

County of Santa Clara Planning Commission,

We, Kevin Eshleman and Cydney Eshleman are writing to appeal the tree removal permit for the neighbor at 18525 Vina Dr. Los Gatos, Ca. 95033 to remove 1 large multi-prong redwood tree and 1 large oak tree. Our appeal is based for 3 reasons:

1. Without permits, and without reasonable prior notice to ourselves, the neighbor at 18525 began and successfully removed 2 prongs of a redwood tree and parts of an oak tree. In the process damage was inflicted to the roof of our shed, the septic control panel box, and portions of our fence. At this point the neighbor has still not offered to fix any damages. The contractors name that was given "Empire Remodeling" is the neighbors business and has no experience with tree removal. We are extremely concerned that if granted there is a high probability that our property could incur damage again due to the reckless nature of the neighbor's inability to successfully remove such large trees as demonstrated earlier. A fully certified and insured Arborist is the only such entity that should take on such a task.
2. We see no need for the removal of the redwood tree or oak since our shed is within close proximity to the tree. Also, because of the encroachment agreement that has been established from years ago and the owner of the property at 18525 given prior notice and made fully aware of the mutual encroachments, decided to continue a remodel of his house on our property therefore negating any removal of our shed. We see no need for the removal of the redwood and oak tree because it will have little significance or impact of the two adjoining properties because our shed will continue to stay.
3. Last, we see no justification as to "why" the trees need to be removed in the first place and on what grounds the Planning Commission would issue such permit? What reasons were given by the owner and what are their intentions for needing them removed? After reviewing the neighbors site plans that were given to us by the planning commission it is evident there is no need to remove the trees because they have no plan to use that space.

Sincerely,

Kevin and Cydney Eshleman
18531 Vina Dr.
Los Gatos, Ca. 95033

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cydney Eshleman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name and address.