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Community Development Department

December 14, 2017

NOTICE OF TREE REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

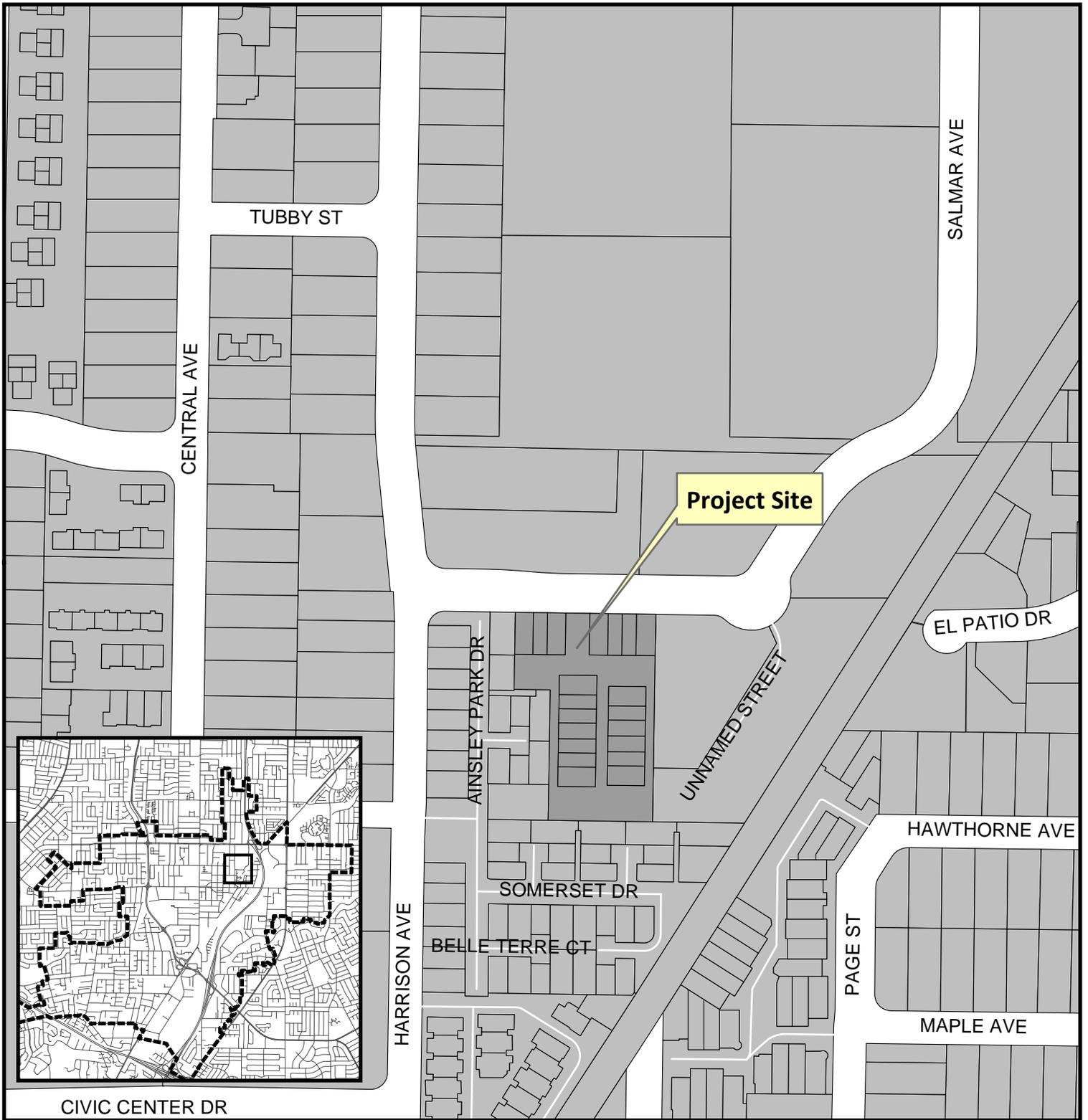
Notice is hereby given that the Community Development Department of the City of Campbell has received an application for a Tree Removal Permit (PLN2017-382) for the removal of five (5) Brisbane Box trees located along the east and west perimeters of the townhome development at **160-470 Salmar Avenue** (Sonata of Campbell). If approved, removal of the trees is subject to the replanting requirement of the Campbell Municipal Code.

