see clean streets and beautifully maintained homes. When I look out of my back window I feel as though I am living in an inner city neighborhood that is uncared for. I am a taxpaying citizen of Costa Mesa and feel as though I have to suffer for the entire neighborhood. It is unfair to my family as a property owner that we cannot enjoy a beautiful backyard like the rest of our neighbors because I have to endure unfairly the con of having Pine trees behind my wall. I have been told the trees are placed behind my house because of the freeway noise, however that was before the Freeway retainer wall was built which is now in place, making that argument unsound to date. Trees are important and I recognize the benefits of trees and because of that I am requesting a new re-landscaping plan to replace and beautify our parkway. The needles also settle on the bushes directly against the retainer wall and lay on the dirt below. I am a firm believer in preservation, however at this point I need replacement of these trees with another breed that can forego longer maintenance times and provides less mess. Also I'd like to use this as an opportunity to beautify our neighborhood with flowering perennials, lush bushes and complimentary trees.

I have personally seen sap within my neighbor's toddler's hair on regularly while he is outside at play. Another major hazard has been after this past 4th of July celebration, I had come across some unknown kids in the early morning hours that decided to take a pile of the needles and start a fire with sparklers. If I had not caught them my current shackle roof would have caught fire from embers. And I need not tell you how lucky I was to catch them and scare them off when that could've been deadly to my family inside. The needles are attracting unsafe play ideas with neighborhood and non-neighborhood children who enter for entrance to the Schiffer Park. This is what has spear headed me to take this time to write this letter after unsuccessful resolve from all the other options. I have spoken verbally with my direct next-door neighbors and they are in agreement with assisting in any way for tree replacement and removal. They also have had to have continuous clean up in their backyards however no one has the extent of damage my backyard has because of the trees.

I respectfully expect the full reading of my letter to be considered heavily and look forward to a very quick response. I am tired of being embarrassed of having company that I cannot entertain in my beautiful home in my disgusting backyard. I am not a rich woman and cannot afford to re landscape a third time at this point in my life. Nor should I incur any cost after all the cost I have over the years, currently and from two failed attempts previous.

I look forward to hearing from your offices within the week. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this letter; I will be elated to speak with someone.

Sincerely,

Kelly Waterman
Proud Costa Mesa Home Owner

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Kelly Waterman [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 5:04 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE
Cc: Gabriella Oseguera; daniel.dominquez@costamesaca.gov
Subject: Tree Problem
Attachments: City tree letter.docx; ATT00001.htm

Dear Daniel,

I am attaching a letter to follow up on my many phone calls and your visits to my property at 883 Prospect Place, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 with regards to the Pine Trees. I am requesting formally immediate removal of the trees due to the many reasons detailed in my attached letter. Briefly the reasons being high maintenance that the city is not maintaining and the cost to me is high, health reasons of pollens and rodent attractions, the visual mess that makes our neighborhood look inner city and lots lots more. I have 8 in my property vicinity and I cannot enjoy a decent backyard with kids and I am highly embarrassed by friends and family that visit. I encourage you to read my letter in its entirety and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

I have attached pictures that will follow in a separate email for you to view.

Kind Regards,

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Kelly Waterman [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2013 1:38 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE
Subject: Re: Tree Problem

Thank you Bruce, I am working with Gabriella Oseguera on this and we will be attending together. I also have another two neighbors next door to me that have the trees behind them that will attend with me at the meeting as well.

Gabriella called me and updated me on your conversation so we will be attending as a united group.

Thank you
Kelly :)
On Oct 17, 2013, at 1:07 PM, "HARTLEY, BRUCE" <BRUCE.HARTLEY@costamesaca.gov> wrote:

> Good Afternoon Ms. Waterman,
>
> I will agendize your request for all 28 trees to be removed.
>
> Thank you
> Bruce Hartley
> Maintenance Services Manager
> City of Costa Mesa
> 714.754.5164

From: Kelly Waterman [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2013 12:02 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE
Subject: Re: Tree Problem

Good Morning Mr. Hartley,

I want all 28 trees removed and replaced. I mentioned that the overall street appearance is ugly and unkept.
Not just my 8 but all 28 need to be replaced and beautification on this street.

I appreciate the quick response to my letter and will speak with my neighbors and attend the meeting.

Kind Regards,
Kelly Waterman

Kelly Waterman
www.[redacted].com

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Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Kelly Waterman**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3046x Yukon Ave F5**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$280.00**	
Height:	**60 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**14 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move. Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

