# City of Pittsburg Zoning Administrator Agenda

#### **February 4, 2019**

City Hall First Floor Conference Room 4B 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565

1:30 P.M.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

**DELETIONS, WITHDRAWALS OR CONTINUANCES** 

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE** (For items not listed on the agenda.)

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. New Destiny Church Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit, AP-19-1453 (ZA)

This is an application by Gail Knowles on behalf of New Destiny Church, requesting Zoning Administrator approval of a fence height exception to allow a six-foot-tall wrought-iron fence within the front and corner side yard setback, where the maximum height permitted is three feet, and a tree removal permit to remove three protected trees. The project is located at 1411 East Leland Road in the CC (Community Commercial) District. Assessor's Parcel Nos. 088-570-002, -004, and -014.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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#### **NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### Memorandum

**MEMO:** February 4, 2020 **TO:** Zoning Administrator

**FROM:** John Dacey, AICP, Assistant Planner

RE: New Destiny Church Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal

Permit, AP-19-1453 (ZA)

ORIGINATED BY: New Destiny Church, 1411 E. Leland Rd, Pittsburg, CA 94565

<u>SUBJECT:</u> This is an application by Gail Knowles on behalf of New Destiny Church, requesting Zoning Administrator approval of a fence height exception and a tree removal permit for the property located at 1411 E. Leland Road in the CC (Community Commercial) District. Assessor's Parcel Nos. 088-570-002, -004, and -014. Approval of the application would allow construction of six-foot-tall wrought-iron fence and removal of three existing trees with protected status.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the Zoning Administrator adopt Resolution No. 350, approving Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit Application No. 19-1453, subject to conditions.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

This application was filed on August 2, 2019. The Notice of Intent to Conduct a Zoning Administrator Public Hearing for this item was provided to the Planning Commission on October 22, 2019.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Existing Conditions: The subject site is located along E. Leland Road, between Loveridge Road and Gladstone Drive. The 3.39-acre site is developed with a 28,608-square-foot church; a separate 6,580-square-foot commercial building; and a shared parking lot with landscaped areas. The only fencing on the property is located along its western boundary, between the church building and the Loveridge Shopping Center. There are 12 trees on site with a circumference greater than 50 inches. None of those trees are native to California (see Attachment 5, Arborist Report). However, the City Planner has determined that three of the trees are beneficial to site and neighborhood, and therefore are considered protected trees pursuant to Pittsburg Municipal Code (PMC) section 18.84.830(F). The protected trees are located along Gladstone Drive and

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Simpson Court.

<u>Proposed Project:</u> The applicant would like to enclose the remaining perimeter of the property with a six-foot-tall wrought-iron fence to address ongoing issues with trespassing and vandalism (see Attachment 4, Project Plans). Automatic gates would be installed along the three street frontages. The gate along Gladstone Drive would be open during business hours from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The gate along E. Leland Road would be open during church service hours which vary throughout the week. The gate along Simpson Court would be opened regularly only on special events and Sundays. Installation of the new fence would require removal of the three protected trees mentioned under the existing conditions section of this report.

#### **CODE COMPLIANCE:**

Zoning: The subject site is in the CC (Community Commercial) District. The maximum fence height allowed within the required front and corner side yard setbacks is three feet [(PMC section 18.84.205(C)(3)]. The proposed six-foot tall fence would exceed this maximum by three feet. PMC section 18.84.205(F) allows for the maximum allowable fence height to be increased through the issuance of a fence height exception approved by the Zoning Administrator.

Required Findings – Fence Height Exception: In accordance with PMC section 18.84.205 (F)(2), a fence height exception may be granted only if the Zoning Administrator can make findings that the proposed fence:

- A. will not infringe upon the light, air circulation, or visual openness of surrounding properties;
- B. will not detract, impair, or destroy the characteristics of the established area; and,
- C. will not be detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of persons residing or working in or adjacent to the area or neighborhood of such structure.

<u>Tree Removal Permit:</u> A tree removal permit is required prior to removal of any protected tree (PMC 18.84.845). PMC section 18.84.855 specifies the following options for replacement of protected trees: a) replacement of the removed trees at a four-to-one ratio with 24-inch box trees; b) replacement of the trees at a 12-to-one ratio with 15-gallon trees; c) payment of in-lieu fees equal to the replacement trees' value, installation costs and one year of maintenance costs, as calculated with a 12-to-one ratio of 15-gallon trees (in-lieu fee is currently \$400 per tree); or d) a combination of replacement and payment of in-lieu fees.

Required Findings- Tree Removal Permit: In order to approve the removal of protected trees, the Zoning Administrator must make at least one of the following findings pursuant to PMC section 18.84.850(E):

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- A. the condition of the tree or trees with respect to disease, danger of falling and the potential for endangering other nearby trees warrants removal and such condition represents a risk to public health and safety and cannot be reasonably remedied through less drastic measure; or
- B. the burden to the applicant in preserving the tree or trees greatly outweighs the tree's or trees' benefit to the public or environment; or
- C. if part of a development plan, subdivision or other discretionary project, preservation of the tree or trees would severely reduce the scale or feasibility of the development.

