

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-103**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROHNERT PARK AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF TREES IN LANDSCAPE MEDIANS LOCATED ON COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rohnert Park ("City") owns the property that includes the landscape medians located on Country Club Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honey Locust trees planted in the landscape medians are unhealthy and unattractive because they are not well-suited for an environment with turf; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to restore the appearance of Country Club Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the City would replace the unhealthy Honey Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) trees with Chinese Pistache, (*Pistacia chinensis*) and Trident Maple (*Acer buergeranum*) tree varieties; and

**WHEREAS**, the City would also plant two Oak trees in the northern-most landscape median on Country Club Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the trees would be replaced over the course of three years to minimize the impact to residents and to keep the scope of the project manageable; and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost of the three-year project is estimated at \$41,825; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a Tree Removal In-Lieu Fee Deposit account, established per Municipal Code 17.15.050, to fund the tree replacement project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Budget for 2016-17 allocates \$30,000 from this account to the General Fund in order to replace trees on Country Club Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Budget for 2017-18 will include an allocation of \$11,825 from the Tree Removal In-Lieu Fee Deposit account to the General Fund in order to fully fund the tree replacement project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Sections 15304 (Minor Alterations of Land) of CEQA Guidelines. (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15304); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Rohnert Park that it does hereby authorize the removal and replacement of trees in landscape medians on Country Club Drive based on an exemption from CEQA pursuant to Section 15304 (Minor Alterations of Land) of the CEQA Guidelines. (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15304).

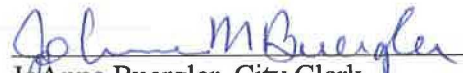
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents pertaining to the tree replacement project for and on behalf of the City of Rohnert Park and to take all action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and/or consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED this 25th day of October, 2016.

CITY OF ROHNERT PARK

  
Gina Belforte, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
JoAnne Buergler, City Clerk

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