Varsity Park Homeowners Association Moorpark City Permit Request Removal 117 Trees Fire Defense Space Project

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Moorpark City Parks & Recreation Director: Jeremy Laurentowski Parks and Facilities Supervisor: Leland Baxter

VCFD Fire Protection Officer: Larry Williams

Agenda: VPHOA Requests Permit – Remove 117 Trees from Site In Compliance With Fire Defense Code

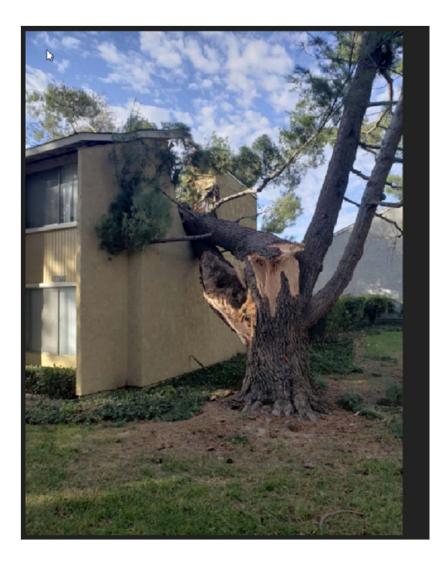
- 1980 Original Landscape Plan Dense Pack Large Trees Planted Close To Structures & Each Other
- 2019-Present (Prior 18 Months) Santa Ana Winds On Wrong Trees In Wrong Place Damage 7 Homes and Vehicles
- 2012 VPHOA Rezoned To High Fire Hazard
- 2012 VCFD Develops Guidelines for Proactive Fire Defense
 Space Program to Correct Wrong Trees Planted In Wrong Place
- 3/2/2021 5/27/2021 Completed detailed tree survey and developed plan to remove 117 in alignment with VCFD Defense Space Program – Reduce Wind as well as Fire Life/Property Safety Risk
- 6/19/2021 Submit Request for Permit to Remove 117 trees and Job Walk Site With VCFD fire prevention officer Larry Williams, Moorpark City Parks & Recreation Director Jeremy Laurentowski and Parks and Facilities Supervisor Leland Baxter

1980 Original Landscape Plan

Very Large Wrong Trees Tight Packed In Wrong Place Next to Structures & Each Other



Wind Caused Tree Fall & 7 Homes Damaged Last 18 Months VPHOA Insurance Rate Skyrocketing