<u>Environmental</u>: The proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 3, "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures" of the State CEQA Guidelines, section 15303. Class 3 exemptions include a variety of accessory structures such as garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences.

<u>Public Noticing:</u> On or prior to January 25, 2020, notice of the February 4, 2020 public hearing was posted at City Hall, near the subject site, and on the 'Public Notices' section of the city's website; was delivered for posting at the Pittsburg Library; and was mailed via first class or electronic mail to the applicant, to the property owner, to owners of property located within 300 feet of the project site, and to individuals who had previously filed written request for such notice, in accordance with Pittsburg Municipal Code (PMC) section 18.14.010 and Government Code section 65091.

#### STAFF ANALYSIS:

Staff believes the Zoning Administrator can make the required findings to approve the fence height exception as requested. The proposed fence would not infringe upon the light, air circulation, or visual openness of surrounding properties, since the perimeter of the property is primarily located along public right-of-ways. Existing fencing is located along the property lines with the Loveridge Shopping Center and St. Vincent De Paul, of which the proposed fence would provide higher quality materials, and still allow for circulation of light and air by its design. The new fencing would not affect sight lines for driver safety, as it would be setback sufficiently from roadways.

Staff also believes the Zoning Administrator can make the required findings to approve the tree removal permit as requested. The burden to the applicant in preserving the three trees greatly outweighs the trees' benefit to the public or environment, and a condition of approval requiring the applicant to provide replacement trees of adequate size would sufficiently mitigate the removal of the protected trees, pursuant to PMC section 18.84.855.

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#### **REQUIRED ACTION:**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 350, approving Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit Application No. 19-1453, subject to conditions.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Proposed Resolution No. 350
- 2. Site Photos
- 3. Map of Surrounding Uses
- 4. Project Plans, dated January 27, 2020
- 5. Arborist Report, dated October 31, 2019
- 6. Public Hearing Notice/Vicinity Map

Prepared by: John Dacey, AICP, Assistant Planner

### PROPOSED BEFORE THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURG

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Fence, and a Tree Removal Permit for	)	
Three Protected Trees, for "New Destiny	)	
Church Fence Height Exception and Tree	)	
Removal Permit, AP-19-1453 (ZA)."	)_	

The Zoning Administrator DOES RESOLVE as follows:

#### Section 1. Background

- A. On August 2, 2019, Gail Knowles, filed Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit Application No. 19-1453, requesting approval to construct a six-foot tall wrought-iron fence within the front and corner side yard setback, where the maximum fence height permitted is three feet, and a tree removal permit to remove three protected trees, located at 1411 East Leland Road in the CC (Community Commercial) District. Assessor's Parcel Nos. 088-570-002, -004, -014.
- B. On October 22, 2019, the Zoning Administrator submitted to the Planning Commission a Notice of Intent to exercise delegated authority for the subject application pursuant to Pittsburg Municipal Code (PMC) section 18.84.205(F)(2).
- C. The proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 3, "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures" of the State CEQA Guidelines, section 15303. Class 3 exemptions include a variety of accessory structures such as garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences.
- D. On or prior to January 25, 2020, notice of the February 4, 2020 public hearing was posted at City Hall, near the subject site, and on the 'Public Notices' section of the city's website; was delivered for posting at the Pittsburg Library; and was mailed via first class or electronic mail to the applicant, to the property owner, to owners of property located within 300 feet of the project site, and to individuals who had previously filed written request for such notice, in accordance with Pittsburg Municipal Code (PMC) section 18.14.010 and Government Code section 65091.
- E. PMC section 18.84.205(F), Exceptions to Fence Height Regulations, allows for the maximum allowable fence height to be increased through the issuance of a fence height exception approved by the Zoning Administrator. In order to approve a fence height exception, the Zoning Administrator must make findings (PMC section 18.84.205.F.2) that the proposed fence structures:

- 1. will not infringe upon the light, air circulation, or visual openness of surrounding properties;
- 2. will not detract, impair or destroy the characteristics of the established area; and.
- 3. will not be detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of persons residing or working in or adjacent to the area or neighborhood of such structure.
- F. PMC section 18.84.850, "Tree Removal Permit Procedure and Requirements," allows for the removal of protected native and non-native trees through the issuance of a tree removal permit approved by the Zoning Administrator. Pursuant to PMC section 18.84.854(E), in order to approve the removal of protected trees, the Zoning Administrator must find that either:
  - the condition of the tree or trees with respect to disease, danger of falling and the potential for endangering other nearby trees warrants removal and such condition represents a risk to public health and safety and cannot be reasonably remedied through less drastic measure; or
  - 2. the burden to the applicant in preserving the tree or trees greatly outweighs the tree's or trees' benefit to the public or environment; or
  - 3. part of a development plan, subdivision or other discretionary project, preservation of the tree or trees will severely reduce the scale or feasibility of the development.
- G. On February 4, 2020, the Zoning Administrator held a public hearing on Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit Application No. 19-1453, at which time oral and/or written testimony was considered.

