

City of Milpitas Heritage Tree Program



Program goals

- Help raise awareness about the heritage trees in Milpitas, and important contributions they make to the people in Milpitas.
- Recognize and protect individual trees or groves of trees
- Establish in accordance with the Tree and Planting Ordinance in the City of Milpitas Municipal Code



Heritage Tree Designation

- Outstanding specimen
- Oldest or largest tree in the city
- Tree with distinctive form, size, location and/or historical significance



Heritage Tree Designation



- May be requested by any person with written consent of property owner
- Submit *Heritage Tree Nomination Form* to Public Works
- CAC review new requests in January, May and October

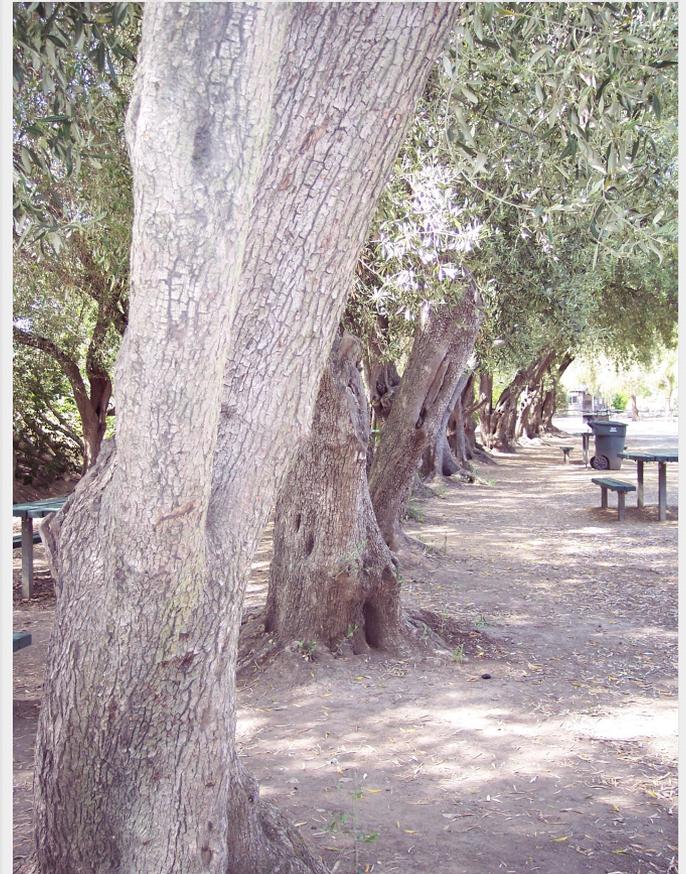
Heritage Tree Designation

- Trees recommended for heritage tree status will be forwarded by the CAC to the City Council for designation
- After City Council approval of a heritage tree, the City Clerk shall notify the property owner(s) in writing.



Heritage Tree Inventory

- Compiled by the Public Works Department and maintained by the City Clerk
- Tree listing may include historical or cultural significance, size, age, valuation and specific location
- A Heritage Tree will be subject to the provisions in the Tree Maintenance and Protection Ordinance



Removal of Heritage Tree Designation



- City Council may remove a tree from the Heritage Tree Inventory by own motion, or recommendation from the CAC
- Property owner must submit request in writing
- Removal request will be reviewed in the same way as a nomination

Heritage Tree Program Designation

Milpitas City Council May 20, 2008

1.	2016 East Calaveras Boulevard Olive Trees	5
2.	248 Arbor Way Eucalyptus Trees	5
3.	40 North Park Victoria Queensland Bottle Tree	1
1.	172 Manferd Street Yucca Tree	1
2.	Starlite Park Eucalyptus Tree	1
3.	Jose Higuera Adobe Park Olive Grove	66
4.	Jose Higuera Adobe Park Walnut Tree	1
5.	Jose Higuera Adobe Park Sycamore Tree	1
6.	Sinnott Park Silk Tree	1
7.	Alviso Adobe Park Sycamore	<u>1</u>
		83 trees

1. 2016 East Calaveras Boulevard Olive Trees



- Nominator: City of Milpitas
- Owner: Sylvia Leung
- Botanical Name: *Olea europaea*
- Common Name: Olive
- Location: Private Property
- Age: 150 years
- DBH: 13" – 27"
- Canopy Spread: 28-35'
- Health: Good
- Significance: These trees are part of Milpitas' historical past. It is estimated that they were planted around 1840 during the original settlement of the Jose Maria Alviso Adobe homestead, which was part of the 4,457 acre Rancho Milpitas.

