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December 14, 2021

Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board  
Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

**RE: San Francisco Urban Forestry Council vote to inform the Board of Supervisors that the Cork Oak (*Quercus suber*), located on 20<sup>th</sup> Street at Noe Street meets the criteria for landmark tree status.**

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

On October 4, 2021, the Urban Forestry Council received a Landmark Tree nomination from Carla Short, Interim Director of Public Works, for a cork oak (*Quercus suber*), located in the public right-of-way on 20<sup>th</sup> Street at Noe Street.

At their meeting on December 10, 2021, the Urban Forestry Council found that the tree meets the criteria for landmark tree status. The Council found that the cork oak (*Quercus suber*), in the public right-of-way on 20<sup>th</sup> Street at Noe Street meets the criteria for landmark status and approved Resolution File No. 2021-08-UFC. (Ayes: Vice Chair Crawford, Members Keller, Vaisset-Fauvel, Lacan, Polony, Xochitl Flores, Spigelman, Mike Sullivan, Potter, Nagle, Stringer, and Trang; Noes: None; Absent: Chair Sullivan, Hernandez-Gomez)

This letter and the enclosed materials from the December 10, 2021, Urban Forestry Council Meeting serve as written findings and nomination recommendations from the Urban Forestry Council.

If you have any questions, or would like additional information, I can be reached at 415-355-3733 or by email at [peter.brastow@sfgov.org](mailto:peter.brastow@sfgov.org).

Sincerely,

Peter Brastow  
Urban Forestry Council Coordinator

Enclosure:  
Urban Forestry Council Hearing Explanatory Documents

1 [Resolution endorsing the cork oak (*Quercus suber*) tree at the 19<sup>th</sup> Street steps at Noe  
2 Street for landmark tree status]

3 **Resolution endorsing the cork oak (*Quercus suber*) tree at the 19<sup>th</sup> Street steps at**  
4 **Noe Street (in the public right-of-way) for Landmark Status, pursuant to Public**  
5 **Works Code Section 810(b).**

6 WHEREAS, Public Works Code, Article 16, Section 810 charges the Urban  
7 Forestry Council to evaluate nominated landmark trees using criteria approved by the  
8 Board of Supervisors; and,

9 WHEREAS, the cork (*Quercus suber*) tree at the 19<sup>th</sup> Street steps at Noe Street  
10 fulfills the Landmark Tree criteria developed by the Urban Forestry Council, including its  
11 physical attributes, environmental benefits, and cultural value; and,

12 WHEREAS, this tree provides social, environmental, and economic benefits to  
13 the property, neighborhood, and city; now, therefore be it,

14 RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Urban Forestry Council recommends this  
15 tree for landmark status to the Board of Supervisors and urges the Board of Supervisors  
16 to protect this tree as a landmark tree.

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18 I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted at the Urban Forestry Council's  
19 regular meeting on December 10, 2021.



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21 Peter Brastow, Urban Forestry Coordinator

Andrew Sullivan, Council Chair

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23 Vote: 12-0

- 1 Ayes: Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony,  
2 Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer,  
3 Member Spigelman, Member Potter, Member Trang, Member Keller  
4 Noes: None  
5 Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez, Chair Sullivan  
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# Urban Forestry Council Landmark Tree Committee Report

Submitted by Landmark Tree Committee Chair, Mike Sullivan on December 10, 2021

**Committee members present at the November 04, 2021, Landmark Tree Ad Hoc Committee meeting:** Damon Spigelman, Pam Nagle, Morgan Vaisset-Fauvel and Michael Sullivan

**Address of nominated tree:** 20<sup>th</sup> Street at Noe Street along the staircase in the public ROW.

**Common name:** Cork oak

**Scientific name:** *Quercus suber*

## Summary

**The Landmark Tree Committee recommends that the Urban Forestry Council approve this nomination and make the determination that this tree qualifies for landmark tree status.** The nomination was supported by a vote of 4-0. The Committee supported this nomination based on the tree's physical attributes, environmental benefits and cultural and neighborhood value. The report below summarizes the Committee's discussion and criteria used in its decision.

## Rarity

The tree is not particularly rare in San Francisco, but the size combined with the superior form and health is rare.

## Physical Attributes

The characteristics that committee members stressed were the large size of the cork oak (its spreading crown), that it could be the largest in the city, its age, its aesthetically and structurally sound form, and its overall vigor and health.

## Historical

The community reports that "the cork oak tree has been integral to the 20<sup>th</sup> Street/Hartford Street neighborhood and was witness to nearby community events for nearly 75 years."

## Environmental

The community has identified numerous birds including ruby throated hummingbird, white crown sparrow, chestnut-backed chickadee, dark-eyed junco, barn owl, American robin, as well as blue belly lizard (western fence lizard).

## Cultural

The local community submitted a petition with 50 signatures in support of recommending the tree for Landmark status. The tree anchors a well-established ornamental garden that is tended by the neighborhood.