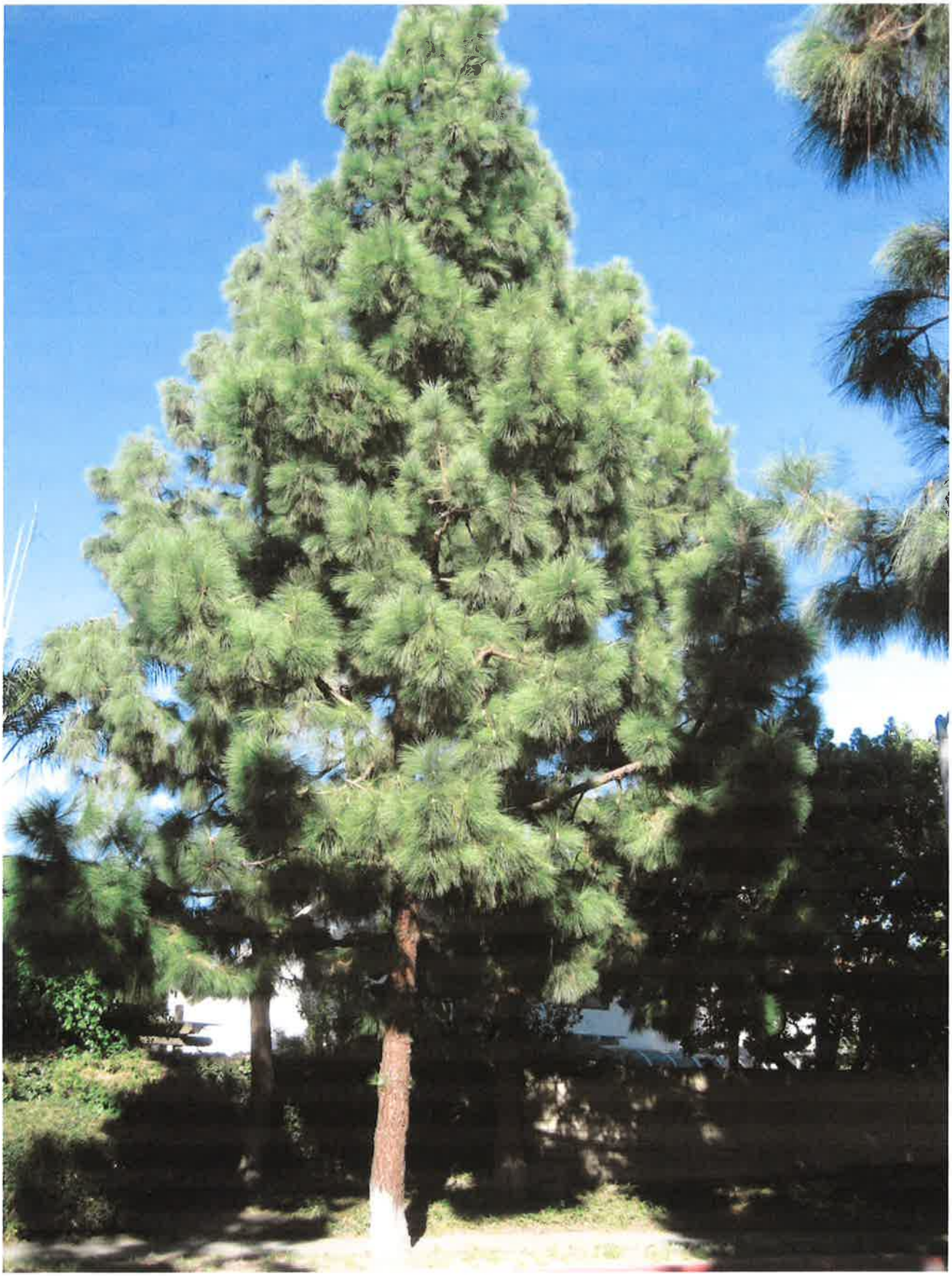
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident: _____

Date Information Packet Mailed: _____

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3046x Yukon Ave. F5 looking north**
Photo #2: **3046x Yukon Ave F5 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F5



City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Kelly Waterman**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave F6**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$320.00**	
Height:	**60 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**16 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move. Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident: _____

Date Information Packet Mailed: _____

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3046x Yukon Ave F6 looking north**
Photo #2: **3046x Yukon Ave F6 base of tree**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F6

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Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Kelly Waterman**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope #9**
Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$340.00**
Height: **55 Feet**
Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter: **17 Inches**
Size of Right-of-Way: **20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐
Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is too close to other trees on the slope. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon Ave. slope 9 looking north**
Photo #2:
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received:

Name of Resident:	**Kelly Waterman**	Requesting Party:	
Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope #10**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$280.00**	
Height:	**55 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**14 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is too close to other trees on the slope. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon Ave slope 10 looking north**
Photo #2:
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #9 & #10

City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

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Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope #11**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$320.00**	
Height:	**60 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**16 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is too close to other trees on the slope. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☐ No☒ Date Photos Taken:
Photo #1:
Photo #2:
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

City of Costa Mesa
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FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
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Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope #12**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$300.00**	
Height:	**55 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**15 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is too close to other trees on the slope. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3040 Yukon Ave slope 12 looking north**
Photo #2:
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

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Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave. Slope #13**
Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)= **$320.00**
Height: **60 Feet**
Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter: **16 Inches**
Size of Right-of-Way: **20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐
Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is too close to other trees on the slope. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Lifting of sidewalk.**

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning on the south side of the tree will mitigate lifting of the sidewalk.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐
Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon slope 13 looking north**
Photo #2: **3040x Yukon slope 13 base**
Photo #3:
Photo #4:

City of Costa Mesa
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Address:	**883 Prospect Pl.**	Address:	
Home Phone:		Home Phone:	
Work Phone:		Work Phone:	

