AGENDA
SIERRA MADRE TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 2012
7:00 PM
City Hall – Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Kathleen Blanchard, Chair
Caroline Brown, Vice Chair
Jeff Hall, Commissioner
Bryan Horsman, Commissioner
Roy Leisure, Commissioner
Bill Robinson, Commissioner
Ilona Volkmann, Commissioner

Bruce Inman, Director of Public Works
Liz Cowan, Administrative Intern

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL	Chair Blanchard/Director Inman
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	A Commissioner shall lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Majority vote of the Commission to proceed with City business.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Approval of minutes for the Tree Advisory Commission meeting of December 21, 2011.
STAFF AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS	Brief reports of any conferences attended, individual Commissioner activities, or City staff activities relating to Tree Commission business occurring since the last Commission meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Tree Advisory Commission is prohibited from taking action on items not on the agenda, but the matter may be referred to staff or to a subsequent meeting. Each speaker for Public Comment will be limited to five (5) continuous minutes, which may not be delegated. These rules will be enforced but may be changed by appropriate Tree Advisory Commission action.

ACTION ITEMS[1]

1. DISCUSSION OF GOALS FOR TREE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT	*The Commission will discuss proposed changes to the current Ordinance.*

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

a.) 82-84 W. Laurel Ave., Front #1; Italian Cypress *Cupressus sempervirens*

3. TRIMMING, REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT REQUESTS

a.) 259 E. Grand View Ave., Front #1-4; Review a request from resident to remove four (4) Camphor trees *Cinnamomum camphora* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

b.) 318 W. Montecito Ave., Front #1-2; Review a request from resident to check the health and condition of a Camphor *Cinnamomum camphora* and a Jacaranda *Jacaranda mimisifolia* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

c.) 56 W. Mira Monte Ave., Front #1-2; Review a request from resident to remove a Camphor *Cinnamomum camphora* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

d.) 593 Ramona Ave., Front #1; Review a request from resident to check the health and condition of an Engelmann Oak *Quercus engelmannii* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

e.) 372 W. Highland Ave., Front #1; Review a request from resident to check the health and condition of a Canary Island Pine *Pinus canariensis* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

f.) 497 W. Orange Grove Ave., Side #3; Review a request from resident to check the health and condition of a Southern Magnolia *Magnolia grandiflora* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

g.) 448 W. Highland Ave., Front # 2; Review a request from resident to check the health and condition of a Canary Island Pine *Pinus canariensis* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

h.) Sierra Vista Park, Heasley Field; Review a request from staff to check the health and condition of two (2) California Sycamores *Platanus racemosa* located in the park. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

i.) Memorial Park- Community Garden; Review a request from staff to check the health and condition of a Carob *Ceratonia siliqua* located in the park. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

j.) Kersting Court; Review a request from staff to check the health and condition of a California Pepper *Schinus molle* located in the park. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming, and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

4. WATCHLIST REVIEW

a.) 200 W. Grand View Ave.; Review the health and condition of a Coast Live Oak *Quercus agrifolia* located in the parkway. Commission may authorize removal or substantial trimming and determine the replacement species and quantity if removal is authorized.

5. LARGE TREE PLANTING LOCATIONS

Commissioners will make a motion on the Olive Ave. Large Tree Planting Location plan brought by the subcommittee.

6. STREET TREE PALETTE REVIEW

The Commission will review the current list of street trees and the frequency with which they are found in the City, and will discuss the process of adding new trees to the Street Palette.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

The Commissioners shall report on any Subcommittee-related activity that has taken place since the December 21, 2011, meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

The Commission may request staff to agendize items for future meetings.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The TAC will adjourn to its next regular meeting, to be held on February 15, 2011, at 7:00 PM at the City Hall Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

PUBLIC HEARING

The appellant and/or applicant will each be provided a total of ten (10) minutes to address their item. A portion of their allotted time may be reserved for rebuttal or a summary conclusion at the close of public comment. All other speakers will be limited to a total of three (3) continuous minutes, which cannot be delegated. These rules will be enforced but may be changed by appropriate Tree Advisory Commission action.

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The Tree Advisory Commission will consider such matters, including action to approve, conditionally approve, reject, or continue such item. Further information on each item may be procured from the Office of the Director of Public Works.

LIVE BROADCASTS

Regular Tree Advisory Commission meetings are not broadcasted on Cable Channel 3.
As a courtesy to others, we ask that cellular phones be turned off during the meeting.

MEETING ASSISTANCE

The City Hall Council Chamber is physically accessible and assistive listening devices are available at the meeting. If you require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call the Director of Public Works' office at (626) 355-7135 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.