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**MEETING MINUTES DRAFT**

**Friday, December 10, 2021, 8:30 a.m.  
Remote meeting via web conference**

**Refer to the “Remote Access to Information and Participation” section below for instructions.**

Council Members: Andrew Sullivan (Chair), Nicholas Crawford (Vice Chair, San Francisco Public Works), Jillian Keller, Morgan Vaisset-Fauvel, Igor Lacan, Ildiko Polony, Pamela Nagle, Edgar Xochitl Flores, Mike Sullivan, Damon Spigelman (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission), Oscar Hernandez-Gomez (San Francisco Planning Department), Tai Trang (Port of San Francisco), Spencer Potter (Recreation and Parks Department), and Lew Stringer (Presidio Trust)

**Order of Business**

Public comment will be taken before the Council takes action on any item.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Present: Vice Chair Crawford, Member Keller, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter, Member Trang  
Excused: Chair Sullivan  
Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez

**2. Chair’s Welcome and Land Acknowledgement.** (Discussion)

No Public Comment

**3. Review and vote on whether to approve Resolution File 2021-04-UFC, Resolution Making Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e).**

Speaker: Peter Brastow, Urban Forestry Council Coordinator (Explanatory Document: Resolution File 2021-04-UFC) (Discussion and Action) The Council will consider adoption of a resolution making findings that newly enacted Government Code Section 54953(e) requires in order to allow the Council to hold meetings remotely, as currently required under local law, without complying with infeasible Brown Act requirements.

Upon a motion from Member Lacan and seconded by Member Nagle, the resolution was approved.

There was no public comment.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter; Excused: Chair Sullivan, Member Trang; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

**4. Adoption of Minutes of the October 26, 2021, Urban Forestry Council Regular Meeting.**

(Explanatory Document: October 26, 2021, Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Possible Action)

Upon a motion from Vice Chair Crawford and seconded by Member Sullivan, the minutes were approved unanimously.

There was no public comment.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter; Excused: Chair Sullivan, Member Trang; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

**5. General Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Council on matters that are within the Council's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.

There was no public comment.

**6. Review and vote on approving the 2021 Annual Urban Forest Report.** Speaker: Peter Brastow, San Francisco Environment Urban Forestry Council Coordinator (Explanatory Document: Draft 2021 Annual Urban Forest Report) (Discussion and Possible Action)

Vice Chair Crawford explained that Public Works had not yet submitted their data, in part, due to losing responsible staff. He suggested continuing the item to the January meeting of the Council.

Member Trang joined the meeting late due to technical difficulties.

Upon a motion by Vice Chair Crawford and a second by Member Polony, the Council voted unanimously to continue the item to the January meeting.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter, Member Trang; Excused: Chair Sullivan; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

There was no public comment.

**7. Review and vote on approval of Resolution File 2021-05-UFC commending Matthew Stephen's service to the Urban Forestry Council.** (Explanatory Document: Draft Resolution 2021-05-UFC) (Discussion and Possible Action)

Vice Chair Crawford read the resolution and added his appreciation of Matthew Stephen's insights on technology and tools.

Matthew Stephens expressed his appreciation for his time on the Council, and expressed confidence in his successor, Spencer Potter, for his new role on the Council.

The resolution was approved unanimously.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter; Excused: Chair Sullivan, Member Trang; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

There was no public comment.

**8. Review and vote on approval of Resolution File 2021-06-UFC commending Blake Troxel's service to the Urban Forestry Council.** (Explanatory Document: Draft Resolution 2021-06-UFC) (Discussion and Possible Action)

Vice Chair Crawford read the resolution.

Member Nagle emphasized Blake's thoughtful and analytical contributions and expressed. Member Sullivan discussed how Blake always brought great new content to working group meetings.

Member Stringer discussed Blake's innovation and collaboration at the Presidio Trust.

Member Vaisset-Fauvel seconded the "force of nature" description.

Vice Chair Crawford said that Blake's fan club is probably growing to more parts of the country and wished him well.

The resolution was approved unanimously.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter, Member Trang; Excused: Chair Sullivan; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

There was no public comment.

**9. Discussion and vote on approval of Resolution File 2021-07-UFC in support of San Francisco's 2021 Climate Action Plan.** Speaker: Ildiko Polony, Urban Forestry Council Member (Explanatory Document: Draft Resolution 2021-07-UFC SF Climate Action Plan) (Discussion and Action)

Member Polony introduced the resolution by discussing the 2021 San Francisco Climate Action Plan, its purpose and process and the relationship between the resolution and society's response to climate change. She discussed the UFC's role in climate action, including how the UFC's strategic plan goals area reflected in the Healthy Ecosystems Chapter.

Member Polony proceeded to read the resolution.

Member Sullivan, who is also a member of the Commission on the Environment, discussed his support for the Climate Action Plan and the resolution supporting it.

Member Vaisset-Fauvel discussed his concern that planting trees is not going to save the climate. He said that it will help us suffer less.

Member Xochitl discussed his support for the resolution and pushing in the direction of policy change.

Member Stringer discussed his support for the resolution and the plan's language around biodiversity and the balance that it strikes between mitigation and local social and ecological health.

Member Potter discussed and expressed his gratitude for Peter Brastow's work in his role as the Biodiversity Coordinator for getting the Healthy Ecosystems Chapter in place. Member Potter also discussed wanting to acknowledge tensions in the implementation of the plan and mentioned the gas-powered equipment bans as an example as it relates to executing urban forestry.

Member Lacan discussed his concern that trees are in the Healthy Ecosystems Chapter.

Member Vaisset-Fauvel had to leave the meeting.

Public Comment: Marie Dunsmore from District 8 discussed the Climate Action Plan and her support and also her concern about the community paying the capital costs of sidewalk landscaping and also the reality on the ground of trees dying and being removed.