Date Inspected: **10/31/13**
Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**
Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species:	**Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave. Slope #14**	Removal Cost: (DBH x $20.00)=	**$280.00**
Height:	**50 Feet**	Width of Sidewalk:	**4 Feet**
Trunk Diameter:	**14 Inches**	Size of Right-of-Way:	**20 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree is too large to move and base of the tree is adjacent to wall. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Lifting of sidewalk. Roots and trunk of the tree is cracking the wall.**

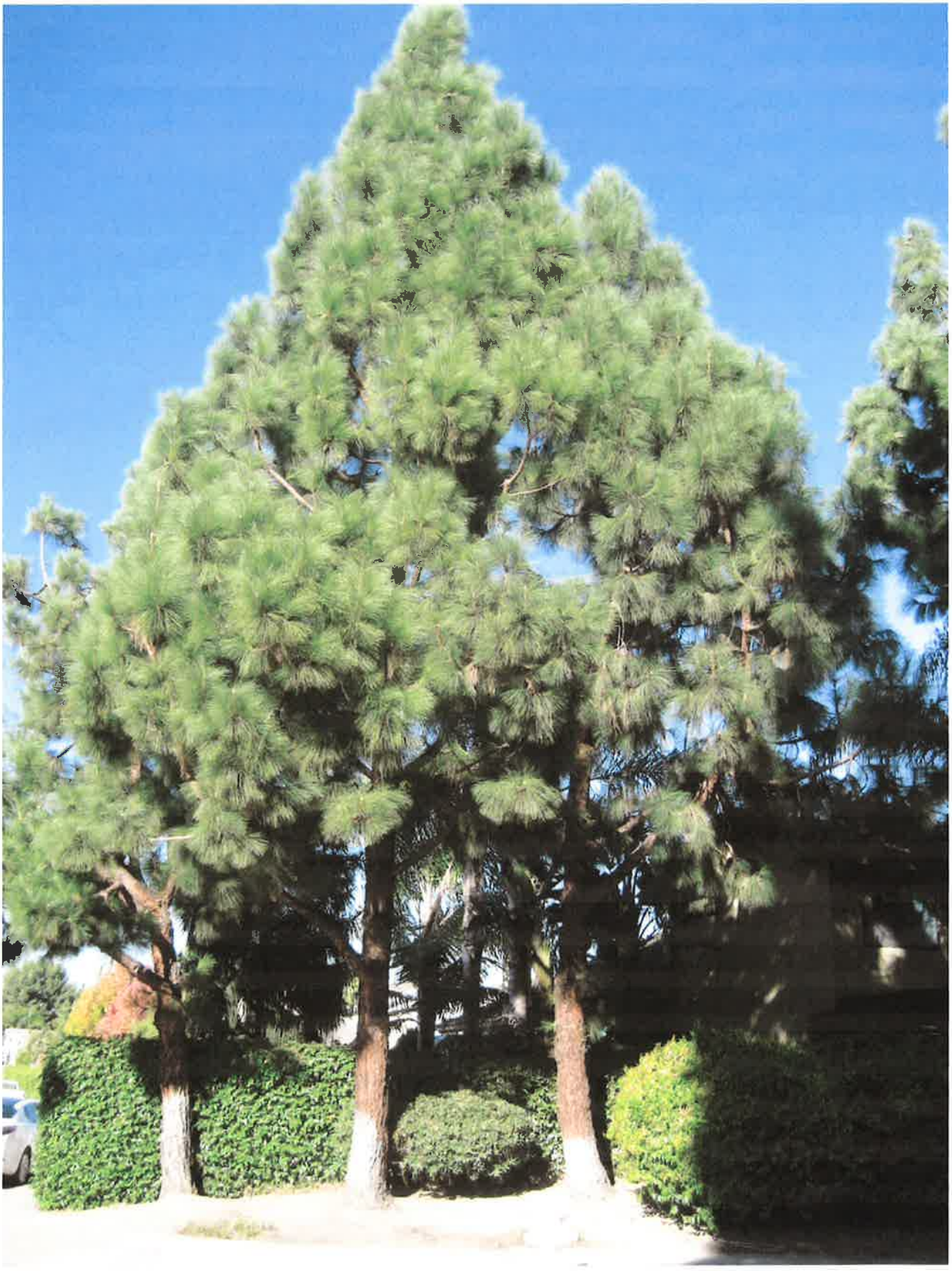
Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning on the south side of the tree will mitigate lifting of the sidewalk. There is no way to root prune the tree to mitigate cracking of the wall.**
Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **10/31/2013**
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon Slope 14 looking north**
Photo #2: **3040x Yukon Slope 14 looking east**
Photo #3: **3040x Yukon Slope 14 base**
Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #12, #13 & #14



ATTACHMENT #3

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Johnny [redacted]
Sent: Saturday, November 02, 2013 11:03 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE
Subject: Pine Trees Issues Yukon Street

