



TITLE: Replacement Tree for Library Park Tree

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Select a replacement tree to be planted in Library Park.
2. Alternatively, discuss and take other action related to this item

FISCAL IMPACT:

A 36" box replacement tree will cost \$450 and \$600. Any larger tree size will vary in cost due to contractor installation with crane equipment.

BACKGROUND:

A mature Canary Island Pine tree donated by the El Segundo Women's Club (1930) located at Library Park died and was removed March 3, 2025, by West Coast Arborists.

DISCUSSION:

Staff is recommending that the Recreation and Parks Commission select a replacement tree for the Canary Island Pine tree that was removed in March 2025.

Optional trees that may be considered:

Norfolk Island Pine

The Norfolk Island Pine is an evergreen tree with moderate growth rate to 100 ft. tall and 60 ft. wide. The tree has a pyramidal shape, bright green foliage and resembles the shape of the tree that was removed.

Brisbane Box

The Brisbane Box tree is a large evergreen tree with moderate to fast growth rate to 45 ft. tall and 25 ft. wide. The tree features reddish-brown bark flaking off to light colored bark beneath, oval bright green leaves 4-6 inches long and white to cream flowers in summer followed by woody capsules. It does well in lawn areas and is a good shade tree.

California Sycamore

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The California Sycamore is a deciduous California native tree with a fast growth rate up to 80 ft. tall and 25-50 ft. wide. The tree features multiple or leaning trunks with patchy bark in brown, gray and white, and deeply lobed leaves turn dusty brown in the fall. There are several currently in the park near the library building.

Coast Live Oak

The Coast Live Oak is a large evergreen native oak with a round head and dense foliage, to 20-70 ft. tall. The tree features a greater spread, dark grey bark deeply fissured in older trees and dark green leaves 1-3 inches long and appear toothed edge and holly like. The tree produces acorns and has greedy roots. It is considered slow growing and not well adjusted to lawn areas.

CITY STRATEGIC PLAN COMPLIANCE:

Goal 1 Develop and maintain quality infrastructure and technology

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ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1: Tree photos

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Norfolk Island Pine Tree



Brisbane Box
Tree



California Sycamore
Tree



Coast Live Oak Tree