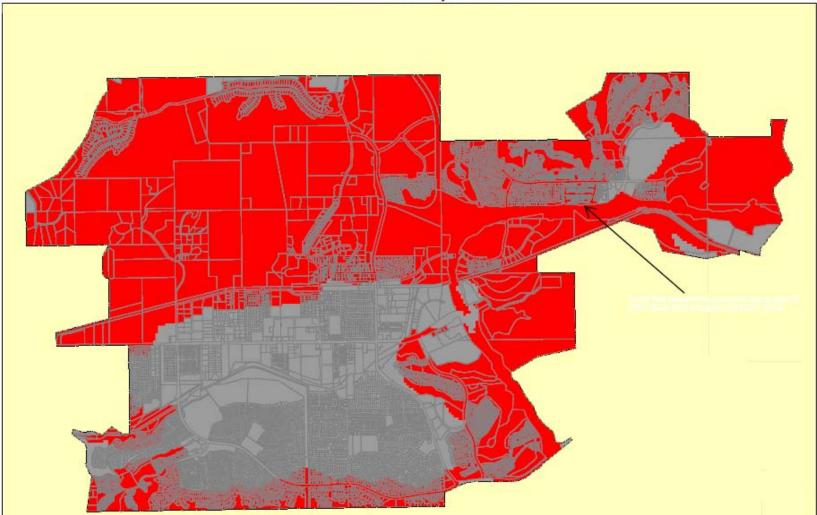


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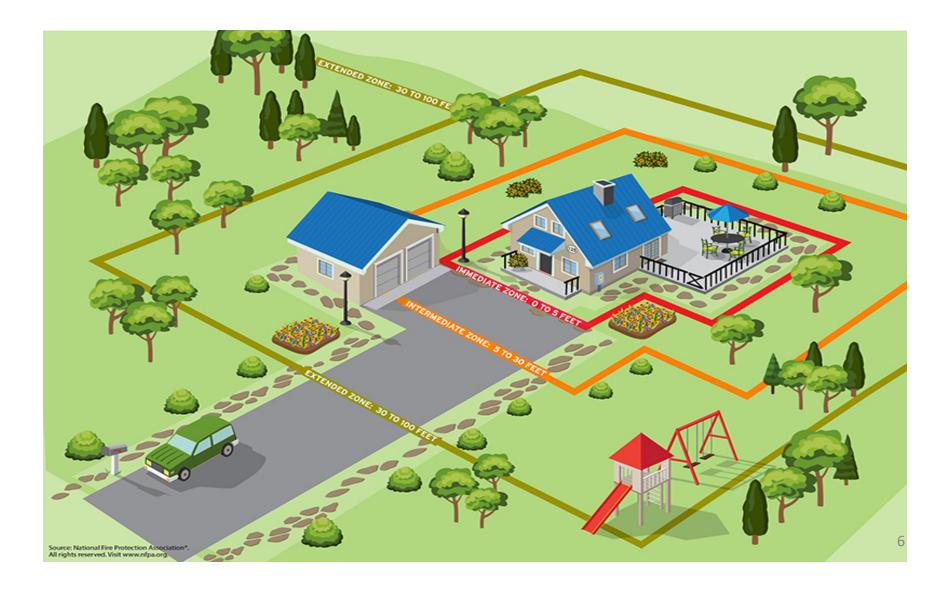


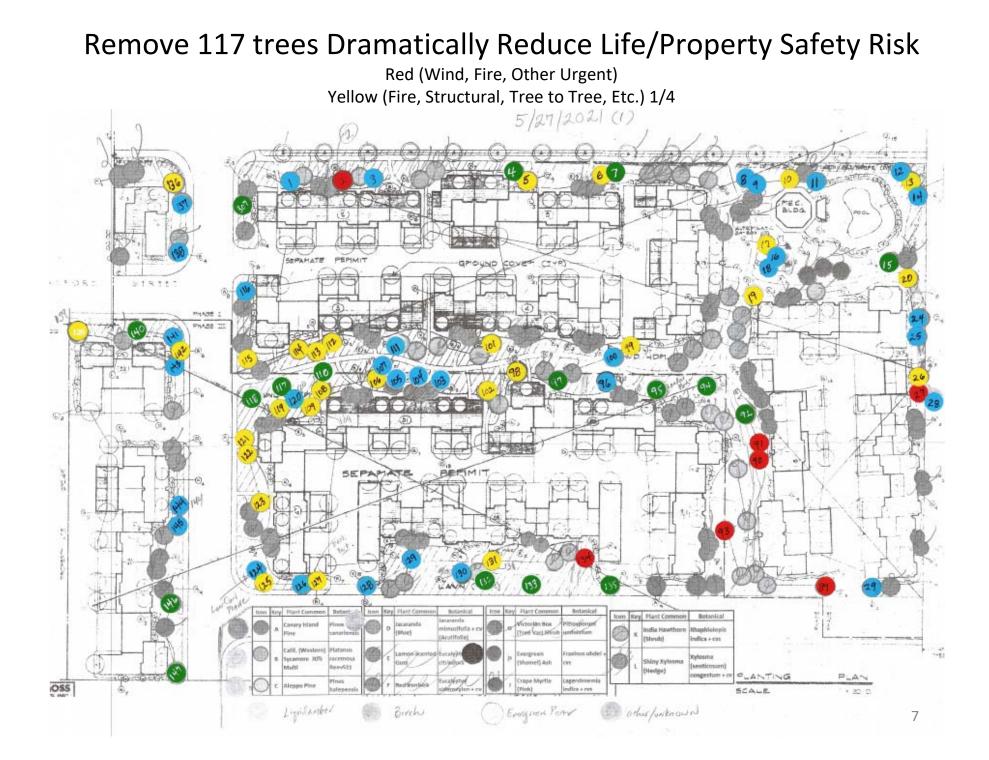
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VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES IN LRA As Recommended by CALFIRE

