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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPEAL OF TREE PERMIT (OAKLAND ZOO; # T15-00049)

Notice is hereby given that the City Administrator's Office will conduct a public hearing to consider the above action on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at 6:00 pm in Hearing Room # 1 at Oakland City Hall, 1 City Hall Plaza, Oakland CA 94612.

The hearing will be before a City Administrator appointed Hearing Officer, pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code section 12.36.120C, because the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission is on an official recess from July 9, 2015 until September 8, 2015. Moreover, because the City Council is also on official recess from August 1, 2015 until September 4, 2015, the written decision of the Hearing Officer will be a final administrative decision that is not further appealable.

The purpose of the proposed Tree Permit is to facilitate the construction of the expansion to the Oakland Zoo, a City-owned property (and thus City-owned tree removal), consisting of (a) paving of the steep portion of an existing dirt service/maintenance road that travels uphill from the existing veterinary hospital to an area where it levels off near the southwest corner of the planned California Exhibit and (b) constructing the California Exhibit, consistent with the 2011 approved, amended Zoo Master Plan.

Public Works staff will prepare a written Staff Report responding to the appeal, which will be sent electronically via email to Appellants and the Zoo no later than **Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.** and posted on the City's website at www.oaklandpw.com [Look for the "Zoo Tree Permit" link].

Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing and to provide oral comments. If you challenge the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination, or any other City actions/decisions, in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised and evidence presented at the public hearing described above or in written correspondence directed to Ms. Gay Luster at gluster@oaklandnet.com and received electronically via email by 1:00 p.m. on Monday, August 17, 2015; providence

must have been previously raised and included in the appeal itself. Any written comments responding to the Staff Report must also be received electronically by this date/time, so they can be forwarded to the Hearing Officer and other interested parties in advance of the hearing. Written materials submitted after Monday, August 17, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. may not be considered by the Hearing Officer, nor included in the administrative record.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Gay Luster at (510) 615-5934, but such does not substitute for following the procedures/requirements outlined above.

Office of the City Administrator

August 7, 2015