#### Section 2. Findings

- A. Based on all the information contained in the Planning Division files on this project, incorporated herein by reference and available for review in the Planning Division located at 65 Civic Avenue in Pittsburg, and based on all oral and written testimony presented at the public hearing, the Zoning Administrator finds that:
  - 1. All recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.
  - 2. The proposed fence will not infringe upon the light, air circulation, or visual openness of surrounding properties, in that it will be located along public right-of-ways which will continue providing adequate light, air, and openness between adjacent properties.
  - 3. The proposed fence will not detract, impair or destroy the characteristics of the

- established area, in that it will be constructed in a sound and workmanlike fashion using newer, high-quality materials, consistent with other fences in the neighborhood.
- 4. The proposed fence will not be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of persons residing or working in or adjacent to the area or neighborhood, in that the new fencing will allow for increased privacy and security for both the applicant and adjoining neighbors; and not affect sight lines for driver safety with its distance setback from the adjacent streets.
- 5. The burden to the applicant, in preserving the trees greatly outweighs the trees' benefits to the public or environment and a condition of approval requiring the applicant to provide replacement trees of adequate size will sufficiently mitigate the removal of the protected trees, pursuant to PMC section 18.84.855.

#### Section 3. Decision

- A. Based on the findings set forth above, the Zoning Administrator hereby approves Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit Application No. 19-1453, subject to the following conditions.
  - 1. Site Plan. The proposed fence shall be installed in substantial conformance with the site plan date-stamped January 27, 2020, except as may be modified by the conditions below.
  - 2. Fence Maintenance. The fence shall always be maintained erect and in a state of good repair. Any dilapidated, dangerous, or unsightly fence or wall shall be repaired, replaced, or removed, as the situation may warrant.
  - 3. Property Maintenance. The entire site including paved, unpaved, and landscaped areas must be kept in a neat and orderly manner, free of weeds loose trash, debris, and other litter.
  - 4. Gated Access. The gated entrance at Gladstone Drive shall remain open during business hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  - 5. Prior to removal of the protected trees, the applicant shall submit either of the following:
    - a. Payment of in-lieu fees equal to the replacement trees' value, installation costs and one year of maintenance costs, as calculated with a 12-to-one ratio of 15-gallon trees; or
    - b. A site plan showing where replacement trees, as required by PMC section 18.84.855(A), are to be located. If choosing this option, the

applicant shall install the replacement trees within one year of the date of approval of the replacement plan.

#### **Standard Conditions:**

- 6. Construction. All site development shall comply with Title 15 (Building and Construction) of the Pittsburg Municipal Code.
- 7. Other Agency Requirements. The applicant shall comply with all requirements of the Pittsburg Building and Engineering Divisions, the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, and all other applicable local, state and federal agencies. It is the responsibility of the business owner to contact each local, state, or federal agency for requirements that may pertain to this project.
- 8. Standard Conditions. The Standard Conditions of Development as adopted by the Pittsburg Planning Commission by Resolution No. 8931 shall apply as conditions of approval for this project as applicable. Where there is a conflict between this resolution and the Standard Conditions of Development, this Zoning Administrator resolution shall govern.
- 9. Indemnification. Applicant agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents and consultants from any and all administrative, legal or equitable actions or other proceedings instituted by any person challenging the validity of this project approval, subsequent project approval, or other action arising out of, or in connection with, this project approval. The parties shall cooperate in defending such action or proceeding. The parties shall use reasonable efforts to select mutually agreeable defense counsel but, if the parties cannot reach agreement, City may select its own legal counsel at applicant's sole cost and expense. Applicant may select its own legal counsel to represent applicant's interests at applicant's sole cost and expense. Applicant shall pay for City's costs of defense, whether directly or by timely reimbursement to City on a monthly basis. Such costs shall include, but not be limited to, all court costs and attorney's fees expended by City in defense of any such action or other proceeding, plus staff and City Attorney time spent responding to and defending the claim, action or proceeding.
- 10. Expiration. This approval will expire on February 4, 2021, unless an encroachment permit has been issued or a written request for extension is filed with the Planning Division prior to the expiration date and subsequently approved by the Zoning Administrator. The approval shall be valid for no more than six months from the date of permit issuance, unless work is commenced and diligently pursued prior to the expiration of the permit.