Dear Mr. Hartley,

My name is John Garabedian, and I have resided in Costa Mesa at 875 Prospect Place for over 8 years. I am writing this letter to you in regards to the issues I am facing due to the Pine Trees located behind my property along the entry way to our neighborhood. I am requesting that these trees be removed. These trees are causing unnecessary health issues to my family, damage to my landscaping on my property, and additional costs to maintaining my pool. There are a total of 5 large pine trees covering my backyard, and 15 trees on my block. The largest concern I have is for my children. We deal with a large amount of pollen that surrounds our home and also makes it way in. I have 3 children, 8 years old and younger and one in particular had open heart surgery at time of birth. His left side of his heart is smaller than a usual boy his age which makes his heart work harder. You can read about his story actually at www.johnsstory.com. The excess amount of pollen directly associated with the pine trees are a concern. I am continually concerned about their exposure at such a young age, especially Johnny's exposure given his compromised health. There is always a heavy film of the pine tree pollen not only in our backyard, but also penetrating into our house, and all the way to our front yard. In addition to these imminent health concerns, the pine trees also block a large amount of sun light on the area of my backyard directly next to it. I am having a hard time keeping up with my landscaping. With the additional pollen and debris from the pine trees, it also is making it more difficult to maintain my pool. I am running my pump longer to clear my pool top and I also have to have my filters cleaned more often to clear up the debris and pollen trapped on it. This is all an additional cost to already the high cost of maintaining a pool.

I am not sure why the entry has the excessive amount of pine trees, however the negative effects of those trees far outweigh whatever good intentions someone had when they may have been planted. I have spoken to my neighbors and they all have the similar issues with the pine trees. I hope this request is moved upon quickly and an agreeable resolution can be reached soon.

Best Regards,

Johnny Garabedian
875 Prospect Place
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
[redacted]

City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received: **11/06/2013**

Name of Resident: Requesting Party:

Address: **875 Prospect Pl.** Address:

Home Phone: Home Phone:

Work Phone: Work Phone:

Date Inspected: **11/06/13**

Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**

Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope 5**

Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$180.00**

Height: **40 Feet**

Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**

Trunk Diameter: **12 Inches**

Size of Right-of-Way: **10 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐

Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☐ Poor☒

Comments: **Tree growing too close to perimeter wall to obtain enough of a root system for survival. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**

Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **11/06/2013**

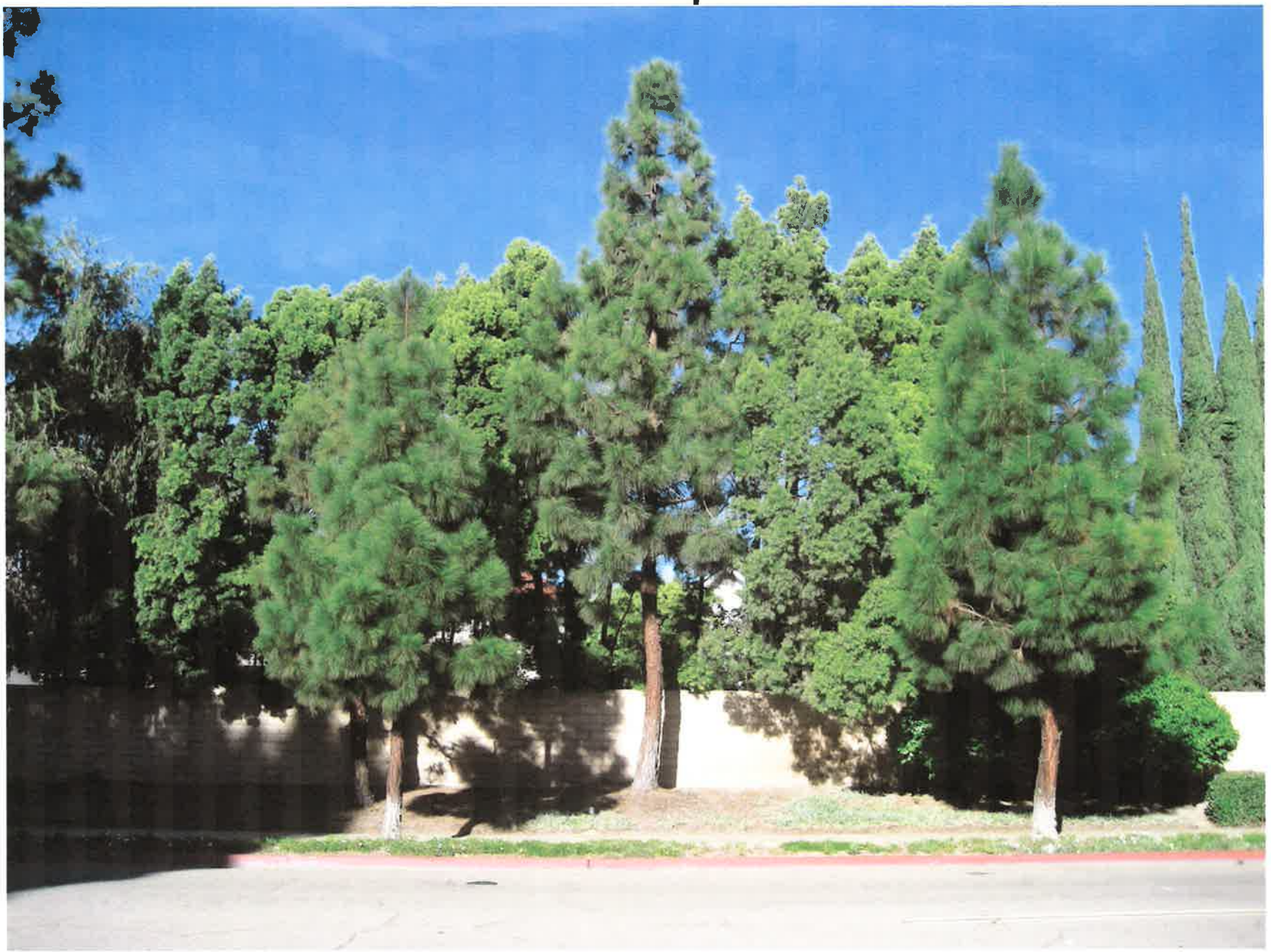
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon Ave. Slope 5 looking north**