2. 248 Arbor Way Eucalyptus Trees



- Nominator: City of Milpitas
- Owner representative: Fountain Square HOA
- Botanical Name: *Eucalyptus globulus*
- Common Name: Blue Gum
- Location: Private Property
- Age: 150 years
- DBH: 27-38"
- Canopy Spread:
- Health: Good
- Significance: Native to Australia, and imported in 1856. Over 150 species have been grown in California and Arizona. Interesting bark and form. In this restricted location they create a woody park-like setting.

3. 40 North Park Victoria Queensland Bottle Tree



- Nominator: Bob Burrill & Nelson Kirk
- Owner: Joseph D'Agostino
- Botanical Name: *Bracychiton tuputris*
- Common Name: Queensland Bottle Tree
- Location: Private Property
- Age: 40+
- DBH: 73"
- Canopy Spread: 27'
- Health: Good
- Significance: Evergreen from Queensland and New South Wales, Australia. Tree grows to 30' and has a distinctive bottle shaped trunk and hard seed pod shell. With adequate water, this tree will grow in full sun and any soil.

This future State Champ is located inside a dental office complex patio area, unseen from the street - a well kept secret.

4. 172 Manfred Street Yucca Tree



- Nominator: Bob Burrill
- Owner: Janine Hale
- Botanical Name: *Yucca*
- Common Name: Yucca
- Location: Private Property
- Age: 40+
- DBH: 28 1/2"
- Canopy Spread: 27'
- Health: Good
- Significance: old and unusual specimen with picturesque branching and typical fleshy trunk.



5. 40 Starlite Park Eucalyptus Tree

- Nominator: Bob Burrill
- Owner: City of Milpitas
- Botanical Name: *Eucalyptus globulus*
- Common Name: Blue Gum
- Location: Starlite Park
- Age: 80+
- DBH: " 72"
- Canopy Spread: 47"
- Health: Good
- Significance: Significance: Native to Australia, and imported in 1856. Over 150 species have been grown in California and Arizona. Interesting bark and form. A specimen tree in a location that can be enjoyed by many.

6. Higuera Adobe Park Olive Grove (66 trees)



Nominator: City of Milpitas

Owner: City of Milpitas

Botanical Name: *Olea europaea*

Common Name: Olive Tree

Location: Higuera Adobe Park

Age: 150+

DBH: var. 6" – 29"

Canopy Spread: var. 15' - 27'

Health: Good

Significance: Historic trees planted as part of the Rancho Tularcitos, a parcel of 4,394 acres granted to Jose Higuera in 1821 by Pablo Vicente de Sola, the last Spanish governor.

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7. Jose Higuera Adobe Park Walnut Tree

- Nominator: City of Milpitas
- Owner: City of Milpitas
- Botanical Name: *Juglan spp.*



- Common Name: Walnut Tree
- Location: Jose Higuera Adobe Park
- Age: 100+
- DBH: 45 1/2"
- Canopy Spread: 105'
- Health: Good
- Significance: The Higuera Adobe was built in 1828. It served as a waystation for travelers between Mission San Jose and Mission Santa Clara. Walnut trees were part of the food source for the early settlers along with cactus and olives, which are also native to the agricultural setting.



8. Jose Higuera Adobe Park Sycamore Tree

Nominator: City of Milpitas

Owner: City of Milpitas

Botanical Name: *Platanus racemosa*

Common Name: Sycamore

Location: Jose Higuera Adobe Park

Age: 100+ years

DBH: 38"

Canopy Spread: 45'

Health: Fair

Significance: Robust native of the California foothills and Coast Ranges. This sycamore grows near streams in the wild and can reach over 80 feet tall. Often seen with multiple or leaning trunks. The bark is patchy with brown, grey and white markings.

9. Sinnott Park Silk Tree

- Nominator: Bob Burrill
- Owner: City of Milpitas

- Botanical Name: *Albizia julibrissin*
- Common Name: Silk Tree
- Location: Sinnott Park
- Age: 60+ years
- DBH: 23"
- Canopy Spread: 75'
- Health: Very good

- Significance: Native to Asia, ranging from Iran to Japan. It has a unique flat-topped canopy and undulating form, with flowers held above the fern-like foliage. Specimen tree - most attractive because it is allowed to assume a natural habit.





10. Alviso Adobe Park Sycamore

Nominator: City of Milpitas

Owner: City of Milpitas

Botanical Name: *Platanus racemosa*

Common Name: Sycamore

Location: Alviso Adobe Park

Age: 150+ years

DBH:38"

Canopy Spread:45'

Health: Fair

Significance: Robust native of the California foothills and Coast Ranges. This sycamore grows near streams in the wild and can reach over 80 feet tall. Often seen with multiple or leaning trunks. The bark is patchy with brown, grey and white markings.