This is your opportunity to provide comments. The 10-day comment period for this application will begin on December 14, 2017, and end on January 2, 2018 (accounting for the holiday closure). Comments regarding this application must be submitted in writing (including email) to the Planning Division before 5:00 p.m. on **January 2, 2018**. No additional notice will be provided. A copy of the Tree Removal Permit application, and all associated documents, are available for review from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Community Development Department, City Hall, 70 North First Street, Campbell, California and on the City's 'Public Notices' web page (<http://www.cityofcampbell.com/501/Public-Notices>) under 'Administrative Decisions'.

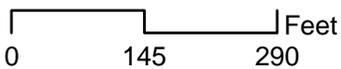
Decisions by the Community Development Director are final in 10 calendar days following the date of approval, unless an appeal is received in writing (including email) at the Community Development Department, 70 N. First Street, Campbell, prior to the end of the appeal period. A written appeal must be accompanied with the required \$750 appeal filing fee.

Questions or comments regarding this application may be addressed to Naz Pouya, Planning Technician, in the Community Development Department at (408) 866-2144 or nazp@cityofcampbell.com.

Project Location Map



Project Location: 160-470 Salmar Ave
Application Type: Tree Removal Permit
Planning File No.: PLN2017-382
Description: Removal of Five (5) Brisbane Box Trees



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Rob Weber
466 Salmar Avenue
Campbell, CA 95008
December 4, 2017

City of Campbell
City Planning
70 North First Street
Campbell, CA 95008

RE: Tree Removal Permit Application

Dear City of Campbell:

My name is Rob Weber and I serve on the board of the Sonata of Campbell Homeowner's Association. Several residents have complained about trees that are growing improperly and appear to be ready to fall down. The issue was brought up with our landscaping company and despite several attempts to prop up the trees, they are still a problem.

I met with Sara McMahon, an arborist from Commercial Tree Care, and Israel Fonseca from F&H Landscaping and we performed a walkthrough of the property. We deemed five trees to be in particular peril and would like to have them removed and replaced with something more appropriate.

Find attached the following items pertaining to the removal and replacement of five trees at the Sonata of Campbell townhome complex:

- Completed Tree Removal Permit Application
- Payment in the amount of \$401 for the application fee
- A site plan for the removal and replacement
- Color pictures of the affected trees
- A letter from the arborist explaining the need for the tree removal
- This letter providing the Sonata of Campbell HOA's approval

Please let me know if you need anything else or have any questions. You can reach me at 408-806-8901.

Sincerely,



Rob Weber



Commercial Tree Care

A Rhino Enterprises Company

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December 1, 2017

Sonata of Campbell
Salmar Terrace
Campbell CA 95008

Thank you for providing Commercial Tree Care with the opportunity to preview the five Brisbane Box trees located near and around units 161, 165, 162, 176, and 187 Salmar Terrace. All inspections made were visual and there were no soil or tissue samples taken. No scans, such as tomography scans, were used during the evaluation. The following are my findings:

Located along the outer perimeter of the complex in Campbell California are several Brisbane Box trees, *Lophostemon confertus*. Five of these trees in particular have developed with poor structure. The circumferences are at approximately between 5 and 8 inches measured at 4.5 feet above grade level. These Brisbane Box trees are approximately 25 feet tall with a 3- 4 foot crown spread. These trees are located in a high traffic area where pedestrians constantly walk and pass under on a daily basis. There are various other species of trees growing nearby and within the complex.

This species is usually cultivated as an ornamental tree, and is planted throughout California. It often is planted in landscape settings with the possibility of providing shade and aesthetics to a site. These Brisbane Box trees typically grow erect or spreading and require ample growing space. Due to the amount of trees planted and the close proximity of trees next to each, sufficient spacing was not provided between the trees. As a result from the overcrowding, some trees grew tall and skinny searching for the light in the competition between each other. Some developed with a lean caused by phototropism. The five trees in particular developed with such a lean that they are now at risk of falling over. They have become too skinny and too top heavy for the trunk to support with little structural integrity. The remaining trees should be pruned in a way to pinch the tips of the branches in order to promote more girth growth to support the weight and height of the canopy.

It is for the above reasons that the residents would like to remove and replace these trees with a more suitable species. The residents would like to alleviate any future hazards by removing five of the Brisbane Box trees and replacing them with five 24in box size Crape Myrtles. Timely removal of these trees will help eliminate some hazards and safety concerns. In addition; removing these trees will increase the safety of nearby residents as well as reduce the risk of any liability/ property damage. Included is proposed new landscape plan.

