



March 10, 2021

City of Cupertino
10300 Torre Avenue
Cupertino, California 95014

Re: Live Tree Removals at 20875 Valley Green Drive, Cupertino, CA

To whom it may concern,

This letter intends to address the removal of one (1) *Ulmus parvifolia* (Chinese elm) and the relocation one (1) live *Acer palmatum* (Japanese maple) fronting the proposed path to the new fitness center on the 20875 Valley Green Drive property in Cupertino, California. Please see Exhibit 1.1 for the relative locations of the subject trees indicated as white/red dots, and for the location of the replacement trees. The trees are live but will need to be removed (Tree A) and relocated on-site (Tree B) due to the proposed project.

Tree A is approximately 30-feet tall with a 30-foot canopy width and a 14-inch trunk diameter at 4.5-feet above grade. Tree B is approximately 5-feet tall with a 5-foot canopy width and a 2-inch and 2-inch multi-trunk diameter at 3-feet above grade. The trees are in good health and have good structure. The trees are in direct conflict with the proposed pathway to the fitness center entrance to the building. Please see Exhibit 1.2 an image of the subject trees.

The reason for their removal is due to capital improvements. The adjacent building entrance has an ADA egress through the existing planting areas of the trees—a walkway planned to be installed through the subject trees' growing space. Please see Exhibit 1.2 for a section of the plans showing the ADA walkway located in the trees' growing space. Due to the close proximity of the planned excavation for the walkway, the trees will require removal.

The trees are considered protected pursuant to Section 14.18.035 of the City of Cupertino's Municipal Code and require a permit from the City's Planning Department prior to their removal. The property owner would like to transplant Tree B on-site to mitigate its removal as well as replace Tree A with two (2) 24-inch box Chinese pistache. The replacements and relocation will be planted in the planting locations shown in Exhibit 1.1.

Please review this information and contact me with any questions or concerns regarding the information provided in this letter.

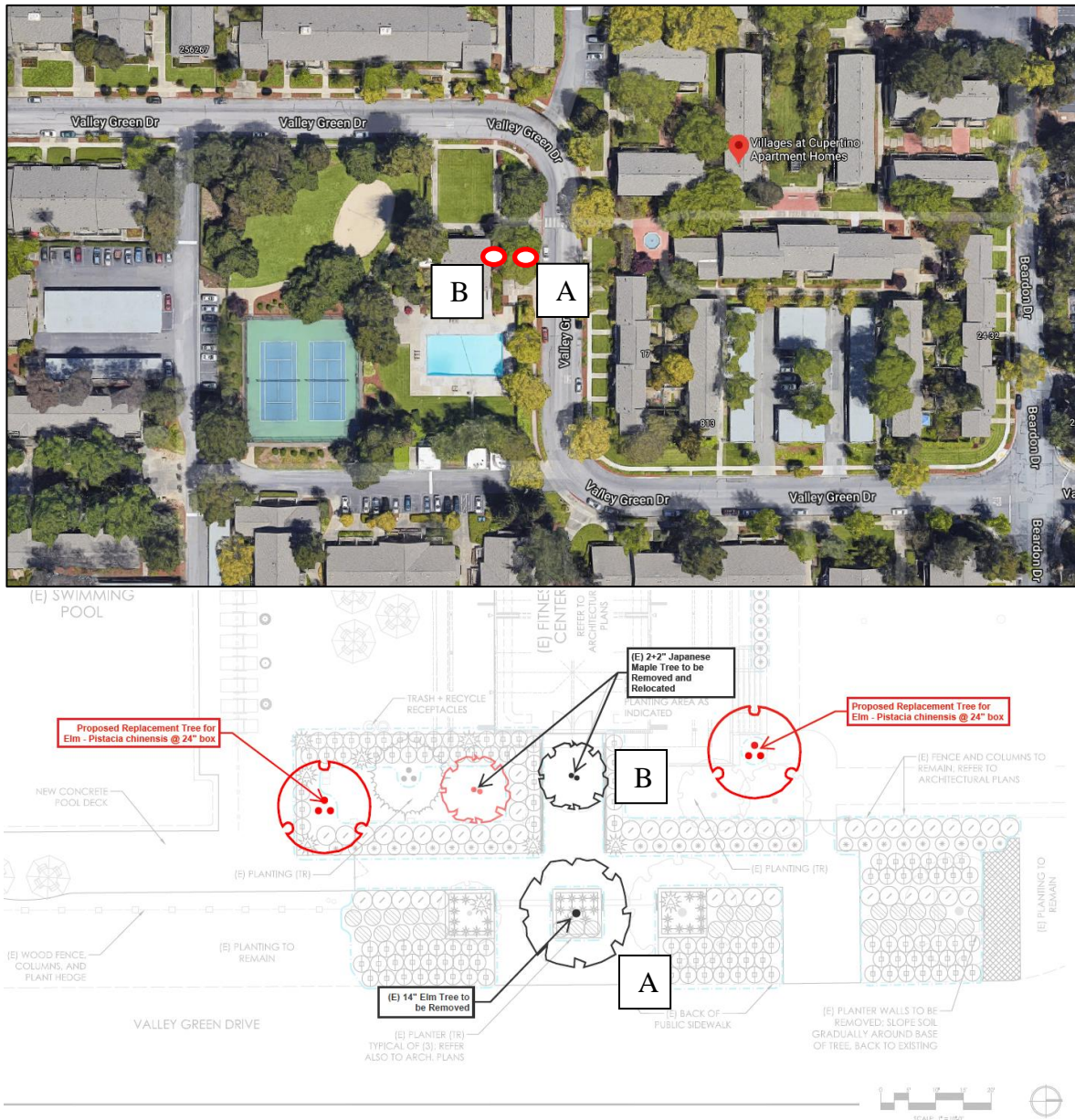
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S Oakley".

Samuel Oakley
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Exhibit 1.1 – Site Map:

The locations of the proposed removals are shown with white/red dots (top image). The replacement tree locations are shown in the bottom image.



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