

CERTIFIED ARBORIST REPORT

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PROJECT

Tree Inspection at Clairemont Village Shopping Center
3089 Clairemont Drive
San Diego, CA 92117

PREPARED FOR

Chris Smith Development

PREPARED BY

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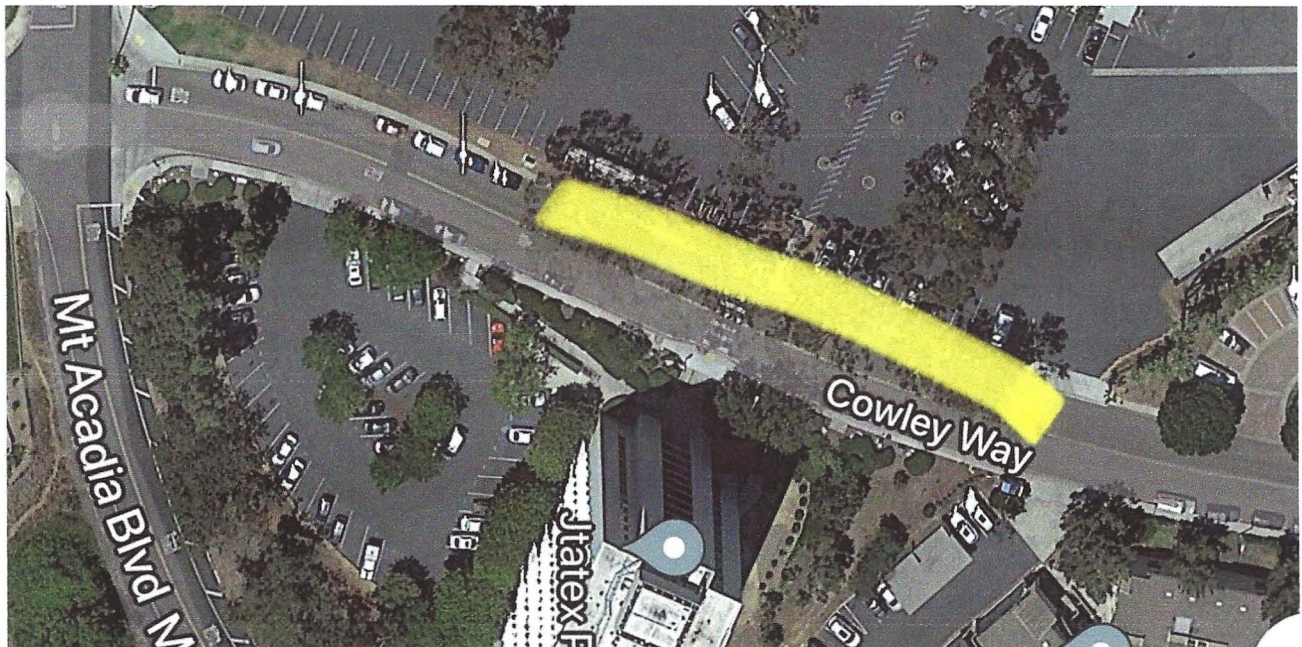
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SITE ANALYSIS

Clairemont Village Shopping Center has an underutilized parking lot at the back of the property. Therefore, the property's owner is in the process of planning the development of housing structures in this back parking lot.

SCOPE OF WORK

LC Tree Service was contracted to inspect certain trees of concern along Cowley Way behind Clairemont Village Shopping Center.



SPECIES

Eucalyptus globulus (Tasmanian Blue Gum)

Along Cowley Way sit eight Tasmanian blue gum trees that possess varying DBH's (diameter at breast height) ranging from 19 inches to 28 inches. These trees are at least 25-years-old and have been trimmed many times.

Most of the eucalyptus trees in this lineup are healthy and in decent shape—however, one appears to be in a stress response. It possesses dead limbs and overall, does not look as healthy as the rest of the trees.



These eight eucalyptus trees are positioned within five feet of the sidewalk. In the past, the sidewalk was replaced due to damage that was incurred from tree roots. To protect the new sidewalk, several of the trees had their roots pruned back. But despite the

efforts, multiple sections of the sidewalk have begun to lift again due to the trees' root vigorous root systems.

It is my understanding that the sidewalk will be replaced, with the new sidewalk being installed closer to the trees in order to make room for a landscape pathway between the sidewalk and street. The problem with this plan is that the new hardscape development will encroach too close to the base of the trees—resting directly above the root collar of a tree or at the center of the tree itself. Although these trees are accustomed to tight living spaces, they are likely to suffer if their already compact area is downsized even more.



If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at larry@lctrees.com or at 619-677-5777 ext. 2.

Sincerely,

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Pyrus calleryana (Ornamental Pear) and **Washingtonia robusta** (Mexican Fan Palm)

There are 4 Ornamental Pear trees and 2 Mexican Fan Palms along Field St. All appear in great condition and are extremely healthy. They are positioned within 3 feet of the sidewalk. If the sidewalk needs to be altered the trees will need to be removed. They are all too large to be transplanted and aside from the Mexican Fan Palms, would not handle the move well.



Inside the parking lot slated for renovation, there are sixteen Eucalyptus trees growing in planters. Aside from a few dead trees, most are in decent to good health. The majority of these trees have trunk injuries from vehicles running into them, which is common for parking lots. Roots from these trees have severely damaged the parking lot and in my opinion have out grown the planters. Below are a few pictures depicting the condition and damage caused by the trees.

