June 19, 2018

Dear Property Owner/Resident,

As part of curb, gutter, and/or sidewalk repairs planned adjacent to your property, the City Street Trees have been initially evaluated by a city arborist. The City of Napa's goal is to preserve all Street Trees. The street work is scheduled to begin during the month of July.

Trees requiring removal will have a yellow Public Notice tree removal placard attached to the trunk facing the street. These tree removals are being performed as part of this city project. They either have been found to be causing damage to public infrastructure or the tree is causing persistent sidewalk and ADA safety concerns in addition to being in poor health or at the end of their life. These issues cannot be mitigated by practical and reasonable options as determined by an arborist.

Areas of very extensive tree root pruning required to repair the curb, gutter and sidewalk will necessitate some tree removals. Removal of a significant portion of the anchoring roots would likely result in tree failure. Municipal Code Section 12.44.030 requires that a replacement tree is to be planted by the City for any tree removed provided there is adequate space and no conflicts with utilities.

We will be replanting these trees with Chinese Pistache trees. Chinese Pistache are a medium size tree that are disease resistant, drought tolerant and produces excellent fall color.

If you have any landscape plants, planters or hardscape improvements such as rock, brick or pavers in the planter strip adjacent to the tree (that you would like to save), we ask that you remove those materials in advance of our work.

If you have any questions or would like to request a site meeting to review the determination on removal, please contact John Hedderman, Urban Forester at (707) 257-9906, immediately so that a field meeting can be arranged.

Sincerely,

Dave Perazzo,
Parks, Trees and Facilities Manager