The resolution was approved unanimously.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Vaisset-Fauvel, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter, Member Trang; Excused: Chair Sullivan; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

**10. Hearing on nomination for Landmark Tree Status of the Cork Oak (*Quercus suber*), located on 20<sup>th</sup> Street at Noe Street, San Francisco, CA 94114.** The Council will hold a hearing to determine whether the tree nominated at the above location meets the criteria for designation as a landmark tree to forward findings to the Board of Supervisors. (Explanatory Documents: Resolution File No. 2021-08-UFC, Nomination Form, Sullivan Evaluation, Nagle Evaluation, Keller Evaluation, Spigelman Evaluation, Vaisset-Fauvel Evaluation, Landmark Tree Committee Report.) (Discussion and Action)

Peter Brastow introduced the item and Member Sullivan (Chair of the Landmark Tree Committee) reported on the unanimity on support for the tree at the Committee.

Vice Chair Crawford reminded the Council of the role of Landmark Trees and how trees in the public right-of-way are great candidates since they are visible to the public and not otherwise affecting anyone's private property rights.

Member Lacan moved to approve and seconded by Member Sullivan.

Public Comment: Dave Dea, the lead gardener at the tree's garden, discussed the beauty of the tree and that it is an anchor plant for the whole garden.

The resolution passed unanimously.

(Ayes: Member Keller, Vice Chair Crawford, Member Lacan, Member Polony, Member Nagle, Member Xochitl-Flores, Member Sullivan, Member Stringer, Member Spigelman, Member Potter,

Member Trang; Excused: Chair Sullivan, Member Vaisset-Fauvel; Absent: Member Hernandez-Gomez)

**11. Committee Reports:** (Discussion)

**Planning & Funding Committee.** Igor Lacan, Committee Chair.

**Landmark Tree Ad Hoc Committee.** Mike Sullivan, Committee Chair.

Committee Chair Lacan reported on Brian Quinn's presentation regarding cost-sharing opportunity for LiDAR data flight.

Committee Chair Sullivan discussed that in addition to the cork oak, a couple more Landmark Tree nominations have come in that may be agendaized for January 6<sup>th</sup> committee meeting.

Public comment: Marie Dunsmore, an electrical engineer, discussed that LiDAR can be used to differentiate among tree types. Spectral type LiDAR data can do an even better job of tree identification (90% vs. 60%)

**12. Staff Report.** Peter Brastow, Urban Forestry Coordinator, San Francisco Department of the Environment (Discussion)

Peter Brastow discussed a meeting with Supervisor Chan's office re landmarking the McAllister buckeye. Peter discussed the coast live oak missing tree data being completed by an SF Environment intern. He discussed that the process of getting major developments before the UFC has not made any progress, and that the UFC has not had the Strategic Plan on the agenda for a while.

There was no public comment.

**13. Urban Forestry Council Member Announcements.** (Discussion)

Vice Chair Crawford discussed that CalTrans is supporting the street tree nursery at 5<sup>th</sup> and Harrison, that they will be putting that in writing by the end of 2021.

He also discussed that during a recent Board of Supervisors meeting, a commenter reminded the Board about the role of the UFC regarding supporting the Board with information and expertise.

There was no public comment.

**14. New Business/Future Agenda Items.** (Discussion and Possible Action)

Peter Brastow discussed mention of the street tree nursery; the City of LA forester; the Cal Academy study of landscape plants.

Vice Chair Crawford discussed deferring to Chair Sullivan and that we have a lighter agenda at the next meeting to be able to spend time on the annual report. Peter Brastow mentioned that the nominated Landmark trees may be on the January agenda as well.

There was no public comment.

**15. Adjournment.**

**The next meeting of the Urban Forestry Council is scheduled for Friday, January 28, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. In compliance with the San Francisco Health Officer's Order No. C19-07c, directing all individuals to "shelter in place", Public meetings, panels and other advisory bodies will continue on a remote**

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Posted: December 6, 2021

SAN FRANCISCO URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL

Landmark Tree Nomination Form

Disclaimer: Any information you include on this form will be part of the public record. Anyone may request to see the information you submit for a landmark tree nomination. For more legal information, see the last page of this form.

Who can nominate a landmark tree?

- The Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and Historic Preservation Commission may nominate a tree through the adoption of a resolution.
The head of a City department or agency may nominate a tree on property under their jurisdiction. City departments and agencies should conduct an internal approval process before nominating a tree.
A property owner may nominate a tree on his or her property.
A member of the public may ask an authorized nominator to nominate a tree.

Please note that a permit will be required for removal of a landmark tree.

Pursuant to Ordinance 0017-06 and Public Works Code Article 16, Section 810, the Urban Forestry Council requests the following information.

I am one of the following authorized nominators (please check one):

- Property owner
Board of Supervisors (through adopted resolution)
[X] Head of a city department or agency
Planning Commission (through adopted resolution)
Historic Preservation Commission (through adopted resolution)

Authorized nominator (Sponsoring Supervisor, Planning Commission designee, Historic Preservation Commission designee, Head of City Department, property owner):

Member of the public who initiated nomination (if applicable):

Table with 2 columns: Field (Name, Department, Email, Phone) and Value (Carla Short, San Francisco Public Works, carla.short@sfdpw.org, 628-271-3078)

Table with 2 columns: Field (Name, Address, Email, Phone) and Value (empty)

I am an authorized nominator or designee and I support this nomination.

Signature: Carla Short
Date: 10/4/21

I am the property owner and I grant permission for city staff to evaluate the nominated tree on the property with advance notice.

Signature
Date

The Urban Forestry Council will use the following criteria to evaluate each potential landmark tree. If you need more space to describe the tree, please attach additional sheets.

TREE DESCRIPTION

Botanical name	<i>Quercus suber</i>
Common name	Cork Oak
Number of trees	1
Street address	20th St at Noe in upper portion of garden

Location of Tree:  Front yard  Rear yard  Side yard  Corner-side yard  
 Public right-of-way  Public lands  Not sure  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If the tree which extends beyond multiple properties:

Which part of the tree does so?

