



TOWN OF LOS GATOS

PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS
SERVICE CENTER
41 MILES AVENUE
LOS GATOS, CA 95030
(408) 399-5771

TREE REMOVAL AND/OR PRUNING PERMIT

Application Number: T20-074 Approved: [check] Denied: _____ Permit Number: T20-074 Expires: 9-29-20

Permit for (check all that apply): [X] Protected Tree Removal [] Protected Tree Pruning (more than 25% in a 3 year period)
[] Heritage or Large Protected Tree Removal [] Heritage or Large Protected Tree Pruning

Property Owner Name: Cynthia Jaen Phone: 408-202-8292
Property Location/Address: 205 Lester Lane, Los Gatos, CA 95032 E-Mail: cynthiamjaen@gmail.com
Mailing Address (if different from above)
Applicant Name (if different from above) Phone:

Table with 7 columns: Tree #, Approved, Required Finding(s), Denied, Reason for Denial, Replacement Requirement, In Lieu Fee. Row 1: 1, Yes, 4,5, [], [], 3-15 gallon trees, [].

[] All or some of the required replacement trees cannot be reasonably replanted on site and payment of the in-lieu fee as indicated above has been approved. Permit will not be issued until all in-lieu fees are paid in full.

General Permit Conditions

- 1. Notify the Town of Los Gatos Parks and Public Works Department at 408-399-5770 48 hours before work begins.
2. All underground utilities shall be located and protected from damage due to removal, stump grinding, or root pruning activities.
3. Inspect trees prior to removal or major pruning to confirm the absence of active bird nests, particularly during the spring/summer nesting season (February 1 through August 31).
4. The use of gas-powered leaf blowers is prohibited in the Town of Los Gatos. Use of electric powered leaf blowers is permitted.
5. Approved pedestrian and vehicular traffic control shall be used and maintained at all times.
6. All contractors performing tree work in the Town of Los Gatos are required to have a Town Business License.
7. The permit must be posted on site at all times while tree removal or pruning is taking place.
8. Permit holder is required to submit photographs of replacement trees along with replanting date to the Town of Los Gatos Parks and Public Works Department prior to permit expiration date.

Special Permit Conditions

Blank lines for special permit conditions.

Rob Moulden, Town Arborist Date: 6-29-20

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Required Findings for Tree Removal and/or Pruning Permit (*Los Gatos Town Code Section 29.10.0992*)

- (1) The tree is dead, severely diseased, decayed or disfigured to such an extent that the tree is unable to recover or return to a healthy and structurally sound condition.
- (2) The tree has a tree risk rating of Extreme or High on the ISA Tree Risk Rating Matrix as set forth in the ISA Tree Risk Assessment Best Management Practices, or successor publication. (Town Arborist Discretion)
- (3) The tree is crowding other protected trees to the extent that removal or severe pruning is necessary to ensure the long-term viability of adjacent and more significant trees.
- (4) The retention of the tree restricts the economic enjoyment of the property or creates an unusual hardship for the property owner by severely limiting the use of the property in a manner not typically experienced by owners of similarly situated properties, and the applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Director or deciding body that there are no reasonable alternatives to preserve the tree.
- (5) The tree has, or will imminently, interfere with utility services where such interference cannot be controlled or remedied through reasonable modification, relocation or repair of the utility service or the pruning of the root or branch structure of the tree; or where removal or pruning is required by a public utility to comply with California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) or Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) rules or regulations.
- (6) The tree has caused or may imminently cause significant damage to an existing structure that cannot be controlled or remedied through reasonable modification of the root or branch structure of the tree.
- (7) Except for properties within the hillsides, the retention of the protected tree would result in reduction of the otherwise-permissible building envelope by more than twenty-five (25) percent.
- (8) The removal of the tree is unavoidable due to restricted access to the property.
- (9) The removal of the tree is necessary to repair a geologic hazard.
- (10) The removal of the tree and replacement with a more appropriate tree species will enhance the Town's urban forest.

Inspection Notes

Additional Information Requested