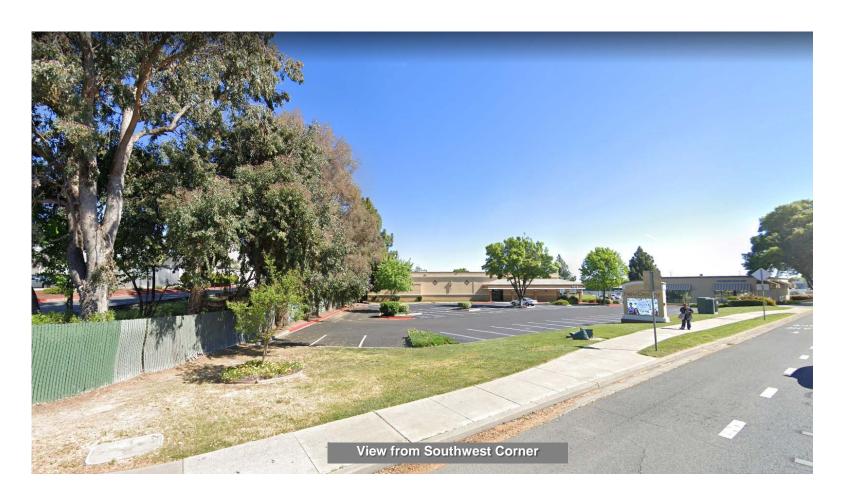
#### Section 4. Effective Date

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption of this resolution.

Zoning Administrator of the City of Pittsburg, California.							
	KRISTIN POLLOT, AICP						
	ZONING ADMINISTRATOR						

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted the  $4^{th}$  day of February, 2020, by the

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Site Photos



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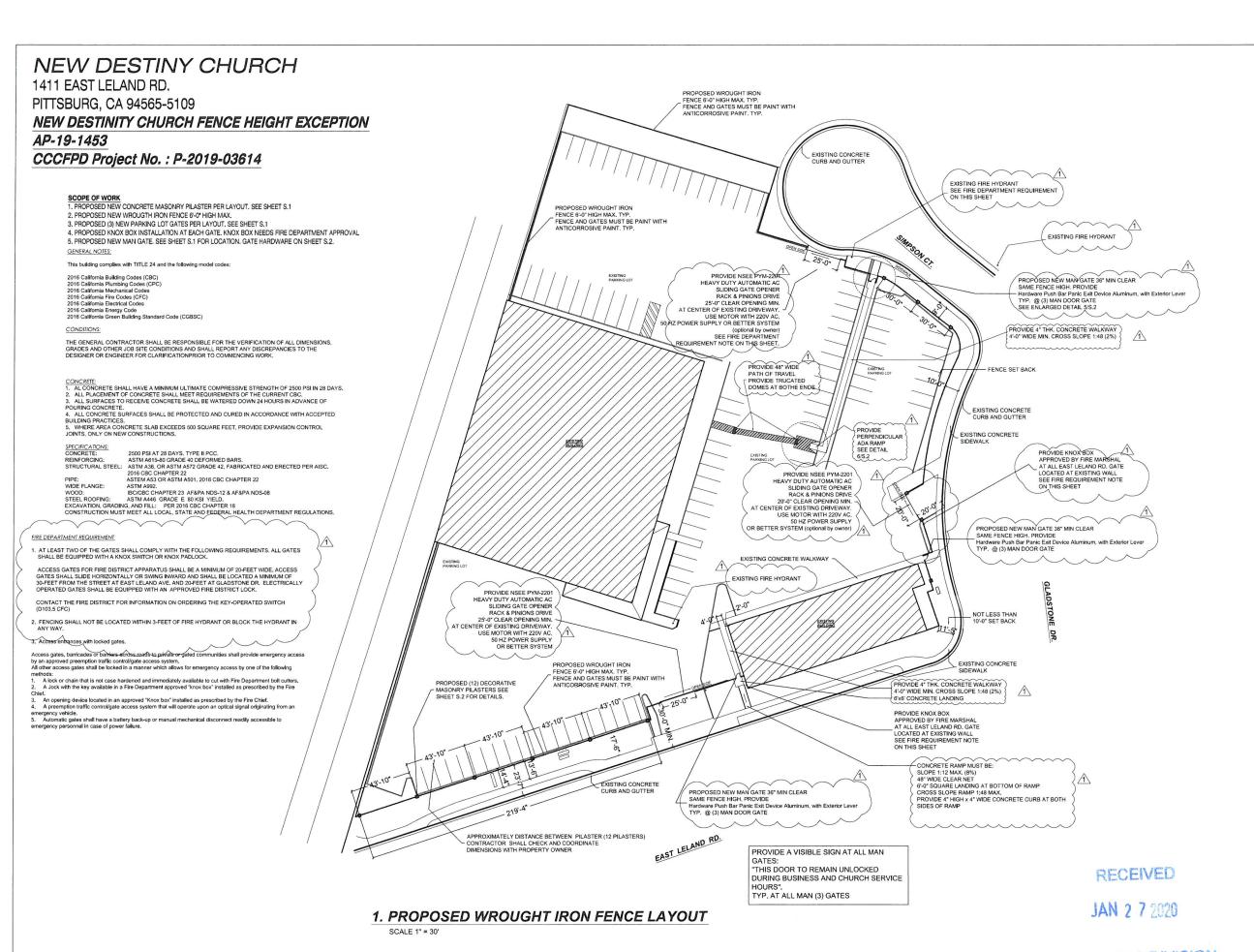