Trunk  Canopy

Where in the neighboring area?

Front yard  Rear yard  Side yard  Corner-side yard

GPS units (OPTIONAL):

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Height (in feet)	~50'
Average canopy width (in feet) <small>Distance from one edge to opposite edge of tree canopy</small>	~38'
Circumference at chest level (in inches) <small>Distance around trunk at 4.5' from ground <a href="http://www.isa-arbor.com/publications/tree-ord/heritage.aspx">http://www.isa-arbor.com/publications/tree-ord/heritage.aspx</a></small>	112"
Circumference at ground level (in inches) <small>Distance around trunk where the trunk meets the soil.</small>	102"

**Rarity**

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare  
 Uncommon  
 Common  
 Other

Comments	While they are not uncommon as a species in San Francisco, cork oaks of this size are rare
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**Physical Attributes**

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

- Large
- Medium
- Small

Comments	This is one of the largest cork oaks I am aware of in San Francisco, certainly in the public right-of-way
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**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Distinguished form:** Tree is an example of good form for its species, has majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

- Yes
- No

Comments	Tree has good structure and as noted is quite large for the species in San Francisco
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**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good
- Poor
- Potential hazard

Comments	
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**Historical Attributes**

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its historic value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown

Comments	
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**Environmental Attributes**

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

- Low
- Moderate
- High

Comments	
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**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

- Yes
- No

Comments	Community has identified numerous birds including ruby throated hummingbird, white crown sparrow, chestnut-backed chickadee, dark-eyed Junco, barn owl, American robin, as well as blue bellied lizard
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**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

- Yes
- No

Comments	Tree may provide some erosion control for hillside through extensive root system.
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**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	Neighbors submitted a petition with more than 50 signatures supporting Landmark status, also described children from neighborhood playing in the tree <u>dating back to the 1950s</u>
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**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its cultural value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown

Comments	
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**Additional comments:**



Also attaching communities nomination, which provides details on the community support for this tree.

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**A photograph of the tree must be submitted with this form.**

Please attach **optional** supporting documents such as letters, arborist report, etc.

**Send to:**           sfurbanforestcouncil@sfgov.org   OR  
Urban Forestry Council, 1155 Market Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103

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Application received date _____	Received by _____
Tree evaluation form _____	UFC recommendation date _____
Board of Supervisors Decision _____	
Landmark Tree # _____	Title recorded date _____

## Landmark Tree Nomination Form

**Disclaimer:** Any information you include on this form will be part of the public record. Anyone may request to see the information you submit for a landmark tree nomination. For more legal information, see the last page of this form.

### Who can nominate a landmark tree?

- The Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board may nominate a tree.
- The head of a City department or agency may nominate a tree on property under their jurisdiction. City departments and agencies should conduct an internal approval process before nominating a tree.
- A property owner may nominate a tree on his or her property.
- A member of the public may ask an authorized nominator to nominate a tree.

**Please note that a permit will be required for any future removal of a landmark tree.**

Pursuant to Ordinance 0017-06 and Public Works Code 810, the Urban Forestry Council requests the following information.

I am one of the following authorized nominators

- Property owner  
 Board of Supervisors (through resolution)  
 Head of a city department or agency  
 Planning Commission (through resolution)  
 Historic Preservation Commission (through resolution)

Authorized nominator (Supervisor, Planning Commission, Landmarks Advisory Board, Head of City Department, Property Owner):

Member of the public who initiated nomination (if applicable):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name David Dea

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address 4105 20<sup>th</sup> St.

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address San Francisco CA 94114

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) 415-509-2685

Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email ddea888@gmail.com

I am an authorized nominator and I support this nomination.

I am the property owner and I grant permission for city staff to evaluate the nominated tree on the property with advance notice.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signature David Dea

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The Urban Forestry Council will use the following criteria to evaluate each potential landmark tree. If you need more space to describe the tree, please attach additional sheets.

## TREE DESCRIPTION

Tree name (species and common name): Cork Oak Tree (Quercus suber)

Number of trees: 1

Street address: 20th Street ↗ Nae St. open space garden, at the upper part of the garden

Location of Tree:  Front yard  Rear yard  Side yard  Corner-side yard  
 Public right-of-way  Public lands  Not sure  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If the tree which extends beyond multiple properties: NO

Which part of the tree does so?

Trunk  Canopy

Where in the neighboring area?

Front yard  Rear yard  Side yard  Corner-side yard

GPS units (OPTIONAL): \_\_\_\_\_

Height 50' feet

Average canopy width 38' feet  
Distance from one edge to opposite edge of tree canopy

Circumference at chest level 112" inches  
Distance around trunk at 4.5 ft off the ground. <http://www.isa-arbor.com/publications/tree-ord/heritage.aspx>

Circumference at ground level 102" inches  
Distance around trunk on the ground where the trunk meets the soil.

**Rarity**Rarity:  Rare  Uncommon  Common  Other

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

Comment:

One other Quercus suber close by in Corte Valley  
No other known like species in San Francisco**Physical**Size:  Large  Medium  Small

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

Comment:

Outstanding, no larger trees close by. New plantings  
below canopy

Age: Significantly advanced age for the species.

Comment:

Not sure, looks like it's in its prime

Distinguished form:  Yes  No

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

Describe:

Very symmetrical, outstanding presence

Tree condition:  Good  Poor  Hazard

Consider overall tree health and structure, and whether or not tree poses a hazard

Describe:

Solid structure, very symmetrical, healthy trunk,  
limbs, bark in excellent condition**Historical**Historical Association:  Yes  None apparent

Related to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

Describe nature of appreciation:

see "Historical Association" attachment

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****Prominent landscape feature:**  Yes  No

A striking and outstanding natural feature.

