

HPC RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMONA APPROVING A MAJOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (MAJCOA 11732-2019) TO RETROACTIVELY LEGALIZE THE REMOVAL OF ONE (1) PECAN TREE AND ONE (1) RED IRONBARK EUCALYPTUS TREE ON A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 440 EAST ALVARADO STREET WITHIN THE LINCOLN PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT.

THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMONA DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the subject trees are located within the Lincoln Park Historic District, which was designated as a historic district by the Pomona City Council on May 4, 1998;

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Historic Sites Tree Protection and Preservation Program on May 1, 2000;

WHEREAS, the removal of character-defining landscaping requires the approval of a Major Certificate of Appropriateness by the Historic Preservation Commission;

WHEREAS, the applicant, Jeff Estrada, has submitted a Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 11732-2019) to retroactively legalize the removal of one (1) Pecan tree and one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree located at 440 E. Alvarado Street, Assessor's Parcel Number (8337-004-008);

WHEREAS, the subject trees had a trunk greater than 10-inches in diameter at breast height and, therefore, meet the definition of *character-defining landscaping*, pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 2000-72—Pomona Historic Sites Tree Protection and Preservation Program;

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Pomona, after giving notice thereof as required by law, held a public hearing on June 5, 2019, concerning the requested Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 11732-2019); and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission has carefully considered all pertinent testimony and the staff report offered in the case presented at the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. The Historic Preservation Commission exercising independent judgement has determined, pursuant to the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the proposed tree removal is Categorically Exempt per Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land.

SECTION 2. Section .5809-13.F.6 of the Zoning Ordinance requires the Historic Preservation Commission to make findings for approval of a Major Certificate of Appropriateness. The Historic Preservation Commission hereby makes the following findings:

1. *The proposed change will not adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural, or aesthetic features of the concerned property or the historic district in which it is located.*

The removal of one (1) Pecan tree located adjacent to the westerly property line and removal of one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree located adjacent to the easterly property line will not adversely affect the historical, cultural, architectural, or aesthetic features of the Lincoln Park Historic District. The trees are not considered specimen (heritage) trees, as defined in City Council Resolution No. 2000-72.

2. *The proposed change is compatible in architectural style with existing adjacent contributing structures in an historic district.*

The proposal involves the removal of one (1) Pecan tree and one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree and does not adversely change the architectural style of existing contributing structures within the Lincoln Heights Historic District.

3. *The proposed change is consistent with the architectural style of the building as specified in the Design Review Subsection 5 of the Ordinance.*

The removal of the one (1) Pecan tree and removal of one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree will not alter or detract from the existing buildings on the site or the surrounding neighborhood. The remaining landscaping on the property will not be degraded by the loss of the tree. It should be noted that the Historic Resources Inventory Survey for the property concluded that the structure on the subject property is non-contributing to the Lincoln Park Historic District.

4. *The scale, massing, proportions, materials, textures, fenestration, decorative features, and details proposed are consistent with the period and/or compatible with adjacent structures.*

Removal of the trees will not impact the architectural features of historical structures on the subject property or within the surrounding neighborhood.

SECTION 3. The Historic Preservation Commission hereby approves Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 11732-2019) to permit the removal of one (1) Pecan tree and one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree on a property located at 440 E. Alvarado Street, subject to the following conditions:

1. Any remaining portions of the existing tree shall be removed, including stump grinding to industry standards, within sixty (60) days from date of approval (June 5, 2019).
2. All surface roots of the tree shall be properly removed without adversely impacting the existing structures or property.
3. The applicant/property owner shall plant two (2) replacement trees (minimum 15-gallon) which shall include one (1) Pecan tree and one (1) Red Ironbark Eucalyptus tree on the subject property within 60 days of this approval.
4. The replacement trees shall be planted according to industry best practices.
5. If the replacement trees die within one (1) year of replanting on-site, they shall be replaced with 15-gallon trees planted on site by the recommendation of the City Arborist and Development Services Manager or designee. If the replacement trees die within one year of planting, they shall be replaced until the trees establish themselves and live for a minimum of one year.
6. For the remaining trees on site that were illegally trimmed, a certified arborist shall be hired by the applicant to mitigate any previous trimming damage to the extent possible. Any residual trimming shall be done according to guidelines outlined in City Council Resolution No. 2000-72, Exhibits A & B.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall certify to the approval of this Resolution and forward the original to the City Clerk.

APPROVED AND PASSED THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2019.

DEBRA MARTIN
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

ANITA D. GUTIERREZ, AICP
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
SECRETARY

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF POMONA)

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

“Pursuant to Resolution No. 76-258 of the City of Pomona the time in which judicial review of this action must be sought is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6.”