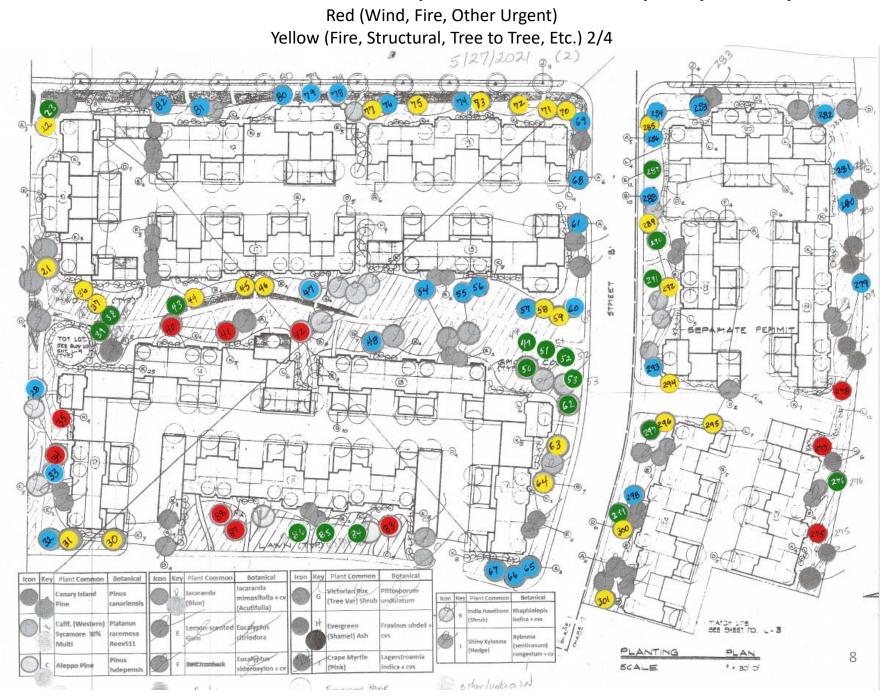


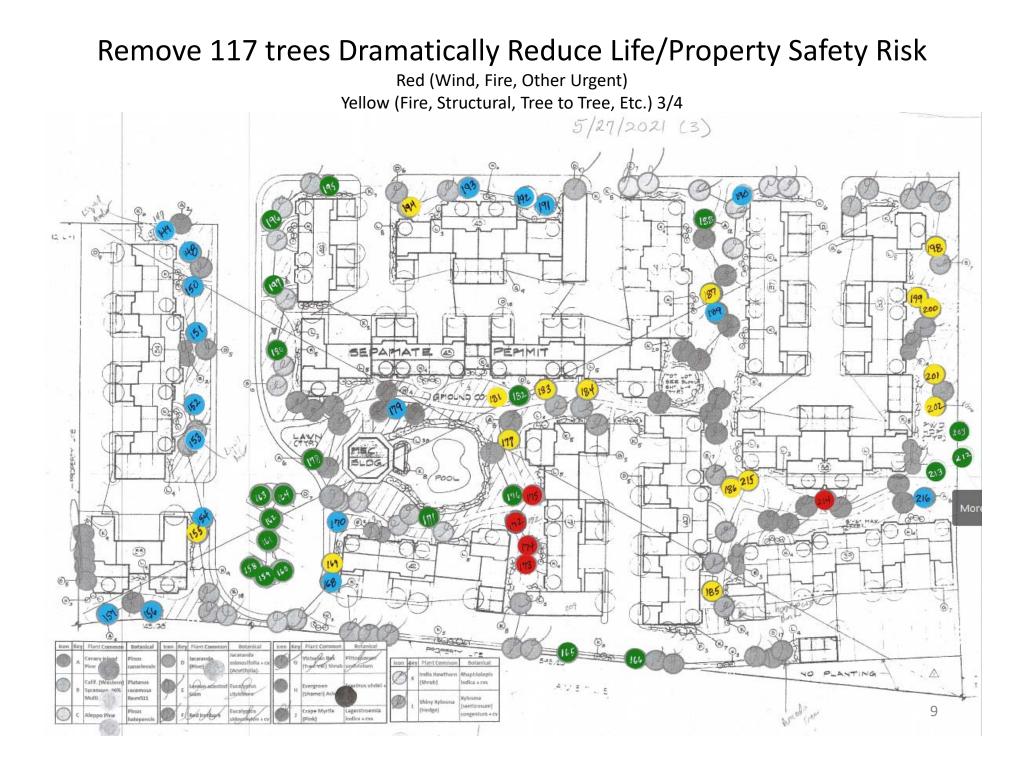
Tree Removal Brings VPHOA 1980 Landscape Closer To Fire Code Remove 117 Trees/Fuel < 30' From Homes Reduces Life/Property Risk Both Wind and Fire