Describe, attach photo if possible:

see attach photos**Low tree density:**  Low  Moderate  High

Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

Describe: other smaller trees in the garden and side st.**Interdependent group of trees:**  Yes  No

This tree is 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: Visible from the 4000 block of 20<sup>th</sup> Street**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: low vehical traffic, local and tourist foot traffic are predominant.**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.

see attachment - list of spotted ~~with~~ wild life**Erosion control:**  Yes  No

Tree prevents soil erosion.

Describe: It's leaf dropping creates mulch which in turn promotes plant growth thus holding hillside soil**Wind or sound barrier:**  Yes  No

Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Describe: Very windy at times, the tree breaks up wind vectors

**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

Yes

No

Comments

**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Yes

No

Comments

## Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

Yes

None apparent

Comments

*see "petition" & "Historical Association" attachments*

**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

Yes

None apparent

Comments

**Profiled in a publication or other media for its cultural value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

Yes

Unknown

Comments

Additional comments:

*see "Historical Association" attachment*



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## Eco-system & Wild life sheet

- \* **CO2 retention**; *carbon sequestering*
- \* **Local acoustic insulation**
- \* **Hillside erosion control**
- \* **Valuable mulch creation for the surrounding garden plants**
- \* **Shade for light sensitive plants**
- \* **Anchor for local ecosystem**
- \* **Shelter for local bird population**
  
- \* **Birds identified: Ruby throat hummingbird, white crown sparrow, chestnut-backed chickadee, dark-eyed Junco, crows, ravens, barn owl, American robin**
- \* **Blue bellied lizard**

## **Plant Eco-system at 20th St @ Noe St garden**

- \* *Aechmea fasciata*-variegated bromeliad, silver vase/urn plant tropical Americas
- \* *Phyllostachys aurea*-golden bamboo China
- \* *Camellia-tea flower* China/Korea/Japan
- \* *Rosa setigera*-climbing rose North America
- \* *Acanthus mollis*-bear's breeches, bear's foot plant/sea holly/oyster plant Mediterranean region
- \* *Genista monspessulana*-French broom/Montpellier broom/Cape broom US/Australia
- \* *Crocasmia-montbretia* southern & eastern Africa
- \* *Dichrostachys cinerea*-sicklebush/Bell minosa/Chinese lantern tree/Kalahari Christmas tree Africa/Indian subcontinent/North Australia
- \* *Cotoneaster frigidus*-Cotoneaster Himalayas
- \* *Chlorophytum comosum*-spider plant
- \* *Rhododendron*-Asia & US
- \* *Crassula ovata*-Jade plant Africa
- \* *Geranium retrorsum*-New Zealand geranium Australia
- \* *Festuca glauca*-blue fescue Asia
- \* *Aeonium* -succulent Canary Island/Madeira/Morocco/East Africa
- \* *Ophiopogon planiscapus*-black mondo grass Japan
- \* *Echeveria*-hen and chicks central America/Mexico/South America
- \* Sago palm-southeast Asia
- \* *Juniperus*-juniper worldwide
- \* *Pittosporum*-Australia
- \* *Plectranthus*
- \* *Oscularia deltoides*-deltoid-leave dew plant South Africa
- \* *Ceanothus*-North America
- \* *Lavandula dentata*-French lavender Madeira/Canary Islands
- \* *Asparagus densiflorus*-Asparagus fern Africa
- \* *Japonicum-Fargugium Argenteum*/variegated Leopard plant Japan
- \* *Dicksoniaceae*-tree fern New Zealand
- \* *Leptospermum laevigatum*-coast tea tree Australia
- \* *Pelargonium*- geranium tropical regions of the world/South Africa
- \* *Impatiens*-jewelweed/touch-me-not/snapweed/patience Northern Hemisphere, tropics
- \* *Centranthus-ruber*-red valerian/spur valerian/fox's brush/devil's beard/Jupiter's beard Mediterranean region
- \* *Cotyledon orbiculata*-pig's ear/round-leafed navel-wort South African succulent
- \* *Phytolacca americana*-American pokeweed/poke sallet/dragonberries North America very poisonous
- \* *Citrus limon*-lemon tree Assam a region in northeast India
- \* *Polypodium*-fern tropics
- \* *Diets grandiflora*-fairy iris/African iris Australia
- \* *Plectranthus oertendahlii* -Swedish ivy/silverleaf spurflower
- \* *Thaumatococcus bipinnatifidum*-split leaf philodendron tropical forests of Mexico to Panama
- \* *Monstera deliciosa*-swiss cheese philodendron tropical forests of Mexico to Panama
- \* *Abutilon*-Indian mallow/velvetleaf/room maple/parlor maple/flowering maple tropic & subtropics

## **Plant Eco-system at 20th St @ Noe St garden**

- \* *Kalanchoe crenato*-Mother of Thousands plant Madagascar/tropical Africa
- \* *Hatiora salicornioides*-Dancing Bones/bottle/spice cactus a native of Brazil really an epiphytic
- \* *Thaumatococcus* *Xanadu*-Philodendron *Xanadu* Brazil
- \* *Neoregelia* *Aztec*-Bromelioideae (*bromeliad*) South America
- \* *Neoregelia bahiana*-Bromelioideae (*bromeliad*) Brazil
- \* *Ophiopogon japonicus*-mondograss, monkey grass China/India/Japan/Vietnam
- \* *Farfugium*-Variegated Leopard plant China/Japan/Korea
- \* *Eriobotrya japonica*-Loquat tree China
- \* *Senecio serpens*-Blue chalk sticks South Africa
- \* *Crassula Muscosa*-Watch chain South Africa
- \* *Echinopsis pachanoi*-San Pedro cactus Central/South Americas, a traditional medicine
- \* *Dracaena fragrans*-variegated *Dracaena* tree tropical Africa
- \* *Agave americana*-century plant/maguey/American aloe Mexico/US
- \* *Agave americana marginata*-variegated cultivar yellow stripe Mexico/US
- \* *Agave parryi*-Parry's agave/mescal agave Mexico/Southwest US
- \* *Quercus suber*-cork oak tree Portugal

