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ARBORIST REPORT

Location: 1026 Lois Ave Sunnyvale CA 94087, at front yard in front of porch

Basic Tree Information: Maple, 56 years old, 50 Ft High and 30 Inch DBH

Nature of work: Evaluate if the tree should be protected or removed with a new construction.

Health Condition: Fair

Excellent - A healthy, vigorous tree, reasonably free of disease, with good structure and form typical of the species.

Good - A tree with slight decline in vigor, small amount of twig dieback, minor structural defects that could be corrected.

Fair - A tree with low vigor, small to median branch dieback, thinning of crown, poor leaf color, moderate structural defects.

Poor - A tree in decline, epicormic growth, extensive dieback of medium to large branches, significant structural defects that cannot be abated.

The tree was previously topped, large epicormic shoot weakly attached. Decay present in main trunk, about 4 feet from the ground.

SITE SUITABILITY: Poor

The tree's main trunk is about 3 inch away from the porch and the exposed roots are interfering with the porch. One side of the crown is on top of the house.

ARBORIST RECOMMENDATION: Removal

I believe this tree qualifies for an exemption from protection. Decay in main trunk creates high risk and potential hazard to people and the property. Moreover, the tree is too close to the current house and the drive way. In my opinion, this tree is structurally unsound and will be very difficult to maintain its present health and structure condition with any construction work. The removal of the tree's impact to the microclimate will be minor, as there are many other trees on the property and nearby. According to Mr. Gao, the owner, he will plant two 36' box trees after removing this tree, which will help to keep the shade for the neighborhood.

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