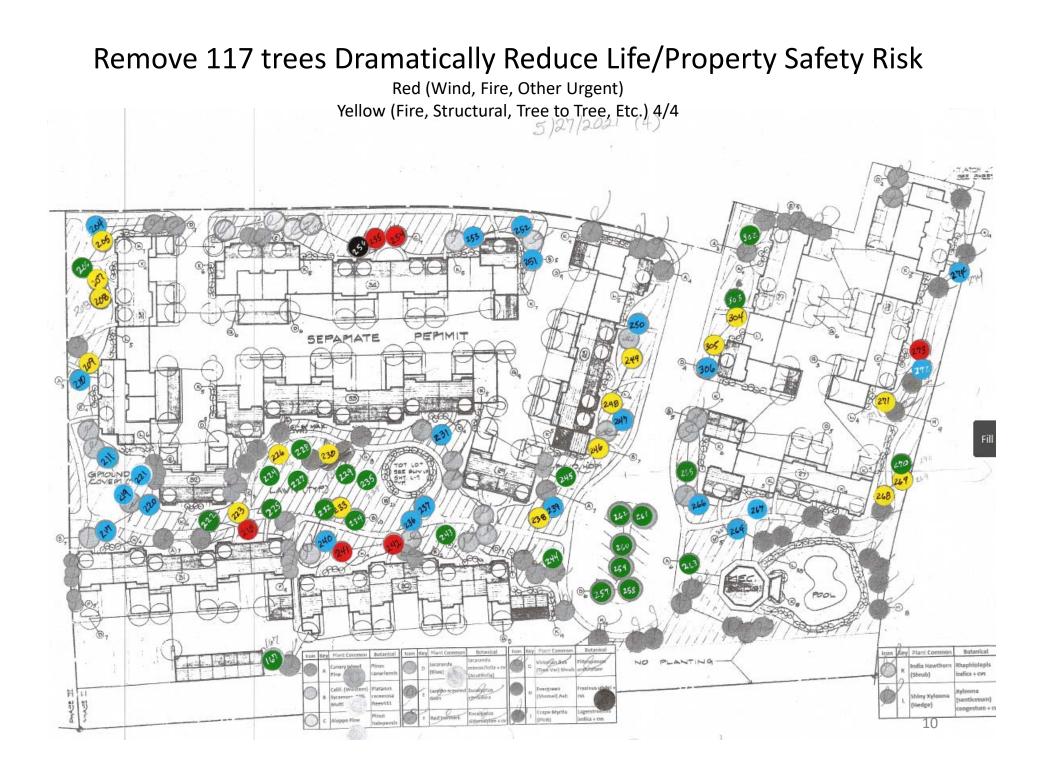




Remove 117 trees Dramatically Reduce Life/Property Safety Risk







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1	15008		Cmps Prk Dr	2					_	6	-	24	Х	Х	Х	х	1		
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1			Cmps Prk Dr	36	27		3	60	-		18			Х				1	
1			Cmps Prk Dr	37	28				-		12		_	х	•	Х		1	
2	15035		Varsity St	98	95	A	4	70	_			12			i	Х		1	
2	15007	В	Varsity St	106	101	_	2	70	_		6	12				Х		1	
2	15007	A	Varsity St	108	102	A	2	70	40	6		12	_	i	•	х		1	
2	15007	A	Varsity St	109	103	_	2	70	50	6		12	-	-	-	х		1	
2	6508	D	Penn St	119	105		-	60	40	6		12	-	Х	<u> </u>	Х		1	
3	14994	A	Stanford	139	115	A	3	70	30	6			_		х			1	
4	6412		Penn St	172	162	A	3	70	60	12		12		Х	<u>.</u>	Х	1		
5	15102	С	Varsity St	208	193	A	4	70	50	6		12				Х		1	
5	15122	В	Varsity St	226	205	A	4	60	50	12	6	12	х	х	х	Х		1	
5	15122	С	Varsity St	230	206	A	4	60	50	18		12				Х		1	
6	6440	D	Marquette St	268	230	A	3	60	50	6	6	12	х	х	Х	Х		1	
6	6440	D	Marquette St	269	231	A	2	70	50	18		12				х		1	
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6	6462	В	Marquette St	273	236	A	3	70	50	12	6	18	х	х	х	х	1		
6	6542	В	Marquette St	275	264	A	3	70	50	6	6		х	х	х	х	1		
6	6542	D	Marquette St	277	266	A	4	70	50	6	18					х	1		
6	6564	A	Marquette St	278	267	A	4	60	50	6	6		х	х	х	Х	1		
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5	15136	D	Varsity St	255	254	AP	4	60	40	12	6	18	х	х	х	х	1		
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1	15078	Pool	Cmps Prk Dr	10	8	CIP	3	70	40	6	6	24	Х	х				1	
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1	15166	F	Cmps Prk Dr	70	57	CIP	2	80	30	12	6	18		х		х		1	
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6	15194		Cmps Prk Dr	285	_	_				18		6			_	х			
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1	15091	F	Varsity St	26	25	J	2	60	30	6			Х	Х				1	
1	15109	A	Varsity St	30	77	J	2	50	40	12				Х				1	
1	15109	A	Varsity St	31	78	J	2	50	30	6						х		1	