## **Historical Association**

### **Additional comments**

**In the 50's on 20th Street where kids grew up the hillside at that time was known as "Nanny Goat Hill". Local kids nearby would go the Cliff's and buy kites and go up to the hillside to fly them. There were picnics, kids made forts in the middle of wild fennel and English Ivy growing around the Cork Oak tree. The gang of kids numbered 10-15 all living in the area and visited this open space often. Back then there were no apartment buildings. There was two rough pathways up to the hillside, concrete stairs were not built.**

**The Cork Oak tree has been an intergral to 20th Street/ Hartford neighborhood and was witness to nearby community events for over 75 years.**

Table 1

## LANDMARK TREE NOMINATION FOR CORK OAK TREE PETITION LIST

Name	address	date	
Lorraine Selman	4106 20th St SF CA 94114	Aug 4th 2021	Jeanine Hwee
Lindsay Cedillo	9118 20th St. SF CA 94114	8/3/21	Lindsay Cedillo
JOEWAGENHAFFER	4115 20th St SF CA 94114	8/3/21	[Signature]
Tom Goddard	4119 20th St SF CA 94114	8/4/21	[Signature]
He Liu	4119 20th St SF CA 94114	8/4/21	Helin
John Ozden	4122 20th St SF CA 94114	8/4/21	[Signature]
IKUKO HOTTA	4130 20th STREET SF, 94114		[Signature]
Nicole MIKO	4147 20th St SF, 94114		[Signature]
MARTYN SCUMM	4106 20th St		[Signature]
Odette Williams	4127 20th St	94114	[Signature]
Nick Law	4127 20th St	94114	[Signature]
DEV DAS	42 Limer Ter	94114	[Signature]
HIMEE TEO	42 Limer Ter	94114	[Signature]
Doris Chew	4105 20th St	94114	[Signature]
Elizabeth Schumann	4100 20th St	94114	[Signature]
Chris Steger	4100 20th St.	94114	[Signature]
MARIANNE GOODKIN	4130 20th St.	94114	Marianne Goodkin
Merrill Deskins	4137 20th St	94114	Merrill Deskins
Jess Sullivan	4126 - 20th St	94114	[Signature]
JULIA CHEW	125 EWING TER	94118	[Signature]
Zann Goff	4167A 20th St	94114 8/5/21	[Signature]
Anthony Varona	4167A 20th St	8/5/21	[Signature]
STEPHAN MOREWITT	695 NOEST	8.6.21	[Signature]
Jeddy M... -	4111 20th St	8/7/21	[Signature]
KARL LEICHUM	3325 Octavia St SF.	8.7.21	[Signature]
Liz Clark	721 Sanchez	8-7-21	[Signature]
Liz Kantor	348 Cumberland	"	[Signature]
Joseph [unclear]	633 Noe St.	8/09/21	[Signature]
JOHN O'DWINE	384 Liberty St SF	7 AUG 2021	[Signature]
Jennifer Bury	384 Liberty St SF	8/7/21	[Signature]
JUSTIN BRUTA	1409 CALIFORNIA ST SF	8/7/21	[Signature]
Carolyn Kenedy	3632 24th St. 94114	8/7/21	Carolyn Kenedy
Patty Signan	532 Day St. 94131	8/10/21	Patty Signan
Emeen Mann	71 20th St 94110	8/10/21	[Signature]
Elizabeth Eidos	375 30th St 94131	8/10/2021	Elizabeth Eidos
ALEXANDER YEE	417 HAZELWOOD DRIVE 94180	8/14/21	[Signature]
KHRISTHA H. QUEMA-YEE	417 Hazelwood Dr, SF, CA 94180	8/14/21	[Signature]
Lori YEE	200 LAKE Dr, SAN BRUNO, CA 94066	8/14/21	Lori Yee
Norma Knox	211 Scofield Dr. Moraga, CA 94556		[Signature]
SONNA CHEW	1246 Lombard St SF 94109		[Signature]
Alycia Chen	1246 Lombard St SF 94109		[Signature]
Tim Wu	1246 Lombard St SF 94109		[Signature]
Fabrielle Schurr	4130-1 20th St SF 94114		[Signature]

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## LANDMARK TREE NOMINATION FOR CORK OAK TREE PETITION LIST

Name	address	date	
CHRANNING HOOD	111 BAY VIEW RD, PACIFICA, CA	8-16-21	Channing Hood
JAMES FRANK	2370 Church St. Apt. E SF CA	8-20-21	James Frank
W. Choroski	544 CHURCH ST. SF, CA	8-20-21	Art Choroski
MARY ELLEN MAGEE	2151 30TH AVE SF CA	8-20-21	Mary Ellen Magee
W. C. Leuclough	219 Jersey St. SF, CA 94114	8/21/21	W. C. Leuclough
HARRY FORD	695 NOE APT # 2744	8/21/21	Harry Ford
PHILIP SALAS-KOHL	"	"	Philip Salas-Kohl
RACHAEL LACEY	460 Staples Ave	8/22/2021	Rachael Lacey
PETER W. ORSHIT	713 NOE	8/22/2021	Peter W. Orshitt
MARK THOMAS	713 NOE	8/22/2021	Mark Thomas
MARK BARTZ	4854 20th St	8/22/2021	Mark Bartz