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# Attachment 3 Map of Surrounding Uses





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ADD. SHEET S.3 10-09-2019 RESCUE AREA @ PARKING LOT	EEM				

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#### NEW DESTINY CHURCH

NEW DESTINY CHURCH FENCE HEIGHT EXCEPTION 1411 E. LELAND RD. PITTSBURG

AP-19-1453 CCCFPD Project No.: P-2019-03614

#### PROJECT OWNER &

NEW DESTINY CHURCH 1411 EAST LELAND RD. PITTSBURG, CA 94565-5109

APN 088-570-014-6 088-570-002-1 088-570-004-7

#### TRACT 5854 LOTS 3 & 5

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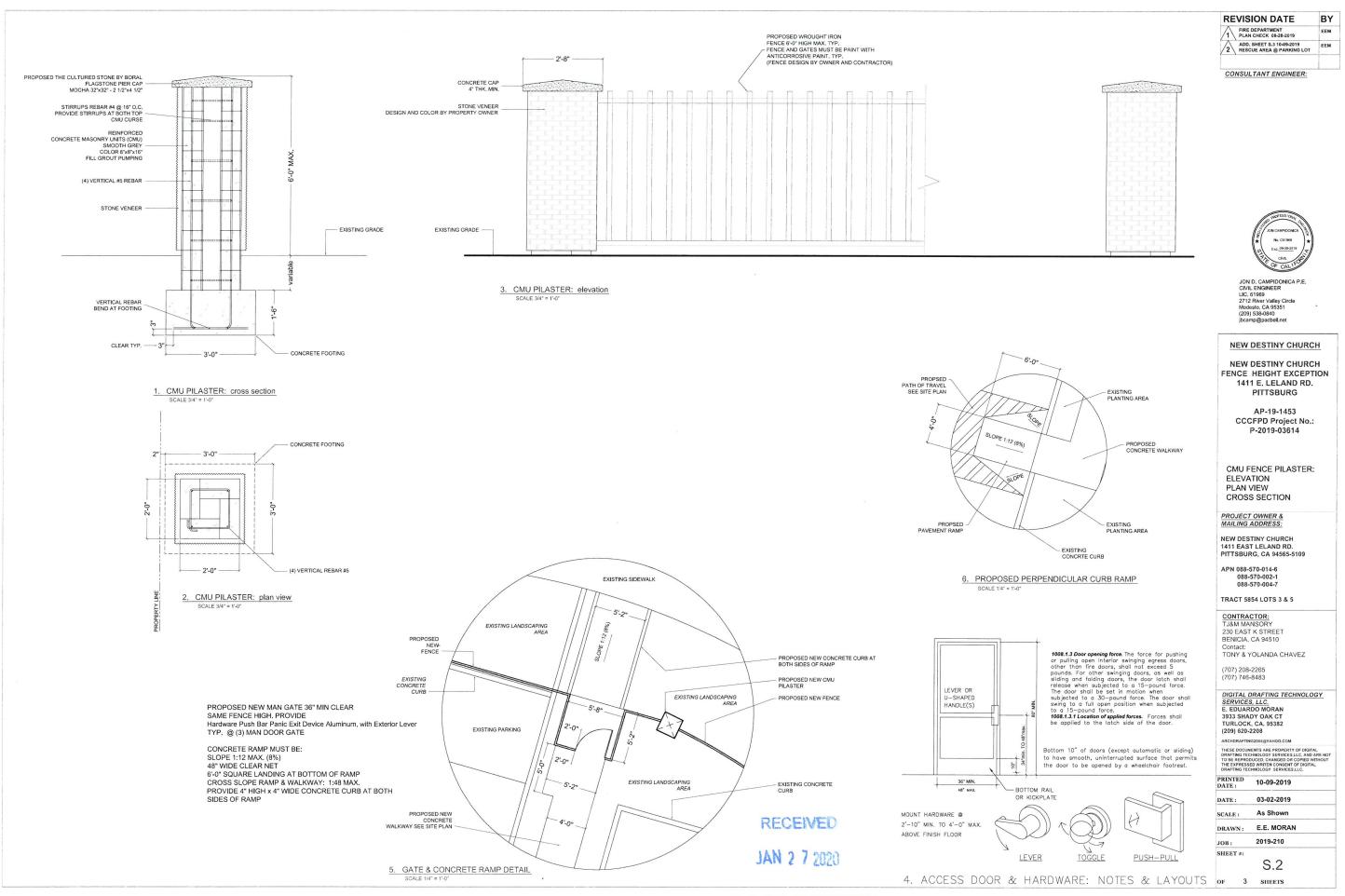
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AP-19-1453 CCCFPD Project No.: P-2019-03614