Photo #2: **3040x Yukon Ave. Slope 5 base of tree**

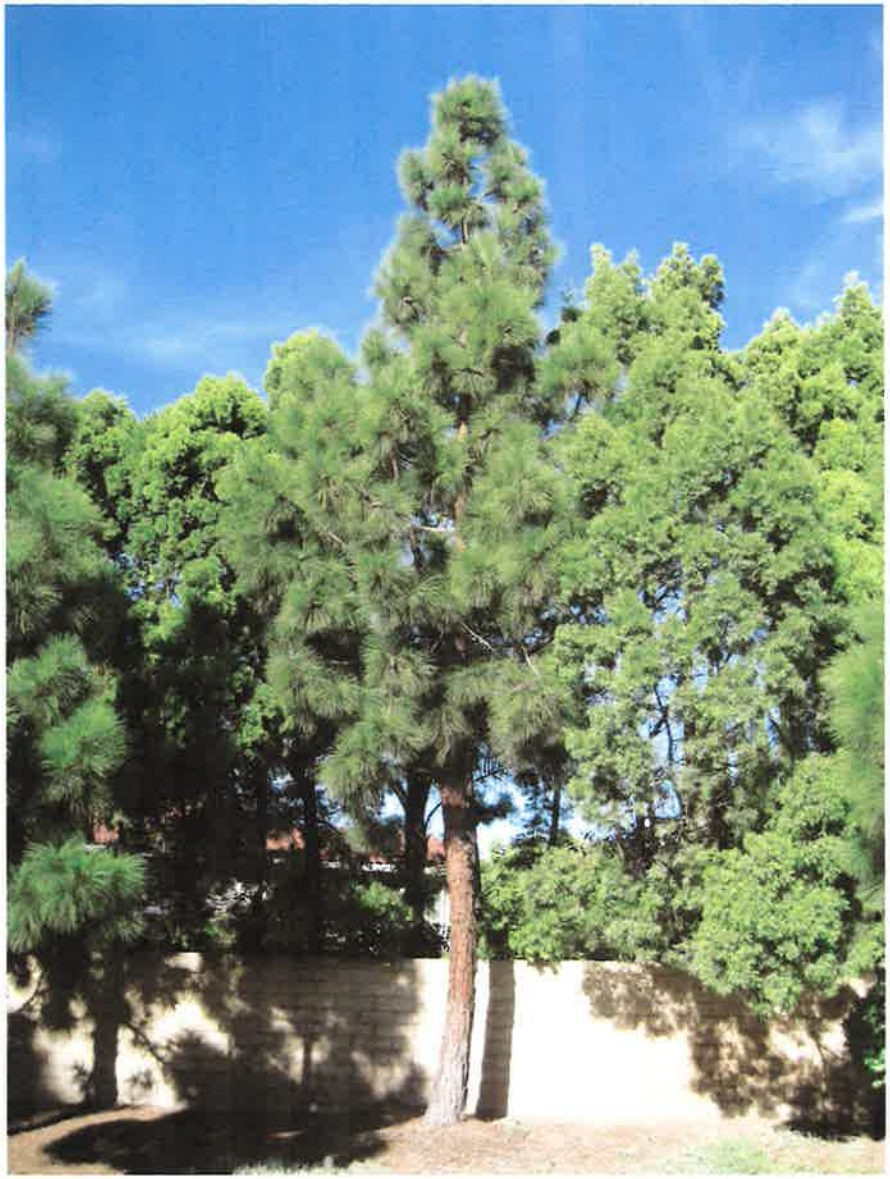
Photo #3:

Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue Trees
Behind 875 Prospect Place



Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #5



City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received: **11/06/2013**

Name of Resident: _____ Requesting Party: _____

Address: **875 Prospect Pl.** Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Date Inspected: **11/06/13**

Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**

Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3040x Yukon Ave Slope 6**

Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$150.00**

Height: **25 Feet** Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**

Trunk Diameter: **10 Inches** Size of Right-of-Way: **10 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐

Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☒ No☐

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☒ Poor☐

Comments: **Tree planted in the middle of the slope landscape. There is enough open space to obtain a box big enough to sustain a large root system. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**

