

**City of San Diego
Community Forest Advisory Board**

MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2010
Civic Center Plaza Building

1) **Convene:** Vicki Estrada, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

2) **Present:**

Members – Patrick Caughey, Fausto Palafox, Gail Roberts, Dan Simpson, Jon Becker, Karen Davis, Stephen Lamprides, Craig Jones, Joe Jones, Tershia d’Elgin.

[Not Present] – Victoria Heithaus, Mary Johnson

Guests – Guy Pruess (Skyline/Paradise Hills CPG), Bruce Warren.

City Staff – Drew Potocki, Michael Marika, Tony Gangitano, Alissa Gabriel,

3) **Approval of February Minutes:** Approved with spelling correction. [d’Elgin/C.Jones]

4) **Chair’s Announcements:** Mayor was unable to attend this meeting as scheduled. Several members expressed frustration as they declined other business opportunities to guarantee attendance at this meeting solely to speak with the mayor.

5) **Discussion Item(s):**

- a. Status of Forestry Program. Tabled to next month. Motion to write letter to Mayor and Council regarding City’s commitment to the Urban Forestry program. Approved.
[d’Elgin/Caughey]
- b. Grant application due March 31.
- c. Tree damage revenue recovery account. Recent fine of \$18,000 lost to general fund due to lack of set-aside account for tree replacement. Drew suggested fund should be structured more like the Figg fund. Others offered a variety of funding structure options.
- d. Promotion of Urban Forestry at Arbor Day festivals. Park & Recreation Dept celebrating Arbor Day April 18th. C.Jones suggesting doing similar promotion at Balboa Park’s Earth Day celebration.
- e. General Plan Monitoring Report. Suggested that all aspects of urban forestry should be reported as “no action”.

6) **Action Item(s):** --none--

7) **Reports:** Items *not* already on agenda

- a. Staff Reports
 - Drew Potocki, Street Division Urban Forester. Report attached.
 - Michael Marika, Park & Recreation Dept. Arborist. Large Morley Field planting scheduled.
 - Tony Gangitano, Development Services Dept. Senior Planner. Provided list of regulation related to urban forestry in the city. Also reported that the Environmental Division is working to address green house gas emissions.

8) **Referrals to Committees:** --none--

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9) **Public Comment:** --none--

10) **Adjourned** at 1:15pm

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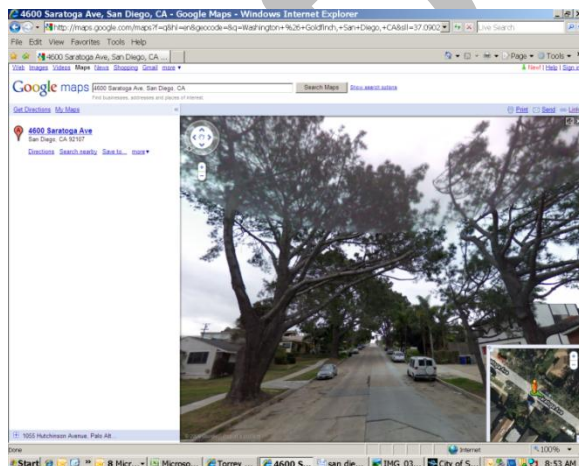
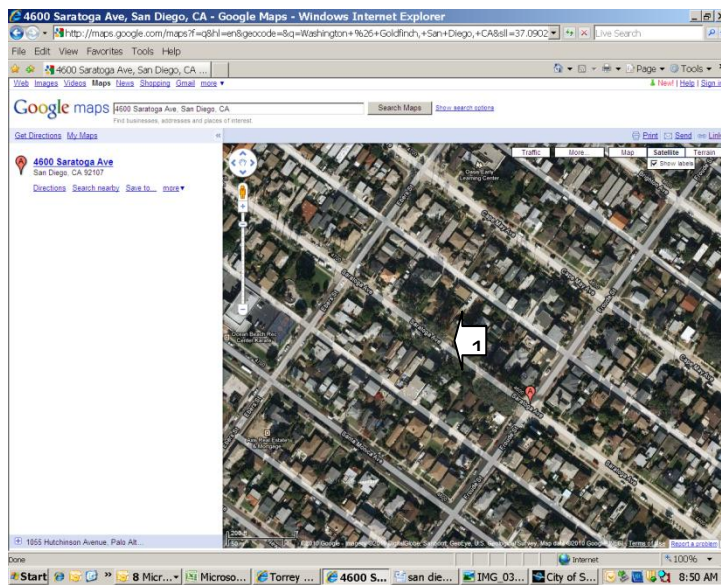
1. Torrey Pine Tree (*Pinus torreyana*)

~ 4600 Saratoga Avenue, street trees

The Torrey pine is the rarest pine in the [United States](#).^[2] The wild population is restricted to about 3000 trees growing in a narrow strip along the [California](#) coast in [San Diego](#).^[3] There is also a population of a variety (*Pinus torreyana* var. *insularis*) in a single grove on [Santa Rosa Island](#), off the coast of [Santa Barbara](#).^[4] This variety, if considered alone, was one of the rarest pines in the world, at about 100 trees, in the early 20th century. However, the population has grown to about 2000 trees today.

The trees on this block were planted in the early 1930's and are among the oldest San Diego street trees of this type. Trees were declared historic in 2005 and are recognized as San Diego's official native City Tree. (see original story of the tree planting www.saratoga)

<http://maps.google.com/maps?ct=reset>



Sample San Diego

Individual Tree Statistics

From West to east:

1-Height 122', DBH 66"

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5- Height 122', DBH 66"

6- Height 122', DBH 66"

7- Height 122', DBH 66"

8- Height 122', DBH 66"

9- Height 122', DBH 66"

****Does not include smaller trees**
