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**SAUSALITO TREES & VIEWS COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, July 5, 2012**  
**Draft Summary Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Vice Chair Bickford called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 420 Litho Street, Sausalito.

Present: Vice Chair Mary Lee Bickford, Committee Member Wingham Liddell,  
Committee Member Ronald Reich

Absent: Committee Member Betsy Elliott

Staff: Assistant Planner, Alison Thornberry-Assef

**Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair**

**Committee Member Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to nominate Mary Lee Bickford to Chair the Trees & Views Committee. The motion passed 3-0.**

**Committee Member Liddell moved and Chair Bickford seconded a motion to nominate Ronald Reich to Vice-Chair the Trees & Views Committee. The motion passed 3-0.**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Committee Member Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed 3-0.**

**Approval of Minutes**

April 5, 2012

**Committee Member Liddell moved and Vice Chair Reich seconded a motion to approve the summary minutes of April 5, 2012. The motion passed 3-0.**

**Public Comments of Items Not on Agenda**

None.

**Public Hearings**

- 1. TRP 12-141, Tree Removal Permit, Griffin, 47 Girard Avenue.** Tree Removal Permit to allow the removal of one dying and hazardous Magnolia tree located on the rear of the property at 47 Girard Avenue (APN 065-103-31).

The public hearing was opened.

Assistant Planner Thornberry-Assef presented the Staff Report.

The public testimony period was opened.

1 Presentation was made by Mary Griffin, the Tree Owner.

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3 Committee question to Ms. Griffin:

- 4 • Why would you like us to remove the Condition requiring a replacement tree be  
5 planted?

6 *Ms. Griffin responded that the majority of the tree will be removed, but a small*  
7 *off-shoot would remain and she would like to work with the spur so that it grows*  
8 *into a full size, healthy tree.*  
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10 The public testimony period was opened.

11 The public made no comments.

12 The public testimony period was closed.

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16 Committee question to staff:

- 17 • What is staff's recommendation for a replacement tree? *Staff responded their*  
18 *standard condition is the tree shall be replaced with a 24-inch box of a*  
19 *desirable tree species to be determined by the property owner.*  
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22 Removal of Condition of Approval:

- 23 • The small spur is to remain, and the Condition for a replacement tree is  
24 removed.  
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26 **Vice Chair Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to**  
27 **approve a Tree Removal Permit for 47 Girard Avenue subject to the removal of**  
28 **the Conditions of Approval. The motion passed 3-0.**  
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- 30 **2. TRP 12-151, Tree Removal Permit, Casa Madrona, 801 Bridgeway.** Tree  
31 Removal Permit to allow the removal of one Cottonwood tree located in the  
32 courtyard area of the Casa Madrona Hotel and Spa at 801 Bridgeway (APN 065-  
33 063-46).  
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35 The public hearing was opened.

36 Assistant Planner Thornberry-Assef presented the Staff Report.

37 The public testimony period was opened.

38 Presentation was made by Ashley Morgan, the Tree Owner representative.

- 39 • As an additional comment, Ms. Morgan stated that Casa Madrona is going  
40 through construction, and they would like to wait to plant the replacement tree  
41 when construction is completed.  
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45 Committee question to Ms. Morgan:

- 46 • When would construction finish and the replacement tree be planted?  
47 *Ms. Morgan responded that she anticipated being fully complete in one year.*  
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50 The public testimony period was opened.

1 The public made no comments.

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3 The public testimony period was closed.

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5 Committee comments:

- 6 • The Committee agreed that the replacement tree should be planted after  
7 construction is finished.
- 8 • Committee Member Liddell suggested that the replacement tree be either a  
9 Japanese Maple or Wild Lilac.

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11 Modification of Condition of Approval:

- 12 • The replacement tree shall either be a Japanese Maple or Wild Lilac, and the  
13 timing for the replacement tree is to be changed from 60 days to one year.

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15 **Committee Member Liddell moved and Vice Chair Reich seconded a motion to**  
16 **approve a Tree Removal Permit for 801 Bridgeway subject to the modification of**  
17 **the Conditions of Approval. The motion passed 3-0.**

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19 **Old Business**

20 **None**

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22 **New Business**

23 **None**

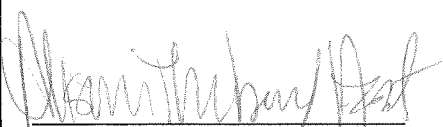
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25 **Staff Communications**

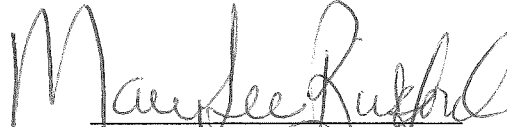
- 26 • The Department of Public Works Tree Maintenance Activities-May/June 2012:  
27 The report is available for the Committee's review.
- 28 • The Committee would like to be in the Fourth of July Parade next year.
- 29 • The Committee would like to create brochures to educate the community on  
30 trees and Trees and Views Committee policies: Asked to add item to next  
31 agenda.  
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34 **Vice Chair Reich moved and Committee Member Liddell seconded a motion to**  
35 **adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 3-0.**

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37 **Adjournment**

38 The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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43 Submitted by  
44 Alison Thornberry-Assef  
45 Assistant Planner  
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50 Approved by  
Mary Lee Bickford  
Chair