

City of Santa Rosa



Legislation Details

File #: 24-0430 **Version:** 1 **Name:** Bunya Bunya Appeal
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Title: PUBLIC HEARING - BUNYA BUNYA TREE REMOVAL APPEAL (THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED FROM THE FEBRUARY 27, 2024, REGULAR MEETING)

BACKGROUND: The Salvation Army (appellant) submitted an application to remove a Bunya Bunya tree in September 2022, which was denied by the Director of Planning and Economic Development and appealed to the Planning Commission. On September 14, 2023, the Planning Commission voted 5-2 to uphold the Director's decision. On September 25, 2023, an Appeal Form was received pursuant to City Code Chapter 17-24, the appellant submitted the subject Appeal application, appealing the Planning Commission's decision.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Planning Commission and the Planning and Economic Development Department that the Council, by resolution, deny the Appeal and uphold the Planning Commission's denial of a Tree Permit to remove an approximately 125-foot tall Araucaria Bidwillii (Bunya Bunya tree) located at 1080 2nd Street.

Sponsors: Planning and Economic Development
Indexes: Exempt Project
Code sections: 15061(b)(3) - General Rule Exemption

Attachments: 1. Staff Report, 2. Attachment 1 - Disclosure Form, 3. Attachment 2 - Appeal Application, 4. Attachment 3 - 2023 Denial Letter & Tree Application, 5. Attachment 4 - Arborist Report, prepared by Sandborn Tree Service, Inc., date stamped received August 31, 2022, and correspondence, 6. Attachment 5 - Arborist Report, prepared by Vintage Tree Care, dated February 5, 2023, with photos, 7. Attachment 6 - Tree Ordinance (City Code Chapter 17-24), 8. Attachment 7 - 2019 Denial Letter and related correspondence, 9. Attachment 8 - 2008 Denial Letter, 10. Attachment 9 - 1999 Council and Planning Commission minutes, resolutions and staff report, 11. Attachment 10 - Policy Statement, 12. Attachment 11 - Location & Neighborhood Context Map, 13. Attachment 12 - Public Correspondence, 14. Attachment 13 - Request for more information, 15. Attachment 14 - Risk Assessment, dated August 24, 2023, 16. Attachment 15 - Bunya Pine Risk Response September 1, 2023, 17. Attachment 16 - Arborist Response (Frey, September 8, 2023), 18. Attachment 17 - Planning Commission Minutes, 19. Attachment 18 - Planning Commission Resolution No PC-2023-021, 20. Attachment 19 - Public Correspondence, 21. Resolution, 22. Public Hearing Notice, 23. Staff Presentation, 24. Appellant Presentation, 25. Late Correspondence (Uploaded 06-05-2024)

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