#### PROJECT OWNER & MAILING ADDRESS:

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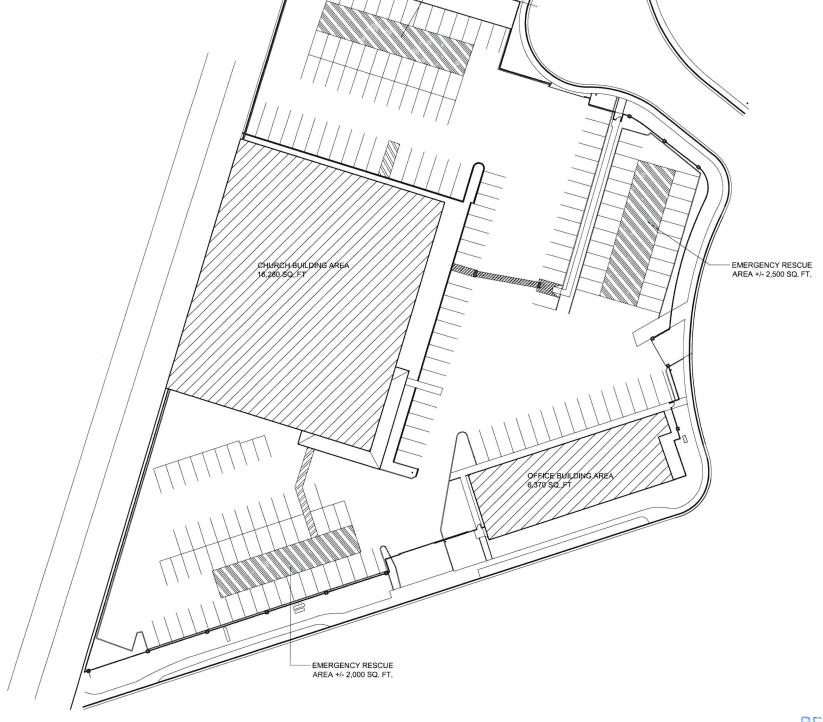
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1. EMERGENCY FIRE RESCUE AREA AT PARKING LOT

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October 31, 2019

Gail Knowles
New Destiny, Inc.
Pittsburg, CA 94565
925-439-8989 | gknowles@newdestiny.online

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#### Re: Arborist Report for New Destiny Church, 1411 E. Leland Road, Pittsburg

Dear Gail.

Per your request, I visited the New Destiny Church to assess trees that would be affected by the proposed fence project. Per our email and on-site discussion, I focused on twelve trees on the property that are proposed for removal.



Figure 1. Twelve trees (eucalyptuses #262-267 shown above) are in conflict with the proposed fence and will need to be removed.

#### Project Summary

The church property encompasses the parcel northwest of the Gladstone Drive & E Leland Road intersection. The church building is located at the center of the property against the west property line, and a smaller commercial building sits at the southeast corner. Both structures are entirely surrounded by parking lot, with landscaping confined to small planters.

The site is currently open and accessible via three entrances. The proposed project will install fencing around the entire property, with concrete pilaster walls along E. Leland Road. New gates will be installed at the three entrances, and a man gate will be installed off Simpson Court. The trees discussed within this arborist report are located in the path of the proposed fence and will need to be removed for its construction.

#### **Assumptions & Limitations**

This report is based on my site visit on 10/24/19 and the proposed wrought iron fence layout plan by Digital Drafting Technology Services LLC dated 3/2/19. It was assumed that the proposed improvements were accurately surveyed. The trees were not surveyed, so I approximately located them on my tree inventory plan. Since my tree locations are approximate, I defer to the removal request per Church staff, assuming the fencing contractor identified these trees as conflicts.

The health and structure of the trees were assessed visually from ground level. No drilling, root excavation, or aerial inspections were performed. Internal or non-detectable defects may exist and could lead to part or whole tree failures. Due to the dynamic nature of trees and their environment, it is not possible for arborists to guarantee that trees will not fail in the future.

#### **Tree Inventory & Assessment Table**

#s: Each tree was given a square metal tag with numbers ranging from #255-267 (#260 tag was missing). Their locations are given in the tree location plan.

**DBH** (Diameter at Breast Height): Trunk diameters in inches were measured at 4.5' above average grade with a diameter tape. Diameters were estimated when trunks were flush to the fence and prevented measurement.

#### Health & Structural Condition Rating

**Dead:** Dead or declining past chance of recovery.

**Poor (P):** Stunted or declining canopy, poor foliar color, possible disease or insect issues. Severe structural defects that may or may not be correctable. Usually not a reliable specimen for preservation.

