

### Landmark Tree Evaluation Form

Scientific name: \_\_\_\_\_ Common name: COAST LIVE OAK

Street address: 22:26 ROSEMONT PLACE

Cross streets: 16TH BTWN MAP & SUBDIVISION

Block: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot(s): \_\_\_\_\_

GPS units (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Private  Public Agency name Non BY F. HABERT. DPW

Property owner consent to evaluate  Yes  No

DBH (in): \_\_\_\_\_  
Height (ft): \_\_\_\_\_  
Average canopy spread (ft): \_\_\_\_\_  
Trunk diameter at ground level (in) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of trees \_\_\_\_\_

Tree Condition (adapted from CTLA *Guide to Plant Appraisal*)  
 No apparent problems  Minor problems  Major problems  Extreme problems

- Root issues
- Root anchorage
  - Collar/flare soundness
  - Mechanical injury
  - Girdling/kinked roots
  - Compaction/waterlogged roots
  - Mushrooms (may have to ask owner)

- Trunk issues
- Sound bark and wood
  - Cavities
  - Mechanical or fire injury
  - Cracks
  - Swollen or sunken areas
  - Conks

- Scaffold branches
- Strong attachments
  - Smaller diameter than trunk where attached
  - Vertical branch distribution
  - Free of included bark
  - Free of decay and cavities
  - Well pruned
  - Well-proportioned/proper taper
  - Wound closure
  - Deadwood or fire injury

Small branches and twigs  
 Vigor of current shoots (compare previous growth)



- Well distributed throughout canopy
- Appearance of buds (color, shape, size for species)
- Small Branches and Twigs (continued)
  - Presence of weak or dead twigs
- Foliage and/or Buds
  - Coloration of foliage
  - Nutrient status
  - Herbicide, chemical or pollution injury
  - Wilted or dead leaves
  - Dry buds
- Presence of insects or disease (any part of tree)

Comments on health or structure: TREES APPEAR TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION. BACKYARD LOCATION. NOT VISIBLE FROM STREET BUT VISIBLE FROM LONG DISTANCE (TWIN PEAKS).

Species  
 Rare

Size or Age  
 Greater than typical mature size or age NO.

Cultural/Historical Value  
 Significant historical or cultural association  
 Significant ethnic appreciation  
 Neighborhood appreciation of tree  
 Part of planting that defines neighborhood character  
 Profiled in a publication or other media NO.

Key Location  
 High traffic area  
 Low tree density area  
 Extends between several properties  
 Visually accessible from public right-of-way

Ecology  
 Important wildlife habitat  
 Part of interdependent group of trees  
 Erosion control  
 Wind or sound barrier

Visual characteristic  
 Prominent landscape feature  
 Character defining form

Additional comments

ONE OF A PROMINENT GROUP OF TREES. OWNER & NEIGHBORS ACCORD TO LANDMINE STATUS.

Possible considerations for tree care



## Urban Forestry Council Criteria for Landmark Tree Evaluation

Pursuant to Ordinance 0017-06 and Public Works Code Section 810, the Urban Forestry Council has developed these criteria for evaluating potential landmark trees in San Francisco.

When evaluating or considering potential landmark trees, please consider the context of the tree within its site location. For example, a tree on PUC land may not have the same community importance that a street or park tree would.

**Rare:** Unusual species in San Francisco. Also consider rarity in California, North America, world.

**Size:** Notable size compared to other trees of the same species.

**Age:** Significantly advanced age (known or estimated).

**Historical association:** Related to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

**Ethnic appreciation:** Particular value to certain ethnic groups in neighborhood or city.

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition, outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to tree, etc.

**Planting defines neighborhood character:** Contributes to neighborhood aesthetic.

**Profiled in a publication or other media:** Tree has received print, internet, video media coverage.

**High traffic area:** High visibility, possible traffic calming effect.

**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

**Extends between multiple properties:** High visibility, multiple neighbors share tree.

**Accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility.

**Important wildlife habitat:** Wildlife shelter and/or food (observed or potential).

**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree forms a supercanopy and removing it may have an adverse impact on adjacent trees.

**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

**Character defining form:** Tree is an example of good form for its particular species.

**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, and whether or not tree poses a hazard.

