

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Santa Clara

County Clerk Recorder's Office

110 W. Tasman Dr, San Jose CA 95134

From: (Public Agency): City of Cupertino
10300 Torre Ave.

Cupertino, CA 95014

(Address)

Project Title: TR-2026-021

Project Applicant: Punit Jain

Project Location - Specific:

1195 Yorkshire Ct.

Project Location - City: Cupertino

Project Location - County: Santa Clara

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Tree Removal Application for the removal of one (1) covenant-protected 13-inch DBH *Morus alba* (Fruitless White Mulberry) privacy planting tree, originally required by DIR-2013-012 to screen 2nd story windows on the west side of the residence at 1195 Yorkshire Drive. The neighboring property owner to the west at 1191 Yorkshire Drive provided a letter supporting the removal of the White Mulberry and stating that existing privacy trees on the west side including two *Arbutus unedo* Strawberry trees (trees #72) and a *Ligustrum japonicum* 'Texanum' (Wax Leaf Privet) (hedge #1) provide sufficient privacy.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Cupertino

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Punit Jain (punitja@yahoo.com)

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15269);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 4, Section 15304
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Removal of one White Mulberry privacy planting tree at a single-family residence is consistent with Cupertino Municipal Code Findings CMC 14.18.180(A)(1) as it is growing close to the residence and can cause potential damage to existing essential structures and cannot be controlled or remedied through reasonable relocation or modification of the structure.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Catherine Tarone Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 408-777-3297

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Catherine Tarone Date: 6/9/2026 Title: Permit Technician

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____