



CITY OF CAMPBELL
Community Development Department

March 28, 2018

NOTICE OF TREE REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

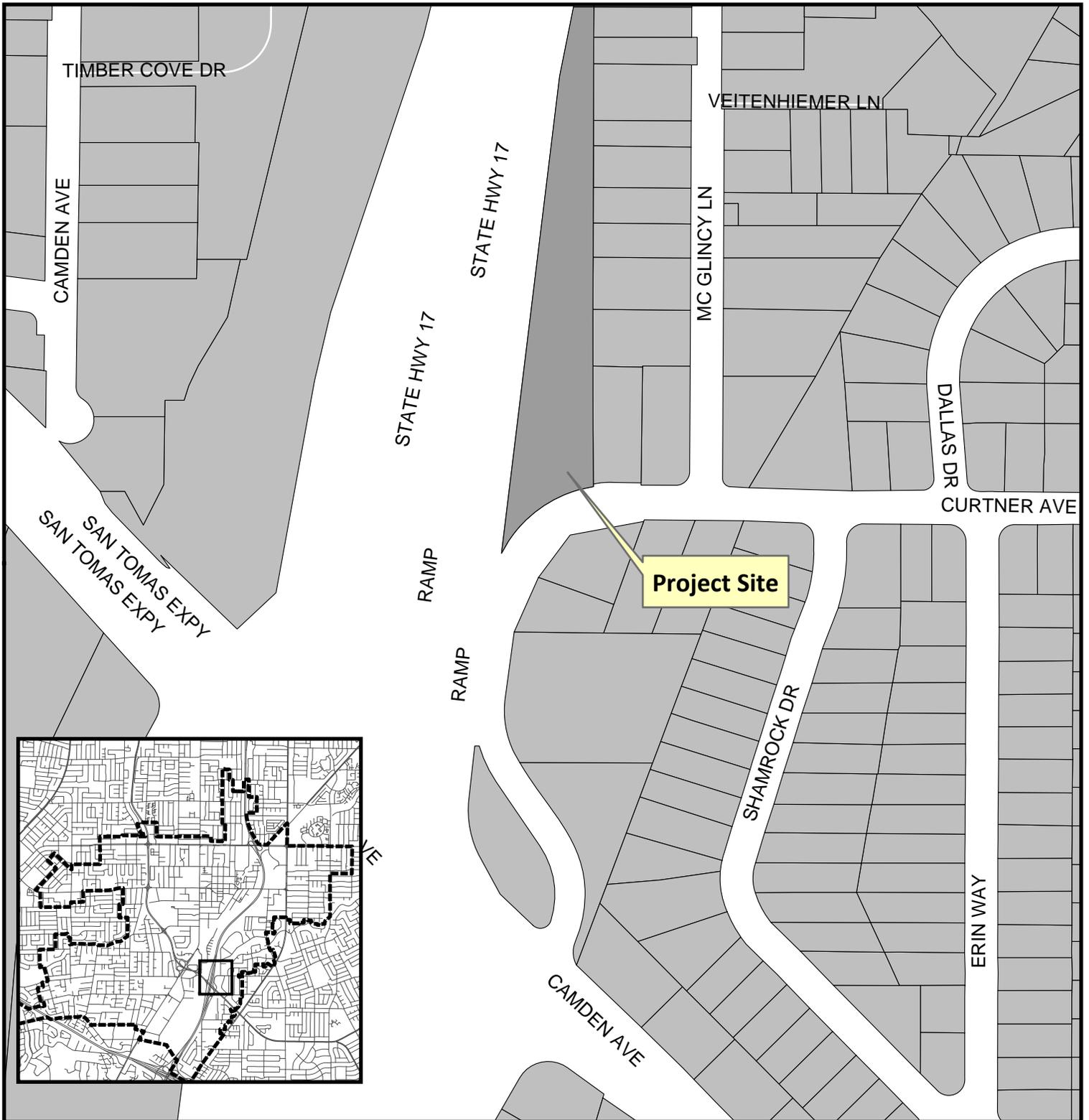
Notice is hereby given that the Community Development Department of the City of Campbell has received an application for a Tree Removal Permit (PLN2018-89) for the removal of three (3) Redwood trees located in front of 175 Curtner Ave due to structure damage, utility interference, and poor health. If approved, removal of the trees is subject to the replanting requirement of the Campbell Municipal Code. Two existing dead trees at this location have already been approved for removal.

This is your opportunity to provide comments. The 10-day comment period for this application will begin on March 28, 2018, and end on April 9, 2018. Comments regarding this application must be submitted in writing (including email) to the Planning Division before 5:00 p.m. on **April 9, 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'.