2	15050		Cmps Prk Dr	99	87	J	1	60	50	6		12			-	х		1	
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5	15076		Varsity St	199	190	J	2	60	50	6		12				х		1	
5	15076	В	Varsity St	200	189	J	2	60	50	12		12	Х	_		Х		1	
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5	15076		Varsity St	202	187	J	1	50	30		18				Х			1	
5	15102	E	Varsity St	205	197	J	1	40	30	6		12				Х		1	
5	15102		Varsity St	207	195	J	1	50	40	12		12			<u> </u>	х		1	
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6	6488		Marquette St	305	245	J	2	60	50	6	6	18	Х	Х	Х	Х		1	
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1	15092	A	Cmps Prk Dr	19	13	LA	2	60	20	6		18				х		1	
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1	15036	E	Cmps Prk Dr	6	4	S	2	40	50	6	6	18	Х	Х	Х	х		1	
1	15114	D	Cmps Prk Dr	22	22	S	2	60	50	6		12	х	х	Х	х		1	
1	15123	D	Varsity St	42	41	S	3	60	40	6	6			х			1		
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1	15166	В	Cmps Prk Dr	75		S	3	70	70	12					Х			1	
1	15166	A	Cmps Prk Dr	77		S	2	70	60	6	6	12		х	Х	х		1	
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2	15007	E	Varsity St	102	94	S	2	70	40		-		х	х	Х			1	
2	6508	A	Penn St	125	125	S	2	50	40	6		12	Х	х	Х			1	
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2	15021	G	Varsity St	134	132	S	3	70	45	12					х		1		
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3	14994	В	Stanford	142		S	1	40	20	6		12	_			х		1	
3	6409	A	Penn St	155	149	S	3	70	50	12	6	12	х	х	х	х		1	
4	6412	A	Penn St	169	158	S	3	60	50	6	6	12	х	х	х	х		1	
4	15034	В	Varsity St	185	173	S	4	70	50	6	6		х	х	х			1	
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5	6453	В	Marquette St	248	241	S	2	50	40	6	6	12	Х	х	Х	х		1	
5	6453	С	Marquette St	249	242	S	3	60	30	6	6		Х	х	Х			1	
6	6590	D	Marquette St	289	278	S	2	50	30		6	18		х		х			
6	6590	В	Marquette St	292	279	S	2	60	40	6	12	18	Х	х	Х			1	
6	6590	А	Marquette St	294	263	S	3	70	50	6		18	Х	х	Х			1	
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1	15091	E	Varsity St	27		UK	1	40	30	6	6		х	Х			1		

