



# CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

## Monthly Report

### Public Works Department Report – June 2020

<b>TO:</b>	Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Robert M. Harary, P.E., Director of Public Works
<b>SUBMITTED ON:</b>	July 15, 2020
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	Chip Rerig, City Administrator

#### **Forest and Beach Commission Meeting of June 11, 2020** (first video-conference meeting)

- Approved recommendation to Council to update tree removal and pruning permit fees.
- Approved removal of Stop Work Order upon additional fees and conditions (Mei).
- Deferred decision on removal of 17 eucalyptus trees pending landscape plan (Overett).
- Discussed format and content of monthly Forester's Report.

#### **Public Works Administration**

- Continued to support Planning and Police by reviewing Outdoor Seating Applications.
- Council approved resolution supporting the realignment of US Bike Route 95 through Carmel.
- Reviewed proposal from Alliant Insurance regarding a Safety Program for the City.
- Researched ordinance and options with City Attorney for use of Parking in Lieu funds.

#### **Environmental Programs**

- June 18th Climate Action Committee meeting was cancelled. Next meeting July 16th.
- Presented to Council significant fee increases by GreenWaste Recovery and the methodology used in calculating the increases.
- Presented to Planning Commission five options for dual trash and recycling containers for the downtown area. Commission and staff recommended dual, ribbon-style metal receptacles.
- Coordinated with PG&E to replace 16 safety streetlights with energy-efficient LED lights.
- Oversaw contractor removing invasive weeds over one acre in MTNP.

#### **Facility Maintenance**

- In response to threats of vandalism, carefully removed Father Serra statues from Camino del Monte/Serra Avenue and Devendorf Park, and placed them safely in storage.
- Coordinated with a volunteer who cleaned and stained the benches at Forest Theater.
- Obtained quotes for repairing Flanders Mansion roof leaks – decided to perform in-house.
- A flagpole lanyard at the Police Station was replaced at no cost.

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### **Project Management**

- City Council rejected all bids received for the Police Building Renovation Project.
- New furniture was set up in the new Harrison Memorial Library Gathering Room.
- The Sunset Center Boiler Replacement Project was tested and completed.
- New Scout House roof shingles were installed.
- PG&E installed and energized their new gas line along Casanova Street, between Ocean and Eighth Avenues. Four new ADA ramps were constructed at Casanova Street intersections.

### **Street Maintenance**

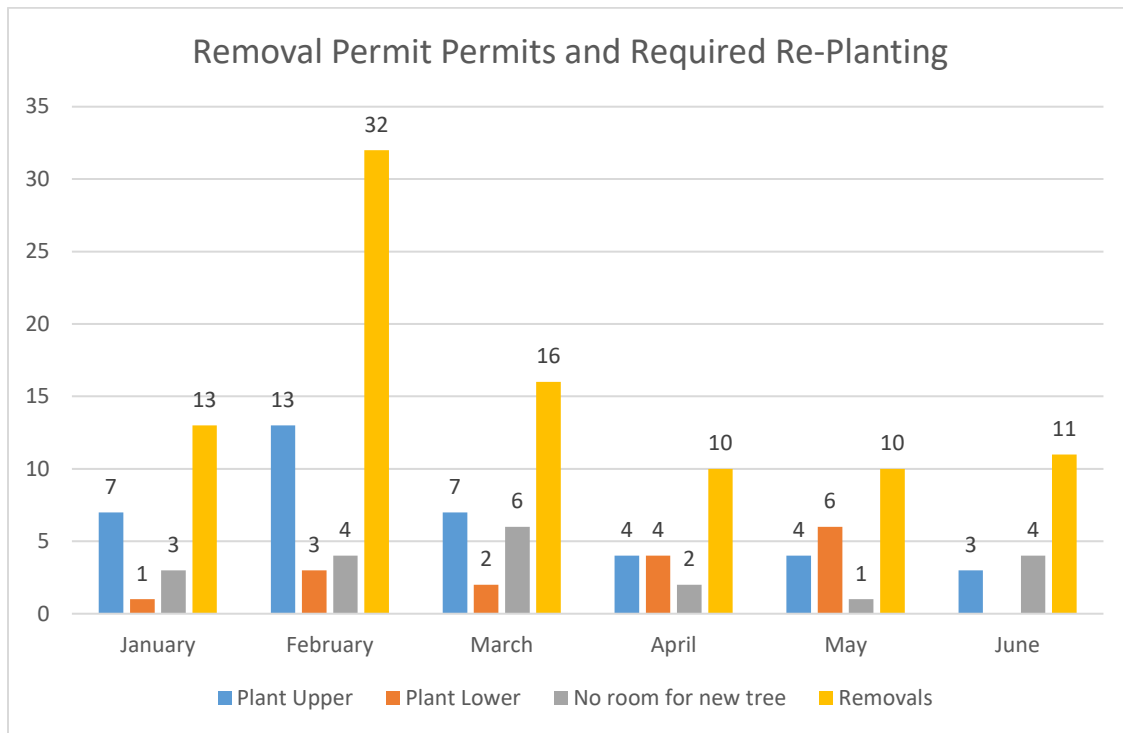
- With Councilwoman Reimers, initiated a sponsorship program for mutt mitt dispensers.
- CDS units were cleaned out by the Carmel Area Waste Water District.
- Installed the remaining nine Bear Saver trash and recycling containers.
- Due to late season storms, cleared out drainage channels and repaired potholes.
- Continued repairing sidewalk uplifts for safety.