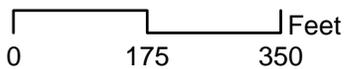
Decisions by the Community Development Director are final in 10 calendar days following the date of approval, unless an appeal is received in writing (including email) at the Community Development Department, 70 N. First Street, Campbell, prior to the end of the appeal period. A written appeal must be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

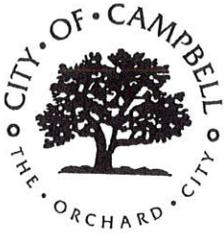
Project Location Map



Project Location: 175 Curtner Ave
Application Type: Tree Removal Permit
Planning File No.: PLN2018-89
Description: Removal of Three (3) Redwood Trees



Community Development Department
Planning Division



File No. P1W248-89
Date Filed 3/19/18

City of Campbell, 70 N. First Street, Campbell, CA 95008, (408) 866-2140

TREE REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

Filed Independent of a Development Application

Property Address 175 S. Curtner Avenue Community Name (if applicable) _____

Name of Property Owner Public Storage Phone 408-796-1588 Email _____

Property Owner's Mailing Address 701 Western Ave Glendale, CA 91201

Name of Applicant Sara McMahon-Commercial Tree Care 408-472-2053 Email Sara@commercialtree.com

Applicant's Mailing Address 470 Box 549 Santa Clara CA 95052

Species of Tree(s) (see last page for a list of "protected trees")	Size of Tree(s) (diameter measured 4- ft. above grade)	Reason for Removal (Must meet criteria of Section 21.32.080 of the Tree Protection Ordinance – see last page)*
REDWOOD	18-22in	VERY CLOSE TO BUILDING AND COMPROMISING THE BUILDING SLAB in poor health / previously topped by PG&E
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*If the tree(s) is dead or dying, please complete the 'Authorization to Remove a Dead or Dying Tree' form instead of this application.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Color photographs of trees proposed for removal (depicting reason for requested removal);
- Site Plan (see attached details);
- Tree Replanting Plan (see attached details); and
- Application Filing Fee \$173 + \$57 each additional tree (single-family properties exempted from fee).

ARBORIST REPORTS

PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT AN ARBORIST REPORT WITH YOUR APPLICATION

An arborist report is **NOT** required, except when the condition or viability of the tree(s) or its impact to property is not readily evident. In such a circumstance, the City may require outside preparation of an arborist report at the applicant's expense. The planner assigned to your application will inform you if an arborist report is necessary.

Property Owner's Signature: _____ Date: 2/13/18

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: 2-13-18

Homeowners Assoc. President's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Homeowners Assoc. President's Name: _____

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Arborist Letter

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Public Storage, 175 S. Curtner Ave Campbell CA 95008

Commercial Tree Care thanks you for the opportunity to provide tree observations at the above site. Below are our findings.

Assignment:

Assess and report on the health, stability, and structural integrity of three Redwood Trees, *Sequoia sempervirens*. Address concerns about the subject trees. The subject three trees have the potential for structural damages and have current utility interference. These trees have a close proximity to the main concrete structures and as well as high voltage power lines. This report was generated and performed as a ground visual inspection only and there were no soil or tissue samples taken.

Observations:

There are three Redwood trees that line the perimeter of the property along 175 S. Curtner Ave. These subject trees are approximately 25-30 feet tall and 16-20 inches wide. The three Redwood trees have a high potential to cause significant damage to the existing main structure due to their species growth characteristics and close proximity to the building. This cannot be alleviated through root pruning and or branch pruning techniques. Root pruning would need to occur within the drip line, which would most likely result in a reduced health and stability of the trees. There is also utility interference currently present with these trees. They have been topped by PG & E to clear the high voltage power lines. Topping will make a tree more hazardous in the long term. The severity of this type of pruning triggers a sort of survival mechanism. The tree activates latent buds, forcing the rapid growth of multiple shoots below each cut. This survival mechanism that causes a tree to produce multiple shoots below each topping cut greatly compromises the structure of the tree. These shoots develop from buds near the surface of the old branches. Unlike normal branches that develop in a socket of overlapping wood tissues, these new shoots are anchored only in the outermost layers of the parent branches. Unfortunately, the shoots are prone to breaking, especially during windy conditions. The irony is that while the goal was to reduce the tree's height to make it safer, it has been made more hazardous than before. Due to their location and the fast growing nature of these trees, PG & E will continue to top these trees.

Arborists are tree specialists who use their education, knowledge, training and expertise to examine trees, recommend measures to enhance the beauty and health of trees, and attempt to reduce risk of living near trees. Clients may choose to accept or disregard the recommendations of the arborist, or to seek additional advice. Arborists cannot detect every condition that could possibly lead to the structural failure of a tree. Trees are living organisms that fail in ways we do not fully understand. Conditions are often hidden within trees and below the ground. Arborists cannot guarantee that a tree will be healthy or safe under all circumstances, or for a specific period of time. Likewise, remedial treatments, like medicine, cannot be guaranteed. Trees can be managed, but they cannot be controlled. To live near trees is to accept some degree of risk. The only way to eliminate all risk associated with trees is to eliminate all trees.



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In addition to the above stated, upon my site visit, these trees are showing signs of decline. The leaves are tightened to conserve their energy and the foliage is very thin and yellow. They appear to be in a state of stress. At this point, treatments would most likely be a waste of resources and as it is unlikely that the trees will revive back to a flourishing state.

Recommendations:

Due to the potential for structural damage and current utility interference removal and replacement is recommended. A replacement plan with five 24 in box size trees with a species that appropriately matches the existing theme of the landscape is recommended. A smaller size tree at this site would be a more suitable and safer choice.

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Please feel free to contact me with any further questions or concerns.

Thank You,

Sara McMahon

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Previously topped by RGE
in poor health



← previously topped by PG & E

- in poor health
- close building proximity



Replacement Plan