Date of Response to Resident: _____

Date Information Packet Mailed: _____

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **11/06/2013**

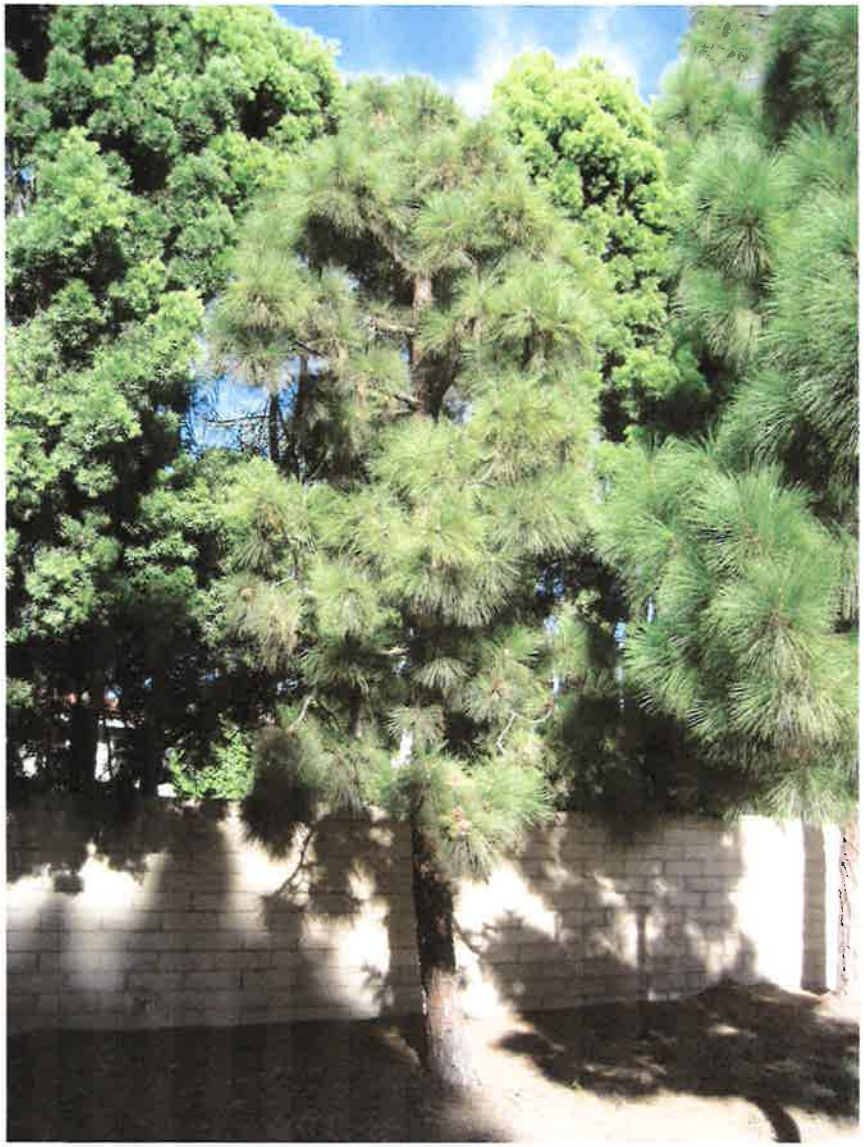
Photo #1: **3040x Yukon Ave. Slope 6 looking north**

Photo #2: **3040x Yukon Ave. Slope 6 base of tree**

Photo #3:

Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Slope Tree #6



City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received: **11/06/2013**

Name of Resident: _____ Requesting Party: _____

Address: **875 Prospect Pl.** Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Date Inspected: **11/06/13**

Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**

Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3046x Yukon Ave F2** Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$150.00**

Height: **35 Feet** Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**

Trunk Diameter: **10 Inches** Size of Right-of-Way: **10 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐ Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☒ Poor☐

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☒ No☐

If Yes, describe damage: **Slight lifting of the sidewalk.**

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning will mitigate lifting of the sidewalk.**

Date of Response to Resident: _____

Date Information Packet Mailed: _____

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐ Date Photos Taken: **11/06/2013**

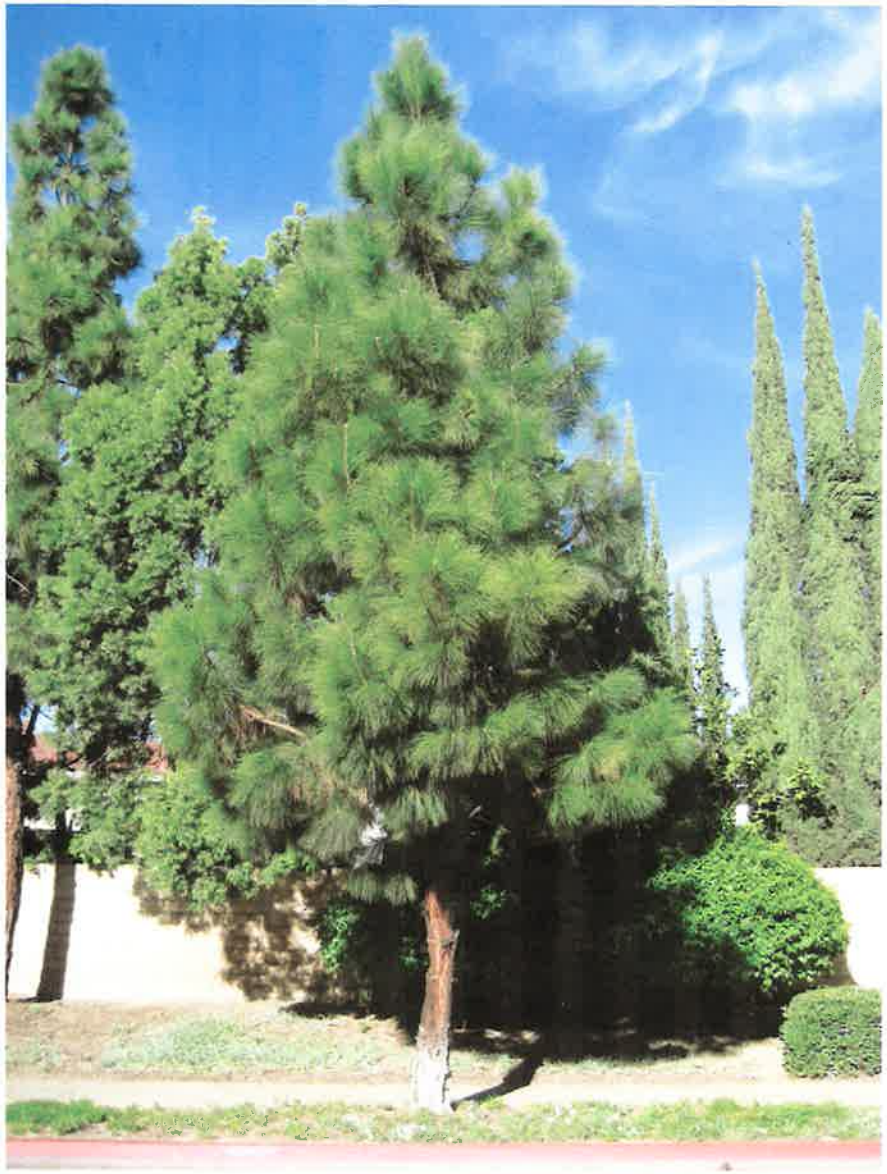
Photo #1: **3046x Yukon Ave. F2 looking north**