## NOMINATION

Any of the following may nominate:

- Property owner (submits a nomination form)
- Board of Supervisors (passes nomination resolution)
- Historic Preservation Commission (passes nomination resolution)
- Planning Commission (passes nomination resolution)
- Director of Agency or Dept. Head (submits nomination form)

## NOTIFICATION

Upon receipt UFC Staff notifies:

- Public Works
- Planning staff
- UFC Landmark Tree Committee (LTC) members

## SITE EVALUATION

- UFC Staff coordinates site visits for LTC members and staff
- LTC members and UFC staff submit evaluation forms for committee hearing.

## UFC Staff schedules and notifies hearings

- LTC hearings require 15-day notice
- Letters and/or on-site posting for adjacent property owners requires 7-day notice

## UFC LANDMARK TREE COMMITTEE HEARING

- Meeting process
  - 1) Nomination sponsor (8 min)
  - 2) Staff analysis (8 min)
  - 3) Property owner presentation, may including outside professional staff (8 min)
  - 4) Public comment (up to 3 min/per person)
  - 5) Committee Evaluation Reports (8 min total)
  - 6) Staff Rebuttal (3-5 min)
  - 7) Property owner Rebuttal (3-5 min)
- Motion and vote to recommend to UFC either support or deny (regardless of outcome, goes on to UFC)
- Chair prepares and submits report to full UFC

## URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL HEARING

- Meeting process
  - 1) Landmark Committee Chair provides Committee Report
  - 2) Member discussion of Landmark Committee member findings; may ask questions from public present at meeting
  - 3) Public Comment, includes property owner
- Motion and vote
  - If motion fails, nomination ends. Tree can't be nominated again for 3 years
  - If motion passes or a quorum can't be reached, advisory packet goes to BOS with either "no recommendation" cover letter
  - If motion passes, advisory packet goes to BOS with supportive resolution

Board of Supervisors Process





# Urban Forestry Council

## Landmark Tree Evaluation Form and Criteria

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Evaluator's name	Jillian Keller
Date of evaluation	10-15-21
Start time of evaluation	~10:00AM
End time of evaluation	~10:30AM
Botanical name	Quercus suber
Common name	Cork Oak
Street address	20th St.
Cross streets	Noe

### Rarity

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare  
 Uncommon  
 Common  
 Other

Comments	
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### Physical Attributes

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

- Large  
 Medium  
 Small

Comments	Very large for the species
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**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	Mature in development
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**Distinguished form:** Tree is an example of good form for its species, has majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	Impressive Spreading Crown
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**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good  
 Poor  
 Potential hazard

Comments	Good health and Structure
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **physical attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes  
 Partially  
 No

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### Historical Attributes

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes  
 None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its *historic value*:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes  
 Unknown

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **historic attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes  
 Partially

No

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## Environmental Attributes

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

- Low  
 Moderate  
 High

Comments	
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**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **environmental attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes  
 Partially  
 No

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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

- Yes  
 None apparent

Comments	
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**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

- Yes  
 None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its *cultural* value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes  
 Unknown

Comments	
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**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **cultural attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
  - Partially
  - No
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**Additional comments:**



I recommend Landmarking the tree.

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Evaluator's name	Morgan Vaisset ferve
Date of evaluation	11/01/2021
Start time of evaluation	8:25 am.
End time of evaluation	8:40 am.
Botanical name	Quercus Luber
Common name	Cork oak.
Street address	Woe x 10th
Cross streets	" " "

### Rarity

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare  
 Uncommon SF -  
 Common Bay.  
 Other

Comments	Uncommon at <del>the</del> SF, Common in the bay area
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### Physical Attributes

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

- Large  
 Medium  
 Small

Comments	large specimen for San Francisco.
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**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes
- No

Comments	The tree is large but mid age -
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**Distinguished form:** Tree is an example of good form for its species, has majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

- Yes
- No

Comments	The tree has a typical rounded form, in good condition
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**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good
- Poor
- Potential hazard

Comments	The tree is in great health condition. One included bark section, but not in bad condition -
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**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **physical attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?  Yes

- Partially
- No

**Historical Attributes**

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	no w/ the public support over the neighborhood
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its historic value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes

Unknown

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **historic attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

Yes

Partially

No

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### Environmental Attributes

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

Yes

No

Comments	dominant visual attribute -
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**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

Low

Moderate

High

Comments	tree located on a vegetated median. but neighborhood is heavy tree vegetated.
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**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

Yes

No

Comments	in an island of non native vegetation and trees.
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**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

Yes

No

Comments	only visible on the top of the stairs.
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**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

Yes

No

Comments	near stairs (paved gravel) and cross 2 major street
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**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

Yes

No

Comments	canopy similar to live oak tree such as California oak worm -
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**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

Yes

No

Comments	erect on the hill side, multiple trees are located on that site
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**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Yes

No

Comments	nearby neighbors for cars and wind control (evergreen tree) -
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **environmental attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

Yes

Partially

No

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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

Yes

None apparent

Comments	
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**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its cultural value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown

Comments	into the park located on the mini vegetated island
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**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **cultural attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
- Partially
- No

