

Fairfax Town Council Minutes
Special Meeting
Fairfax Town Hall
Tuesday, October 16, 2012

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Bragman
Ryan O'Neil
John Reed
David Weinsoff

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT: Pam Hartwell-Herrero

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Anderson, Interim Town Manager

Vice Mayor Reed called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

Discussion/Consideration of the removal of eight trees to facilitate the Pastori Sidewalk Project –
Interim Town Manager

Ray Moritz, Certified Arborist, presented a report and recommendation to remove the eight existing liquid amber trees as soon as possible and to replace them with another species of tree. Mr. Moritz led a discussion of the type of tree that should be planted.

Mark Squire, Good Earth Owner, stated that the existing trees provided protection and screening from the neighbors; suggested that they be left in place to be replaced later to keep the screening; and stated his objection to the removal of the trees.

Rich Hall, Property Manager, Fair-Anselm Center, stated that he wanted to save the existing trees; that they had been planted at the same time as other trees at the Center that hadn't created problems; and that an easement had been granted with the understanding that the trees would remain.

Shelby LaMotte, Landscape Architect for the Center, suggested getting site specific on the individual trees because some were more problematic than others and they might not all have to be removed.

There was a consensus of the Council to replace the existing trees with at least size 24" boxed trees; to work with the adjacent property owners through their Landscape Architect to develop a plan for the landscaping to be supervised by a certified arborist with the specifications to be provided by Ray Moritz; and to display the plan at the site.

M/S, Bragman/O'Neil, Motion to direct staff to draft a resolution for adoption to set out the details of the removal and replacement of the trees at the Pastori Sidewalk Project site.

AYES: Bragman, O'Neil, Reed, Weinsoff
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hartwell-Herrero

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Anderson, Town Clerk