Remove Trees Total 29 88

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Part 1: Justification for Proposed Tree Removal: Moorpark City Requirements Summary

Moorpark City Code 12.12.070 and 12.12.080 Requires Show Cause For Tree Removal - VPHOA Summary Of Factors

Danger of Collapse

Distance To Structure

Distance Tree to Tree

Wrong Tree In Wrong Place

12.12.080 Tree removal permits—Standards for grant or denial.

A. The condition of the tree with respect to disease, danger of collapse of all or any portion of the tree, proximity to an existing structure, or interference with utility services or, in the case of a native oak tree, interference with an addition to an existing single-family detached home;

12.12.080 Tree removal permits—Standards for grant or denial.

F. The suitability of the tree species for use in that location. (Ord. 101 § 1, 1988)

12.12.070 Tree removal permits—Requirements.

D. Project Approval Required. No tree removal permit shall be issued for the removal of any tree on any lot associated with a proposal for urban development unless the project has been approved by the city or unless the director of community development, or designee, determines that the immediate removal of the tree is required because of the condition of the tree with respect to disease, danger of collapse of all or any portion of the tree, proximity to an existing structure, or interference with utility services.

Details of VCFD Defense Area Code Compliance Requirements/Moorpark City Tree Removal Justification Requirements	Life/Propert Major Proble • High Dens •Wrong Tre •in Wrong P	y Safety Ris ems Include ity Planting es - too larg Place - Close Danger	k To Be Cured F c of c ~ 60'h x ~45'c to Structures ~ Danger	er Code & Historical Record Per VCFD Fire Defense Area C dia. & not fire nor wind resis < 12' & Each Other - canopie	Code tant es merge Danger Fire &
	Wrong Tree Wrong Place	Collapse Wind	Fire Hazard	Danger Structure Damage Sewer & Water lines, sidewalks, foundations	Tree Health Tree Canopy Crowding
VCFD STANDARD 515 DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND FUEL MODIFICATION ZONES					
VCFD Defensible Space/FMZ zones defined:					
Zone A: This is a limited-planting area within 30 feet of structures and slopes, not greater than 20 percent; 50 feet when slopes are greater than 20 percent.					
Zone B: This is the area from outer edge of Zone A to 100 feet from structures.					
Zone C: This is considered a thinning zone and is any FMZ greater than 100 feet from structures.					
Chapter 3 Requirements By Fuel Modification Zone (FMZ)					
3.1 Zone A - < 30' from Structures					
3.1.1 0-5 Feet from structure. No Trees. This is a recommended no- planting zone.	x	х	x	x	
3.1.2 5-30/50 feet from structure. trees of a very fire resistive-type and additional spacing. Trees should be spaced to allow minimum 10 feet of clearance next to a structure. Also see Fire Department FMZ Spacing Table 3.	x	x	x	x	x
3.1.3 Limitations. Plants and trees identified as "Target" (undesirable plants) by the Fire Department shall not be planted within Zone A. See Fire Department Plant Reference Guide.	x	х	x		
3.2 Zone B. Follow Table 3 Fire Department FMZ Spacing.					