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**Additional comments:**

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Evaluator's name	Pam Nagle
Date of evaluation	10/18/2021
Start time of evaluation	12:30 PM
End time of evaluation	12:45 PM
Botanical name	<i>Quercus suber</i>
Common name	Cork Oak
Street address	20 <sup>th</sup> & Noe Streets, upper garden
Cross streets	" " "

### Rarity

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare  
 Uncommon  
 Common  
 Other

Comments	Fairly common.
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### Physical Attributes

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

- Large  
 Medium  
 Small

Comments	Largest cork oak I have seen in the City.
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**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Distinguished form:** Tree is an example of good form for its species, has majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good  
 Poor  
 Potential hazard

Comments	Tree has codominant stems at 4' with multiple attachments above. DBH of 23 and 23". Approximate height of ~50', width of ~40'. Wide vigorous crown.
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **physical attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes  
 Partially  
 No

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### Historical Attributes

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes  
 None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its *historic value*:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes  
 Unknown

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **historic attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes

- Partially
- No

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## Environmental Attributes

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

- Yes
- No

Comments	Large, vigorous tree.
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**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

- Low
- Moderate
- High

Comments	
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**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

Yes

No

Comments	Tree is at top of planted slope near concrete retaining wall and likely its root system provides erosion control on hillside.
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**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Yes

No

Comments	Crown of tree is below crest of hill; traffic is light on nearby steep streets.
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **environmental attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

Yes

Partially

No

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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

Yes

None apparent

Comments	Neighbors have submitted a community nomination.
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**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

Yes

None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its *cultural* value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

Yes

Unknown

Comments	
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**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **cultural attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
  - Partially
  - No
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**Additional comments:**



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Evaluator's name	Damon Spigelman
Date of evaluation	10-19-2021
Start time of evaluation	9:30
End time of evaluation	10:30
Botanical name	Quercus suber
Common name	Cork oak
Street address	20 <sup>th</sup> St at Noe in upper portion of garden
Cross streets	Noe

### Rarity

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare
- Uncommon
- Common
- Other

Comments	
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### Physical Attributes

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

- Large
- Medium
- Small

Comments	
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**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Distinguished form:** Tree is an example of good form for its species, has majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good
- Poor
- Potential hazard

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **physical attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?  Yes

- Partially
- No

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## Historical Attributes

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its historic value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **historic attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
- Partially
- No

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### Environmental Attributes

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

- Low
- Moderate
- High

Comments	
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**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

- Yes
- No

Comments	
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**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

- Yes  
 No

Comments	
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### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **environmental attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes  
 Partially  
 No

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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

- Yes  
 None apparent

Comments	Neighbors have submitted petition with over 50 signatures supporting this nomination.
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**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

- Yes
- None apparent

Comments	
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**Profiled in a publication or other media for its *cultural value*:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown

Comments	
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**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **cultural attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
- Partially
- No

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**Additional comments:**



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Evaluator's name **Mike Sullivan**  
Date of evaluation **10-27-21**  
Start time of evaluation **12:15 PM**  
End time of evaluation **12:45 PM**  
Botanical name **Quercus suber**  
Common name **Cork oak**  
Street address  
Cross streets **Noe/21st**

## Rarity

Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.

- Rare
- Uncommon
- Common
- Other

Comments

becoming more common as a street tree; very rare to see one this large (may be largest in SF)

## Physical Attributes

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

- Large
- Medium
- Small

Comments

perhaps largest in the City

**Age:** Significantly advanced age for the species.

- Yes
- No

Comments

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

- Yes
- No

Comments

Beautiful!

**Tree condition:** Consider overall tree health and structure, including hazard potential.

- Good
- Poor

- Potential hazard
- Comments

**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **physical attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?  Yes

- Partially
- No

Definitely.

**Historical Attributes**

**Historical association:** Any relation to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.

- Yes
- None apparent
- Comments

**Profiled in a publication or other media for its historic value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

- Yes
- Unknown
- Comments

none known.

**OVERALL CATEGORY RATING**

Do the **historic attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

- Yes
- Partially
- No

**Environmental Attributes**

**Prominent landscape feature:** A striking and outstanding natural feature.

- Yes
- No
- Comments

**Low tree density:** Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.

- Low
- Moderate
- High
- Comments

not true. Plenty of street trees nearby.

**Interdependent group of trees:** This tree is an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on the adjacent trees.

- Yes
- No
- Comments

**Visible or accessible from public right-of-way:** High visibility and/or accessibility.

- Yes
- No
- Comments

Yes, ~~set~~

**High traffic area:** Tree is in an area that has a large volume of vehicle, pedestrian, or bike traffic and has a potential traffic-calming effect.

Yes

No

Comments

**Important wildlife habitat:** Species has a known relationship with wildlife to which it provides food, shelter, nesting potential, etc.

Yes

No

Comments

uncertain

**Erosion control:** Tree prevents soil erosion.

Yes

No

Comments

not any significant amount.

**Wind or sound barrier:** Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.

Yes

No

Comments

### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **environmental attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

Yes

Partially

No

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### Cultural Attributes

**Neighborhood appreciation:** Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition(s), outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or related to the tree, etc. Attach documentation.

Yes

None apparent

Comments

**Cultural appreciation:** Tree is of value to a certain cultural or ethnic group(s) in the City.

Yes

None apparent

Comments

**Profiled in a publication or other media for its cultural value:** Tree has received coverage in print, internet, media, etc. Attach documentation or provide links if appropriate.

Yes

Unknown

Comments

### OVERALL CATEGORY RATING

Do the **cultural attributes** of this tree support a recommendation for Landmark status?

Yes

Partially

no.

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**Additional comments:**

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