Urban Forestry Council
Landmark Tree Evaluation Form and Criteria

Pursuant to Ordinance 0017-06 and Public Works Code Section 810, the UFC has developed these criteria for evaluating potential landmark trees in San Francisco. When evaluating or considering potential landmark trees, please consider the context of the tree within its site location. For example, a tree on PUC land may not have the same community importance that a street or park tree would. Use comment sections, as appropriate, to explain or support evaluation. Attach sheets if more space is needed.

Evaluator's name: Damon Spigelman

Date of evaluation: 9-14-18

Scientific name: Metrosideros Robusta

Common name: Northern Rata

Street address: 1776 Vallejo Street

Cross streets: Gough

Rarity   ___ Yes   ___ Partially   ___ No

Rarity: ____Rare   ____Uncommon   ____Common   ____Other
Unusual species in San Francisco or other geographic regions.
Comment: _____

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Physical Attributes   _X__ Yes   ___ Partially   ___ No

Size: ____Large   __X__Medium   ____Small
Notable size compared to other trees of the same species in San Francisco.

Comment: _This is the largest tree visible form the sidewalk on this
street._____

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Age: __X__Yes____No
Significantly advanced age for the species.
Comment: ___adwanced age for this variety in an urban
setting._____

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Distinguished form: _X___Yes   ____No
Tree is an example of good form for its species, has a majestic quality or otherwise unique structure.
Describe: _____

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Tree condition: _X___Good   ____Poor   ____Hazard
Consider overall tree health and structure, and whether or not tree poses a hazard
Describe: __Tree has good structure and canopy is full with minimal dead wood present, observed decay in lateral over sidewalk. I would advise having integrity of stem evaluated for safety.

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Historical   _X__ Yes   ___ Partially   ___ No

Historical Association: __X__ Yes   ____ None apparent
Related to a historic or cultural building, site, street, person, event, etc.
Describe nature of appreciation: __Tree is planted in a registered Historical building site, this home
dated back to 1875 with the owner being a San Francisco mayor.
__https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ephraim_Willard_Burr __https://noehill.com/sf/landmarks/sf031.asp
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Profiled in a publication or other media: __X__Yes   ____Unknown
Tree has received coverage in print, internet, video media, etc. **Attach documentation** if appropriate.
Describe coverage: _____

__http://www.sftrees.com/landmark-trees/
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Environmental   __X_ Yes   ___ Partially   ___ No

Prominent landscape feature: __X__Yes   ____No
A striking and outstanding natural feature.
Describe, attach photo if possible: _Tree adds character to the home by framing in the western portion
of the residence. _____

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Low tree density: ____Low   __X__Moderate   ____High
Tree exists in a neighborhood with very few trees.
Describe: Street has multiple varieties of trees planted but not extremally
dense._____

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Interdependent group of trees: ____Yes   __X__No
This tree in an integral member of a group of trees and removing it may have an adverse impact on adjacent trees.
Describe: __Single tree in this location, it does not support any other existing trees in the vacinity._____

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Visible or Accessible from public right-of-way: _X___Yes   ____No
High visibility and/or accessibility from public property.

Describe: ___Tree is located adjacent to the sidewalk and the street is a high foot traffic location
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High traffic area: _X___Yes   ____No
Tree is located in an area that has a high volume of vehicle, pedestrian or bike traffic and has a potential traffic calming effect.
Describe: _____

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Important wildlife habitat: _X___Yes   ____No
Species has a known relationship with a particular local wildlife species or it provides food, shelter, or nesting to specific known wildlife individuals. No visible nesting visible, but this is not to say that this tree does not have the potential for
habitiat._____
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Erosion control: ____Yes   _X___No
Tree prevents soil erosion.
Describe: __Tree is located between a concreted driveway that offers no erosion properties.
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Wind or sound barrier: __X__Yes   ____No
Tree reduces wind speed or mitigates undesirable noise.
Describe: The tree canopy and placement provides wind and sound
barrier/._____

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<u>Cultural</u>   __X_ Yes   ___ Partially   ___ No

Neighborhood appreciation: ____ Yes   __X__None apparent
Multiple indicators such as letters of support, petition, outdoor gatherings, celebrations adjacent or
related to tree, etc. Attach documentation:
Describe: _____

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Cultural appreciation: ____Yes   X____None apparent
Particular value to certain cultural or ethnic groups in the city.
Describe nature of appreciation: _____

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Planting contributes to neighborhood character: _X___Yes   ____No
Tree contributes significantly to, or represents, neighborhood aesthetic.
Describe contribution: __This tree adds a visible quality to the street and the
home._____

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Profiled in a publication or other media: X____Yes   ____Unknown
Tree has received coverage in print, internet, video media, etc. **Attach documentation** if appropriate.
Describe coverage: __http://www.sftrees.com/landmark-trees/
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Additional comments

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