CITY OF ENCINITAS PUBLIC NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 2022-21

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Encinitas has adopted Ordinance No. 2022-21 titled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Encinitas, California, Amending Section 15.02.030, Definitions, of Chapter 15.02, Municipal Tree Ordinance, of the Encinitas Municipal Code." Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-21 amends the Section 15.02.030 "Definitions" of Chapter 14.02 of the Municipal Code to expand the current definition of a "Heritage Tree" and add a definition for "Heritage Grove" as follows:

- "Heritage Tree" means a tree of community significance located in the City on public or private property designated by the City in accordance with the following criteria: that is one of the oldest and largest of its species; is of unique form or species; has historic significance due to an association with an historic building, site, street, person or event; or is a defining landmark or significant outstanding feature of a neighborhood. If a group of trees within a neighborhood collectively meet one or more of the Heritage Tree criteria, then that group may be designated a "Heritage Grove" and each tree that is identified individually as a significant part of that Heritage Grove shall be considered a Heritage Tree. The designation of a Heritage Tree and/or Heritage Grove on private property requires the written consent of the private property owner in a form deemed sufficient by the City Attorney.
- "Heritage Grove" means a group of trees that collectively meet one or more of the Heritage Tree criteria.

Ordinance No. 2022-21 was introduced at the Regular City Council meeting held on December 14, 2022, and adopted at the Regular City Council meeting held on January 18, 2023, by the following vote: AYES: Ehlers, Hinze, Kranz, Lyndes; NAYS: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None. The Ordinance is on file in the office of the City Clerk, 505 South Vulcan Avenue and may be viewed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act/Section 504 Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title VI, this agency is an equal opportunity public entity and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, sex, religion, veteran status or physical or mental disability in employment or the provision of service. /Kathy Hollywood, City Clerk