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The owner of the property at 1308 Maltman Avenue, located in the Silver Lake-Echo Park-Elysian Valley Planning Area, recently applied for a Small Lot Subdivision for the development of three single family homes.

As part of the approval process for this application the City required that three mature street trees located on Maltman Avenue be removed. Not only is the applicant desirous of retaining the trees for aesthetic purposes, but the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council has voiced its support for saving the trees.

Filing a formal appeal with the City to save the trees would impose lengthy time delays on the completion of this project and would result in significant additional costs for the property owner. The owner has requested that the City remove the condition leading to the removal of the trees. Saving the trees is supported by the community and would help to preserve the City's urban forest, and the proposed housing development is in keeping with the low-density nature of the area.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that to ensure the preservation of the three street trees on Maltman Avenue that the Planning Department be directed to waive roadway improvements relative to the property at 1308 Maltman Avenue, and that the property owner be required to improve Maltman Avenue adjoining the subdivision by repairing or replacing any broken or off-grade curb, gutter and sidewalk.

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