**Fair (F)**: Fair to moderate vigor. Minor structural defects that can be corrected. More susceptible to construction impacts than a tree in good condition.

**Good (G):** Good vigor and color, with no obvious problems or defects. Generally more resilient to impacts.

**Dripline:** Canopy radius was visually estimated in each cardinal direction if the canopy was asymmetrical; otherwise the canopy diameter was estimated.

#### Age

Young (Y): Within the first 20% of expected life span. High resiliency to encroachment.

Mature (M): Between 20% - 80% of expected life span. Moderate resiliency to encroachment.

Overmature (OM): In >80% of expected life span. Low resiliency to encroachment.

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Action	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.	Remove.
Comments	Sparse canopy with large diameter dieback. Co-dominant stems at 10. Narrow planter. Base of trunk flush to fence. In proposed fence.	Cracking curb. Co-dominant stems with narrow attachment at 10' and elongated scaffold branches. Pushing against fence. In proposed fence.	Trunk flush to fence; DBH estimated. Secondary branch broke at 12; half of canopy lost. Remaining half is imbalanced/heavy over neighboring property. In proposed fence.	Canopy raised to half of height. Co-dominant tops. Elongated lower scaffold branches. 2' from proposed gate podium and concrete walkway.	Canopy raised to half of height. Elongated lower scaffold branches. In proposed fence.	Large vertical scaffold branch at 15'. Proposed fence 4' from tree.	Nearly dead, remaining foliage is epicormic sprouts. Codominant stems at 7'. Cracked curb. In proposed fence.	Very sparse canopy. Fence flush to base of trunk. In proposed fence.	In proposed fence.	DBH estimated; trunk flush to fence. Half dead & remaining canopy is sparse. Co-dominant stems at 8'; one scaffold branch dead. In proposed fence.	Base of trunk flush to fence. South scaffold branch dead; sparse canopy. Phototropic lean to NE. In proposed fence.	Base of trunk flush to fence. Sparse canopy. Lifting curb and asphalt. Multiple stems at 15'; scaffold branches tall & elongated with little branching. In proposed fence.
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#### **Discussion**

Trees #255-257, 259 & 262-267 are all in the proposed fence and cannot be saved. Two Canary Island pines are not in the direct line of the fence but were also identified as conflicts by the Church staff. Tree #258 is 2' from the proposed concrete walkway & fence, while tree #261 is 4' away. I also reviewed Google Street View imagery and found that the existing parking lot next to these trees used to be landscape but was paved within the last 2 years



Figure 2. Pines #258, 259, and 261 (left to right) are in or within 4' of the proposed fence. The parking lot in the center was recently constructed.

(Figure 2). Paving would have removed the majority of the smaller surface roots, which are important for absorption of water and nutrients, and subjected the remaining roots to significant compaction. Construction impacts can take up to a decade to manifest, but I anticipate that these trees will eventually show symptoms of decline. Since the trees were previously affected by construction, I support their removal.

Unless the fencing was moved further into the existing parking lot, outside the existing planters, the trees cannot be saved. This is not a likely or logical option for constructing the new fence.

#### Re: Protected tree status

None of the trees are California native species; the pines are native to the Canary Islands and the eucalyptuses to Australia. All twelve trees may be considered protected trees based on trunk diameter (≥15.6") alone. However, one eucalyptus (#264) is dead, while three other eucalyptuses (#262, 263, 265) are in poor condition & do not provide benefits expected of trees their size. Their removal would not create a significant deficit in tree canopy & screening, since there is a parallel line of trees on the neighbor's property. The final determination is to be made by the city planner, but in



Figure 3. Trees #262 & 263 are in very poor condition (canopies shown are actually from off-site trees) and should not be considered "protected".

my opinion, the four trees provide insufficient benefit and should not be considered protected trees. The remaining trees offer reasonable benefits and would meet the protected tree criteria.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this report. Please see attached tree location plan.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Tso

Certified Arborist #WE-10270A Tree Risk Assessor Qualified



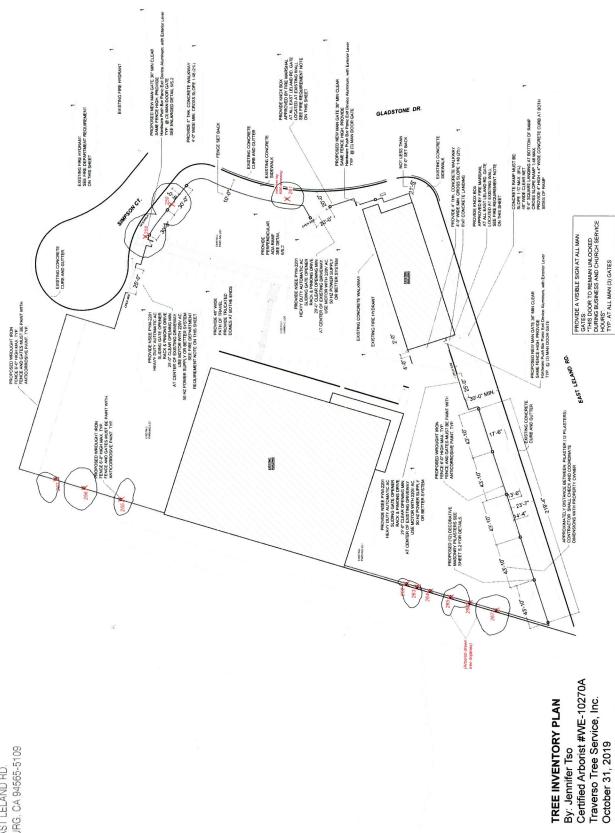
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

