

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: December 17, 2021

TO: James Harris, City Planning Associate
Department of City Planning

**FROM:** Hector Banuelos, Street Tree Superintendent I
Bureau of Street Services, Urban Forestry Division

SUBJECT: VTT-83088 – 1445 & 1447 N. Cole Pl.

In regard to your request for review of this case regarding Urban Forestry requirements, it is our recommendation that:

1. STREET TREES

- a. Project shall preserve all healthy mature street trees whenever possible. All feasible alternatives in project design should be considered and implemented to retain healthy mature street trees. A permit is required for the removal of any street tree and shall be replaced 2:1 as approved by the Board of Public Works and Urban Forestry Division.
- b. Plant street trees at all feasible planting locations within dedicated streets as directed and required by the Bureau of Street Services, Urban Forestry Division. All tree plantings shall be installed to current tree planting standards when the City has previously been paid for tree plantings. The subdivider or contractor shall notify the Urban Forestry Division at: (213) 847-3077 upon completion of construction for tree planting direction and instructions.

Note: Removal of street trees requires approval from the Board of Public Works. All projects must have environmental (CEQA) documents that appropriately address any removal and replacement of street trees. Contact Urban Forestry Division at: (213) 847-3077 for tree removal permit information.

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