Please feel free to contact me
Thank you,
Sara McMahan- ISA Certified Arborist
#WE- 8094A (408) 472-2083

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Salmar Terrace

Replacement Plan

- 24in Box
- Crape Myrtle

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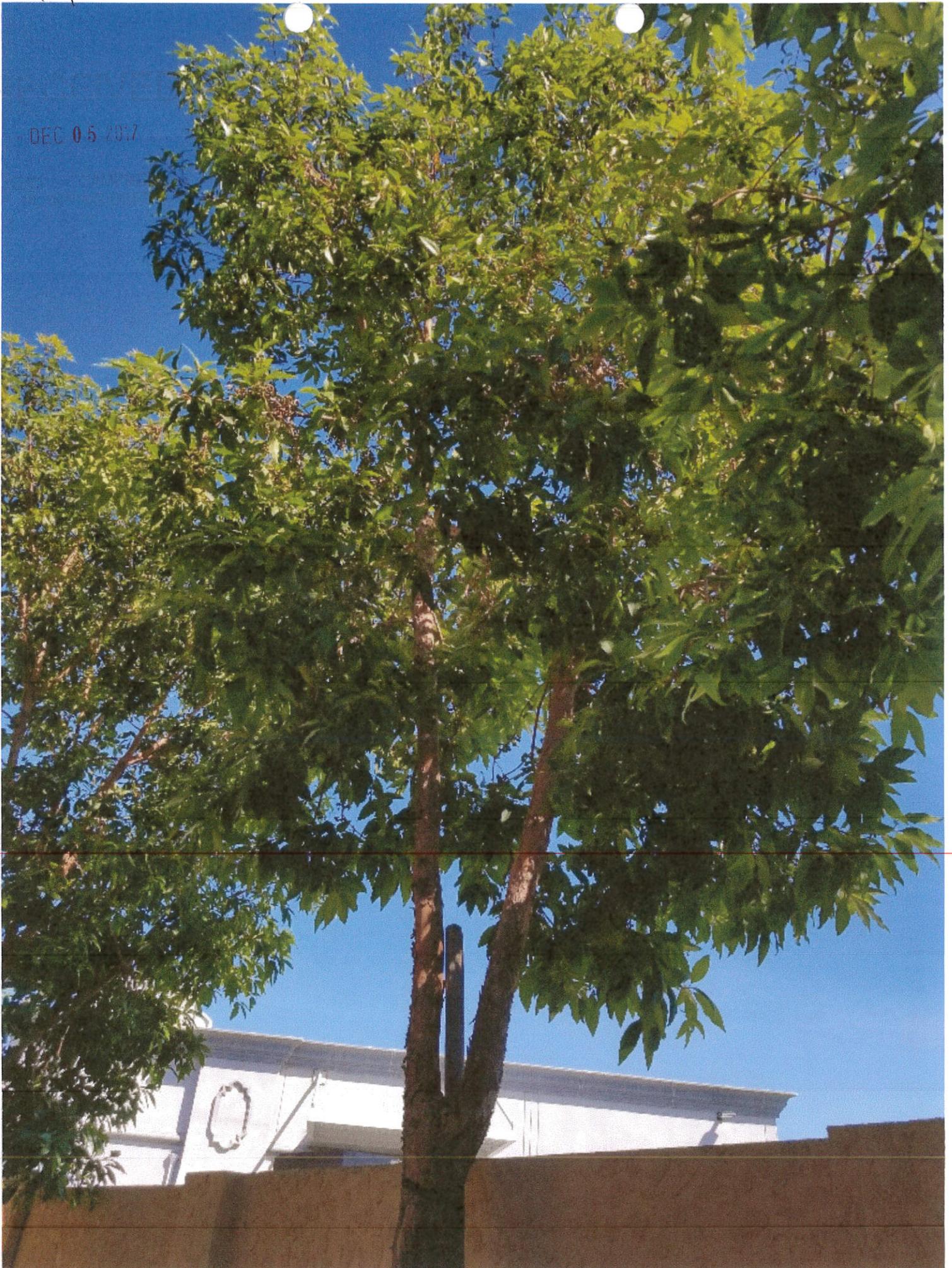


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