1 PLAN CHECK 08-28-2019

CONSULTANT ENGINEER:



NEW DESTINY CHURCH FENCE HEIGHT EXCEPTION 1411 E. LELAND RD. PITTSBURG

AP-19-1453 CCCFPD Project No.: P-2019-03614

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1. PROPOSED WROUGHT IRON FENCE LAYOUT

(drawn on fence layout plan)

TREE INVENTORY PLAN

SCALE:

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Contact: TONY & YOLANDA CHAVEZ

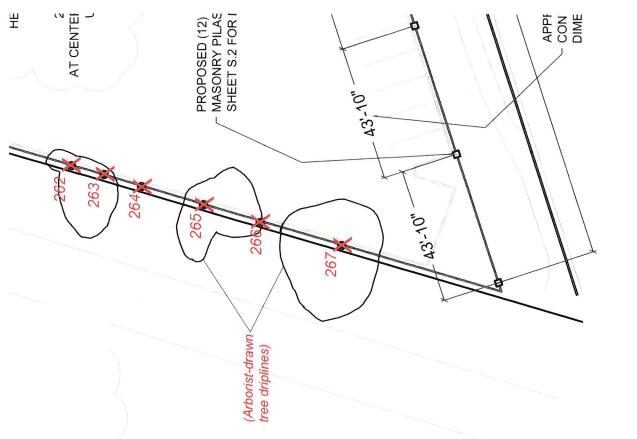
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NEW DESTINY CHURCH 1411 EAST LELAND RD. PITTSBURG, CA 94565-5109

PROJECT OWNER &

TRACT 5854 LOTS 3 & 5 CONTRACTOR: 1J&M MANSORY 230 EAST K STREET BENICIA, CA 94510

APN 088-570-014-6 088-570-002-1 088-570-004-7



# TREE INVENTORY PLAN

By: Jennifer Tso Certified Arborist #WE-10270A Traverso Tree Service, Inc. October 31, 2019 (drawn on fence layout plan)

# 1. PROPOSED 1

SCALE 1" = 30'

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR of the City of Pittsburg** will conduct a public hearing on:

DATE: February 4, 2020

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: First Floor, Conference Room 4B

65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, California

Concerning the following matter:

#### New Destiny Church Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit, AP-19-1453 (ZA).

This is an application by Gail Knowles on behalf of New Destiny Church, requesting Zoning Administrator approval of a fence height exception to allow a six-foot-tall wrought-iron fence within the front and corner side yard setback, where the maximum height permitted is three feet, and a tree removal permit to remove three protected trees. The project is located at 1411 East Leland Road in the CC (Community Commercial) District. Assessor's Parcel Nos. 088-570-002, -004, and -014.

PROJECT PLANNER: John Dacey, (925) 252-4824 or jdacey@ci.pittsburg.ca.us

**Why am I receiving this notice?** You are receiving this notice because you have either previously requested notifications from the Planning Division, or a project has been proposed in your neighborhood and all property owners within a minimum 300-foot radius of the project site are required to be notified under the Pittsburg Municipal Code.

#### Where can I get more information about this project?

The complete file for this project is available for public inspection at the Planning Division, weekdays during the hours of 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. You can also find out more about the project by contacting the project planner listed above.

#### What can I do if I have comments on the project?

Comments or objections to the project can be made by writing or through oral testimony during the public hearing. Written comments citing the project name may be emailed to the project planner listed above, or may be mailed or delivered to: Pittsburg Planning Division, 65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565. You may also register your comments or objections by attending the public hearing on the date and time listed above.

Pursuant to Section 65009 of the California Government Code, if you challenge this matter in court, you may be limited to those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence on the matter delivered to this agency at, or prior to the public hearing. Any written correspondence delivered to the Planning Division before the hearing body's action on the matter will become a part of the administrative record.

KRISTIN POLLOT, AICP, ZONING ADMINSTRATOR CITY OF PITTSBURG

Project Title: New Destiny Church Fence Height Exception and Tree Removal Permit, AP-19-1453 (ZA).

**Location:** 1411 E. Leland Road, APNs: 088-570-002, -004, -014