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	Trees Requested To Be Removed Are Per Code & Historical Record - High Life/Property Safety Risk To Be Cured Per VCFD Fire Defense Area Code											
	Life/Propert	y Safety Ris	k To Be Cured P	er VCFD Fire Defense Area C	Code							
	Major Problems Include:											
Details of VCFD Defense Area Code Compliance												
Requirements/Moorpark City Tree Removal Justification	●in Wrong P	Place - Close	to Structures ~	< 12' & Each Other - canopie	s merge							
Requirements		Danger	Danger		Danger Fire &							
	Wrong Tree	-	Fire Hazard	Danger Structure Damage	Tree Health							
	Wrong Place	Wind	Fire	Sewer & Water lines, sidewalks, foundations	Tree Canopy Crowding							
Table 3 - Fire Department fuel modification zone (FMZ) Spacing												
Type of Vegetation : Single Tree												
% of Slope: <20%	x		x		x							
Min Spacing [*] : 10 feet			~		X							
* Spacing Notes: a. Spacing is measured canopy to canopy at												
maturity.												
3.4 Additional Requirements.												
3.4.1 Highly Flammable Trees. Highly flammable trees are not												
allowed, unless approved by the Fire Prevention Bureau.	Х		x									
3.4.2 Tree Spacing. The horizontal distance between crowns of trees												
and crowns of adjacent trees, overhead electrical facilities, or	Х		х		х							
unmodified fuel shall not be less than 15 feet.												
3.4.3 Roof Clearance. The vertical clearance distance above any roof	x	x	x									
shall not be less than 3 feet.	^	^	^									
3.4.4 Chimney Clearance. The horizontal and vertical clearance to												
any chimney or heat-producing device shall not be less than 10 feet.												
3.4.5 Limbing of Trees. Trees exceeding 6 feet in height shall be												
limbed up from the ground 5 feet or 1/3 the height of the tree,												
whichever is less.												
3.4.6 Maintenance. All plants and trees, including dried palm fronds,												
shall be maintained free of deadwood, leaves, and limbs that can	х	х	х									
increase ability to ignite and/or carry fire.												

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Requirements	Wrong Tree	Danger Collapse	Danger Fire Hazard	Danger Structure Damage	Danger Fire & Tree Health
	Wrong Place	Wind	Fire	Sewer & Water lines, sidewalks, foundations	Tree Canopy Crowding
3.4.7 Tree Litter. Tree litter shall not exceed 2 inches in depth underneath tree canopies.	x		x		
3.4.8 Tree Canopy Clearance. Where tree canopies touch or extend past the 100-foot defensible space zone, there shall be a clear area from the edge of the tree canopy to the brush of not less than 15 feet, which may require clearance outside the 100-foot zone. 3.4.9 Roofs and Gutters. Roofs and gutters on buildings shall be					
maintained free of any leaves, needles, or other vegetative materials.	Х	Х	x		Х
3.4.11 Irrigation. Irrigation is not required for any defensible space or FMZ.					
3.5 Modifications. Modifications to this standard may be allowed on a case-by-case basis after review and approval of a planting and maintenance plan. Requests shall be submitted to the Fire Prevention Bureau FHRP Unit.	x	x	x	X	x
Chapter 4 Existing Installations					
4.1 Compliance. When required by the Fire Department, existing defensible space/FMZs installed prior to the date of this standard shall require retrofitting, including thinning and or removal of plants, trees, and vegetation, to meet this standard.	x	x	x	Х	x

Details of VCFD Defense Area Code Compliance Requirements/Moorpark City Tree Removal Justification	Life/Propert Major Probl • High Dens •Wrong Tre	ty Safety Ris ems Include ity Planting es - too larg	k To Be Cured F e: of ge ~ 60'h x ~45'o	er Code & Historical Record Per VCFD Fire Defense Area C dia. & not fire nor wind resist < 12' & Each Other - canopie	code	
Requirements	Wrong Tree	Danger Collapse	Danger Fire Hazard	Danger Structure Damage	Danger Fire & Tree Health	
	Wrong Place	Wind	Fire	Sewer & Water lines, sidewalks, foundations	Tree Canopy Crowding	
4.1.1 Timing. Upon notification by the Fire Department, work to bring an existing defensible space and FMZ into compliance with this standard may be done over a four-year period. First year, an initial 30 feet from structure(s), then an additional 25 feet for each subsequent year	x	x	x	x	x	
VCFD GUIDELINE 410 PROHIBITED PLANT LIST						
list of plants and trees that are NOT allowed within a new required defensible space (DS) or fuel modification zone (FMZ). It is highly recommended that these plants and trees be thinned and or removed from existing DS and FMZs						
Remove Canary Island & Aleppo Pine VCFD Fire Hazard Reduction Unit - Plant Reference Guide April 2019	X	X	X	X	X	
TARGET (Undesirable Plants) SPECIES ARE DESIGNATED WITH AN *. They are NOT ALLOWED within 30' of structures. Some may not be allowed within 50 -100' of structures - designated with (50 /100) after name. It is highly recommended that these plants be removed from any existing defensible space zone.						
Remove Large Ash* Varieties	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	