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A Tree Review of The Proposed New Residence at 140 Arroyo Grande Way Los Gatos, California

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Introduction

At your request, I inspected the plans for the proposed demolition of an existing single-family residence and construction of a new single-family residence at 140 Arroyo Grande Way.

Trees on Site/ Recommendation

There are no trees on the site proper that are in conflict with project. However, there are two (2) Chinese pistache street trees in the parking strip in front of the residence. These trees need to be protected either by putting chain link fencing around each tree (3' on each side), or by fencing the entire parking strip using chain link fencing. This fencing should be in place before project begins and shall be in place for the duration of project.

Sec.29.10.1005. – <u>Protection of trees during construction</u>

- (a) Protective tree fencing shall specify the following:
 - (1) Size and materials: A five (5) or six (6) foot high chain link fencing, mounted on two-inch diameter galvanized iron posts, shall be driven into the ground to a depth of at least two (2) feet at no more than 10-foot spacing. For paving area that will not be demolished and when stipulated in a tree preservation plan, posts may be supported by a concrete base.
 - (2) Area type to be fenced. Type I: Enclosure with chain link fencing of either the entire drip line area or at the tree protection zone (TPZ), when specified by a certified or consulting arborist. Type II: Enclosure for street trees located in a planter strip: chain link fence around the entire planter strip to the outer branches. Type III: Protection for a tree located in a small planter cut-out only (such as downtown): orange plastic fencing shall be wrapped around the trunk from the ground to the first branch with 2-inch wooden boards bound securely on the outside. Caution shall be used to avoid damaging any bark or branches.
 - (3) Duration of Type I, II, III fencing. Fencing shall be erected before demolition; grading or construction begins and remain in place until final landscaping is required. Contractor shall first obtain the approval of the project arborist on record prior to removing a tree protection fence.
 - (4) Warning sign. Each tree fence shall have prominently displayed an 8.5 x 11-inch sign stating: "Warning—Tree Protection Zone-this fence shall

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not be removed and is subject to penalty according to Town Code 29.10.1025".

- (b) All persons shall comply with the following precautions:
 - (1) Prior to the commencement of construction, install the fence at the drip line, or tree protection zone (TPZ) when specified in an approved arborist report, around any tree and/or vegetation to be retained which could be affected by the construction and prohibit any storage of construction materials or other materials or vehicles inside the fence. The drip line shall not be altered in any way so as to increase the encroachment of the construction.
 - (2) Prohibit excavation, grading, drainage and levelling within the drip line of the tree unless approved by the director.
 - (3) Prohibit disposal or depositing of oil, gasoline, chemicals or other harmful materials within the drip line of or in drainage channels, swales or areas that may lead to the drip line of a protected tree
 - (4) Prohibit the attachment of wires, signs or ropes to any protected tree.
 - (5) Design utility services and irrigation lines to be located outside of the drip line when feasible.
 - (6) Retain the services of the certified or consulting arborist for periodic monitoring of the project site and the health of those trees to be preserved. The certified or consulting arborist shall be present whenever activities occur which poses a potential threat to the health of the trees to be preserved.
 - (7) The director and project arborist shall be notified of any damage that occurs to a protected tree during construction so that proper treatment may be administered.

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