

Subject: Re: PHOA Tree Committee

Date: Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 8:33:17 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Robert May <r.may@rmaygroup.com>

To: Francine Kirkpatrick <DrFKirk@verizon.net>

Thank you Francine. I didn't imagine that it would be a quick and easy process. I am not opposed to having trees in general, but it is clear that these five are high and block the view even when trimmed. So let's keep it moving and eventually I believe we will be successful.

Best regards,

Robert

On Thu, Oct 2, 2014 at 6:50 PM, Francine Kirkpatrick <DrFKirk@verizon.net> wrote:
Hello Robert,

My committee members Syd Vinnedge and Miriam Schulman were able for the first time last weekend end to visit the Ransfords in their home. The Ransfords are lovely people but are adamant in their opposition to the concept of CC&Rs that limit what they do on their property. Therefore this visit is the first effort of, I anticipate, many on our part to reach a successful conclusion.

The Ransford's eucalyptus trees have been there for many, many years. In my experience with people and their trees it sometimes takes a long time to loosen a homeowner's attachment to their trees. I just concluded a successful tree trimming on another property and it took a year of slow, gentle pressure and communication including of the legal power of the CC&Rs to reach a successful agreement between neighbors re trees and views. With cases I know of that go to court the judge likes to see evidence over time of many efforts to get compliance prior to a law suit.

The Ransfords also have an unstable hillside that slid in the '60's and literally pushed the house below off it's foundation and seriously damaged the Ransford home, too. Building and Safety made requirements of them regarding stabilization of the hill, including planting. So we also have a safety issue to consider in our negotiations with the Ransfords.

Next, I will be going into your back yard today to take more photos to determine what we call a "view line", that is the maximum height a tree is allowed to grow before obstructing a neighbor's view.

I will keep you posted on any progress.

Francine

From: Robert May <r.may@rmaygroup.com>

Date: Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 3:04 AM

To: ">" <drfkirk@verizon.net>

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Hello Francine,

I hope you are doing well. As you notice, they are making great progress on the slope repair of my property which should be completed within the next 2-3 weeks. That is great news.

I wanted to follow up with you regarding the Tree Committee review of the neighbor's eucalyptus trees. I am not sure how your process works and what my expectations should be. I also heard that eucalyptus trees are also fire hazards as they have a tendency to explode if there is a fire.

Kindly let me know how the process works and if you need anything else from me.

I am still overseas at the moment but will come back in a month or so.

Thanks and regards,

Robert

From: Francine Kirkpatrick <DrFKirk@verizon.net>

Date: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 10:15 PM

To: Robert May <r.may@rmaygroup.com>

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Thank you Robert
Francine

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From: Robert May <r.may@rmaygroup.com>

Date: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 8:23 AM

To: ">" <drfkirk@verizon.net>

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Hello Francine,

That is fine. There is a padlock on the back gate near the garage. The key is under the

map at the front door. Feel free to go on the property. There is also work ongoing on the slope now so the gate may already be open.

Thank you for following up on this issue.

Regards,

Robert

On Wed, Sep 10, 2014 at 5:51 PM, Francine Kirkpatrick <DrFKirk@verizon.net> wrote:

Hello Robert,

There will be a PHOA Tree Committee meeting at my house tomorrow, Thursday the 11th, at 4:30PM to discuss your neighbor and their eucalyptus trees that block your view. I know this is last minute but is there any way you could arrange at this late date to allow us to enter your back yard to view the obstruction? If possible I would greatly appreciate it!

Thanks,

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