Photo #2: **3046x Yukon Ave F2 base of tree**

Photo #3:

Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F2



City of Costa Mesa
Maintenance Services Division
FIELD INSPECTION – TREE INFORMATION

Denial	☒	Category	1☐	2☐	3☒
Supporting	☐	Category	1☐	2☐	3☐

Date Request Received: **11/06/2013**

Name of Resident: | Requesting Party:

Address: **875 Prospect Pl.** | Address:

Home Phone: | Home Phone:

Work Phone: | Work Phone:

Date Inspected: **11/06/13**

Inspected By: **Daniel Dominguez III – Interim City Arborist**

Parkway Maintenance Report: ☐

Tree Species: **Pinus canariensis 3046x Yukon Ave F3**

Removal Cost: (DBH x $15.00)= **$120.00**

Height: **30 Feet**

Width of Sidewalk: **4 Feet**

Trunk Diameter: **8 Inches**

Size of Right-of-Way: **10 Feet**

Health: Good☒ Fair☐ Poor☐

Date of Last Pruning: **5/05/2011**

Is the Tree a good candidate for Relocation? Yes☐ No☒

Likelihood of survival: Good☐ Fair☒ Poor☐

Comments: **Extensive damage to curb & gutter and sidewalk would be required to box the tree. Estimated value in Arbor Access is $4,890.00**

Concrete Damage: Yes☐ No☒

If Yes, describe damage:

Can the Tree be Root Pruned: Yes☒ No☐ Date: _____

Root Pruning Comments: **Root pruning not required.**

Date of Response to Resident:

Date Information Packet Mailed:

Photos Taken: Yes☒ No☐

Date Photos Taken: **11/06/2013**

Photo #1: **3046x Yukon Ave. F3 looking north**

Photo #2: **3046x Yukon Ave F3 base of tree**

Photo #3:

Photo #4:

Yukon Avenue – Tree F3

HARTLEY, BRUCE

From: Claire [redacted]
Sent: Sunday, November 03, 2013 8:50 PM
To: HARTLEY, BRUCE; daniel.dominquez@costamesaca.gov
Subject: Pine trees on Yukon

Dear Mr. Hartley and Mr. Dominquez,

I am writing in support of my neighbors regarding the excessive numbers of pine trees behind our back fences on Yukon Street. While we appreciate having some form of greenery there to mitigate the freeway noises, these particular trees have created an ongoing mess from falling pine needles that cover our streets and back yards. Since the pines have now reached great heights, every time there is some breeze or wind, we've come to dread the clean-up that inevitably awaits us from the littered pine needles. Furthermore, every spring, those pines release pollen that renders a yellow powder covering everything around our homes, including patio furniture and cars that are parked outside. It is also a health hazard for allergy sufferers.
Kindly take our concerns under consideration and replace those trees with something of lower maintenance and health-friendly.

