

1 [Public Works Landmark Trees]

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3 **Resolution approving designation of four (4) tree locations for Landmark Status**
4 **because of their historical significance, aesthetic qualities, or contribution to the City's**
5 **overall character.**

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7 WHEREAS, Article 16, Section 810 of the Public Works Code provides that the Board
8 of Supervisors may designate as a landmark tree any tree in the public Right-of-Way that
9 meets the Department's Landmark Tree Criteria; and

10 WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has recommended the following trees to be
11 declared Landmark Trees:

- 12 1. One (1) *Laurus nobilis* (Sweet Bay) located at 555 Battery Street. This tree is
13 considered to be a very large and well-pruned example of the *Laurus nobilis*
14 species.
- 15 2. Thirteen (13) *Phoenix canariensis* (Canary Island Date Palms) located
16 throughout the median of Quesada, west of Third Street to the dead end. These
17 13 *Phoenix canariensis* trees are well established, vary in size and age, and
18 play an important ecological and environmental service to the community.
- 19 3. Two (2) *Phoenix rupicola* (Cliff Date Palms) located in the Dolores Street
20 median. One tree is located in the median between Liberty and 29th Streets,
21 across from 730 Dolores Street. The second tree is between 28th Street and
22 Valley Street, across from 1546 Dolores Street. The *Phoenix sylvestris* is a rare
23 species in San Francisco. These trees were part of the historic palm plantings
24 along Dolores Street, and are mixed in with the *Phoenix canariensis*. They are
25 beautiful, healthy examples of this rare (in San Francisco) species.

1 4. The Grove of Brahea edulis (Guadalupe Palms) in the Dolores Street median.
2 The grove is found in the median between 29th Street and Day Street, and
3 across from 1608-1650 Dolores Street. These Brahea edulis trees were also
4 part of the historic palm plantings on Dolores Street and are also a rare species
5 in San Francisco. Although small, these palm are quite old, and are in good
6 health.

7 WHEREAS, the aforementioned trees meet the Department's Landmark Tree Criteria
8 because of their historical significance, aesthetic qualities, and/or contributions to the City's
9 overall character; and

10 WHEREAS, the Department believes the inclusion of the aforementioned trees will
11 raise the overall appreciation of the City's urban forest; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors hereby designates the aforementioned
13 trees as Landmark Trees with all the status and protection such a designation provides and to
14 execute any and all provisions necessary therefore.

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16 APPROVED:

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20 Edwin M. Lee
21 Director of Public Works
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