

Urban Forestry Council Landmark Tree Evaluation Form and Criteria

Pursuant to Ordinance 0017-06 and Public Works Code Section 810, the UFC 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. Use comment sections, as appropriate, to explain or support evaluation. Attach sheets if more space is needed.

Evaluator's name: LARRY COSTELLO
Date of evaluation: 5/9/11
Scientific name: PRUNUS SPP.
Common name: WILD CHERRY
Street address: 864 FRANCISCO ST.
Cross streets: HYDE

Rarity Yes Partially No ?

Rarity: Rare Uncommon Common Other

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

Comment: _____

Physical Attributes Yes Partially No

Size: Large Medium Small

Notable size compared to other trees of the same species in San Francisco.

Comment: _____

Age: Yes No ?

Significantly advanced age for the species.

Comment: _____

Distinguished form: Yes No

Tree is an example of good form for its species, has a majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

Describe: _____

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Tree condition: Good Poor Hazard
Consider overall tree health and structure, and whether or not tree poses a hazard
Describe: _____

Historical Yes Partially No ?

Historical Association: Yes None apparent
Related to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.
Describe nature of appreciation: _____

Profiled in a publication or other media: Yes Unknown
Tree has received coverage in print, internet, video media, etc. Attach documentation if appropriate.
Describe coverage: _____

Environmental Yes Partially No

Prominent landscape feature: Yes No
A striking and outstanding natural feature.
Describe, attach photo if possible: _____

Low tree density: Low Moderate High
Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.
Describe: _____

Interdependent group of trees: Yes No
This tree in an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on adjacent trees.
Describe: _____

Visible or Accessible from public right-of-way: Yes No
High visibility and/or accessibility from public property.
Describe: _____

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High traffic area: Yes No

Tree is located in an area that has a high volume of vehicle, pedestrian or bike traffic and has a potential traffic calming effect.

Describe: _____

Important wildlife habitat: Yes No

Species has a known relationship with a particular local wildlife species or it provides food, shelter, or nesting to specific known wildlife individuals.

Erosion control: Yes No

Tree prevents soil erosion.

Describe: _____

Wind or sound barrier: Yes No

Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Describe: _____

Cultural Yes Partially No

Neighborhood appreciation: Yes None apparent

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

Describe: _____

Cultural appreciation: Yes None apparent

Particular value to certain cultural or ethnic groups in the city.

Describe nature of appreciation: _____

Planting contributes to neighborhood character: Yes No

Tree contributes significantly to, or represents, neighborhood aesthetic.

Describe contribution: _____

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Additional comments

Not suitable for landmark status
- poor specimen
- not outstanding form, size, structure, etc.