Regards,

ATTACHMENT #5

DUPLICATE

SHEET 3 OF 3 SHEETS
GROSS AREA 9.46 ACRES
41 LOTS AND LOTS A, B, C AND D
(ALL OF TENTATIVE TRACT NO 10513)

TRACT NO. 10513

IN THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, COUNTY OF ORANGE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FEB 28 1979 AT 8:00 AM
AT REQUEST OF
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INS CO
ORANGE COUNTY RECDR.
BRANCH County Recdr.
$9.00

BEING A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF LOT 2, OF BLOCK "C" OF THE BERRY TRACT, AS SHOWN ON A MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE 6 OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

JULY, 1978

JAMES J. BRENNAN - R.C.E. 20801

JAMES J. BRENNAN - CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERS

DATE OF SURVEY - JULY 14, 1978

41 LOTS AND LOTS A, B, C AND D
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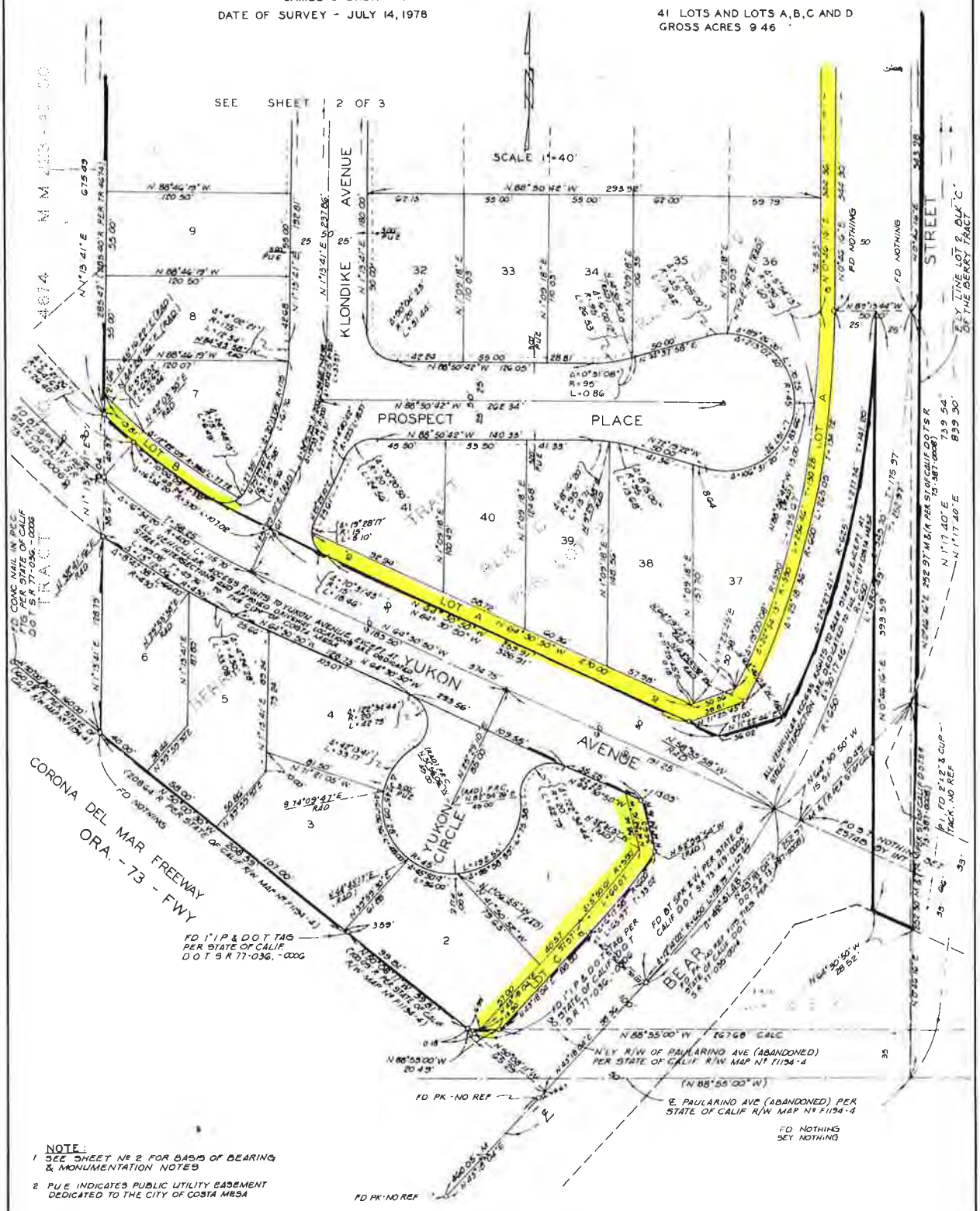

NOTE:
1 SEE SHEET Nº 2 FOR BASIS OF BEARING & MONUMENTATION NOTES
2 P.U.E. INDICATES PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT DEDICATED TO THE CITY OF COSTA MESA

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ATTACHMENT #6

November 8, 2013

Resident
Address
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Re: Notice of Public Meeting - Yukon Avenue Tree Removal

Dear Resident:

You are receiving this letter to inform you of four formal requests received by the City from property owners in the Yukon Avenue corridor requesting the removal replacement of up to twenty-eight (28) parkway and landscape set-back trees located on the north side of the street between Bear Avenue and Klondike Avenue, along Yukon Avenue.

The requests have been agendized for the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 21, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. You are invited to attend the meeting, which will be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 77 Fair Drive. The agenda report relating to this request can be found on the City's website at www.costamesaca.gov. The City Council has empowered the Parks and Recreation Commission to make determinations on requests for the removal of City-owned trees.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at (714) 754-5164. Should you wish to provide written comments for the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding this topic, you may do so by mailing them to "Parks & Recreation Commission, City of Costa Mesa, P.O. Box 1200, Costa Mesa, CA 92628 or by e-mailing them to ParksCommission@costamesaca.gov.

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Hartley

Bruce A. Hartley
Maintenance Services Manager