ALAMEDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AGENCY TREE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, August 16, 2006 3:00 p.m. Public Works Building, 951 Turner Court, Hayward Conference Room 230

MINUTES

Attendees: D. Nelson, D. Sheppard, K. Ready, D. Gallagher, D. McDonough, I. Brainerd, S. Jones, S. Jackson, M. Pollard, C. Pollard, R. Cosgrave, L. Deseguirant, H. Beckman, E. Campesi

I. Public Comment – Trees on Jay Way and Montgomery Avenue are mildewed

II. Announcements - None

III. Approval of Minutes – May 17, 2006 minutes approved by all board members

IV. Appeals

15833 Via Eduardo, San Lorenzo

Tree fell into County Right of Way. Public Works cleaned up and removed the tree. Resident signed a permit stating she would plant another plum tree. Since then, resident changed her mind. Inta suggested she appeal to the Board. Resident states she doesn't want a tree; they're too much maintenance. According to ordinance section 12.11.170 under #10, the County requires a tree be replaced with a like tree anytime a tree is removed, unless an exception is made by the Director. Motioned that property owner be required to replace with a plum tree.

1802 Bandoni Ave., San Lorenzo

Ginko died in front yard. He applied for a permit to replace tree with a Chinese Pistache. He's been granted a couple of extensions but would like 2 more weeks to replace the tree. Motioned that property owner will replace tree with a Chinese Pistache within 30 days.

1469 152nd Ave., San Leandro

Pollard's requested to remove tree in 2003. Under the ordinance, the tree didn't qualify for removal. Inta suggested they appeal. The tree is underneath high voltage lines and planted in a very small planting strip. Property owners have contracted with a landscaping company who will replace curb and sidewalk. Inta suggested they speak with Jim Tarantino for Measure B funding. They're also having their entire landscaping redone. Resident would like to remove the Sycamore tree and replace it with a smaller tree. The tree is also in the middle of the parking space in front of the house. Motioned that Jim Tarantino inspect for consideration to bulb out curb or meander sidewalk into right of way and work with Inta to determine if tree should be retained or removed. Decision to be reported back at next meeting.

V. Follow up Items

Violations Status Update – Violation status report distributed. Only one outstanding fine of \$100. Everyone else has paid their fines. Inta still following up on tree replacements.

Ivy Update – Both property owners removed the ivy 5 feet up the trunk and 5 feet around the base.

C.V. Blvd redevelopment plan – Steve Jones: No update on replacement of Pistache trees.

VI. Tree Advisory Board

Retreat – Scheduled for Friday, November 3 @ 9am. The retreat is open to the public.

VII. Tree Ordinance Revisions

Inta distributed a handout outlining potential revisions. Discussion ensued around changing language of the ordinance. Chair advised this issue needs to be discussed when we have more time to go over each item. It was motioned, seconded and approved to table agenda item to a later date.

VIII. Other - None

IX. Wrap up and Adjourn - 4:50pm