### **Forestry, Parks and Beach (Forester's Report)**

- The focus of fieldwork was on essential health and safety issues and included: pruning for clearance of buildings, traffic signs, trucks, and intersections.
- Removed dead and hazardous trees caused by bark beetles, fungus, pitch canker, drought, and storms.
- Friends of Mission Trail Nature Preserve cleared a portion of Doolittle Trail.
- Continued City-wide weed removal which will continue through the summer.
- Landscape maintenance is no longer being performed by a contractor. The work has been distributed between existing staff. This move is saving the City a considerable amount of budget.
- A list of equipment has been created for purchase to enable staff to perform tree work that previously required contracting.
- The TreeKeeper inventory platform is now online. Staff have been recording all tree work in the new platform. TreeKeeper is available for viewing at <https://carmelca.treekeepersoftware.com/index.cfm>

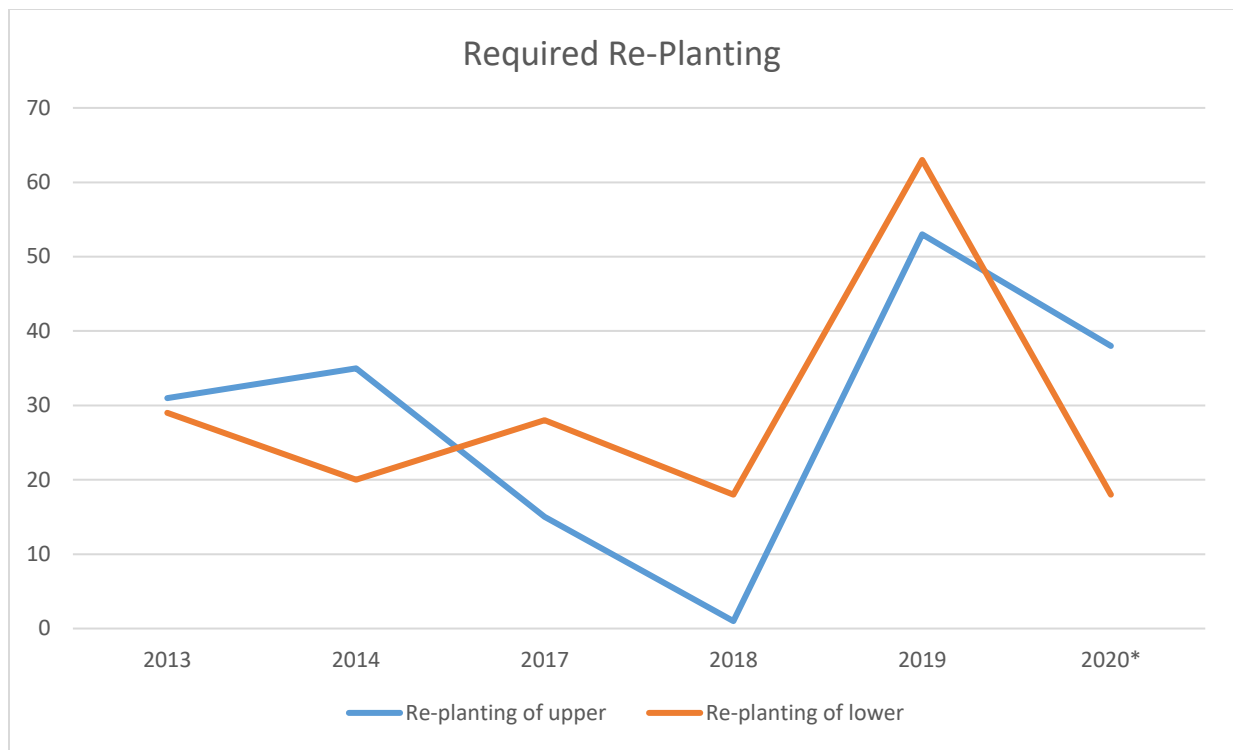
There was one notable failure addressed in June:

- Cypress limb at Alta Avenue and Junipero Avenue



Permitted removals and required planting					
	Removals	Plant Upper	Plant Lower	No room for new tree	Total Number of Trees Required
January	13	7	1	3	8
February	32	13	3	4	16
March	16	7	2	6	9
April	10	4	4	2	8
May	10	4	6	1	10
June	11	3	2	4	5

Historic permitted removals and required planting							
	Removal Permits	Removal of upper	Removal of lower	Re-planting Required	Re-planting of upper	Re-planting of lower	Re-planting %
2012	96			20			20.83%
2013	123	60	63	59	31	29	47.97%
2014	145	64	81	49	35	20	33.79%
2016	90			37			41.11%
2017	119	50	69	43	15	28	36.13%
2018	77	37	60	20	1	18	25.97%
2019	170	107	63	116	53	63	68.24%
2020*	92	38	18	56	38	18	60.87%



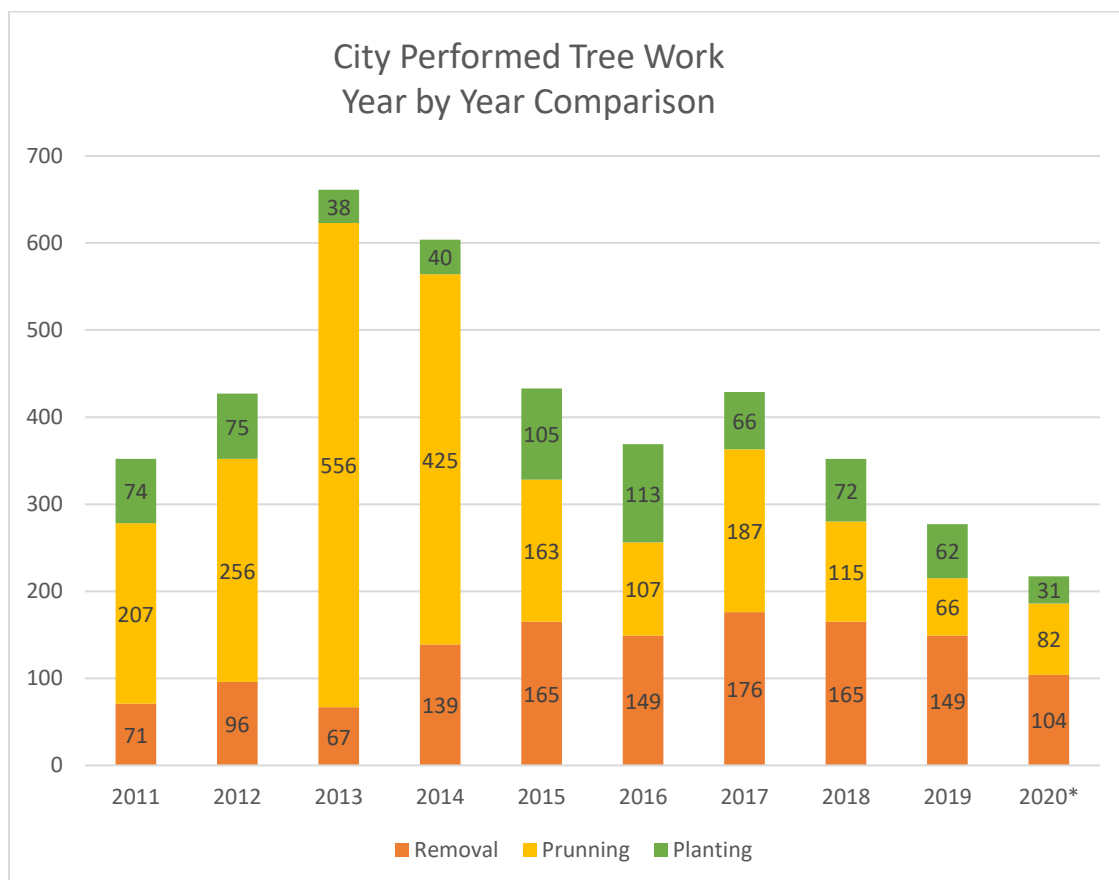
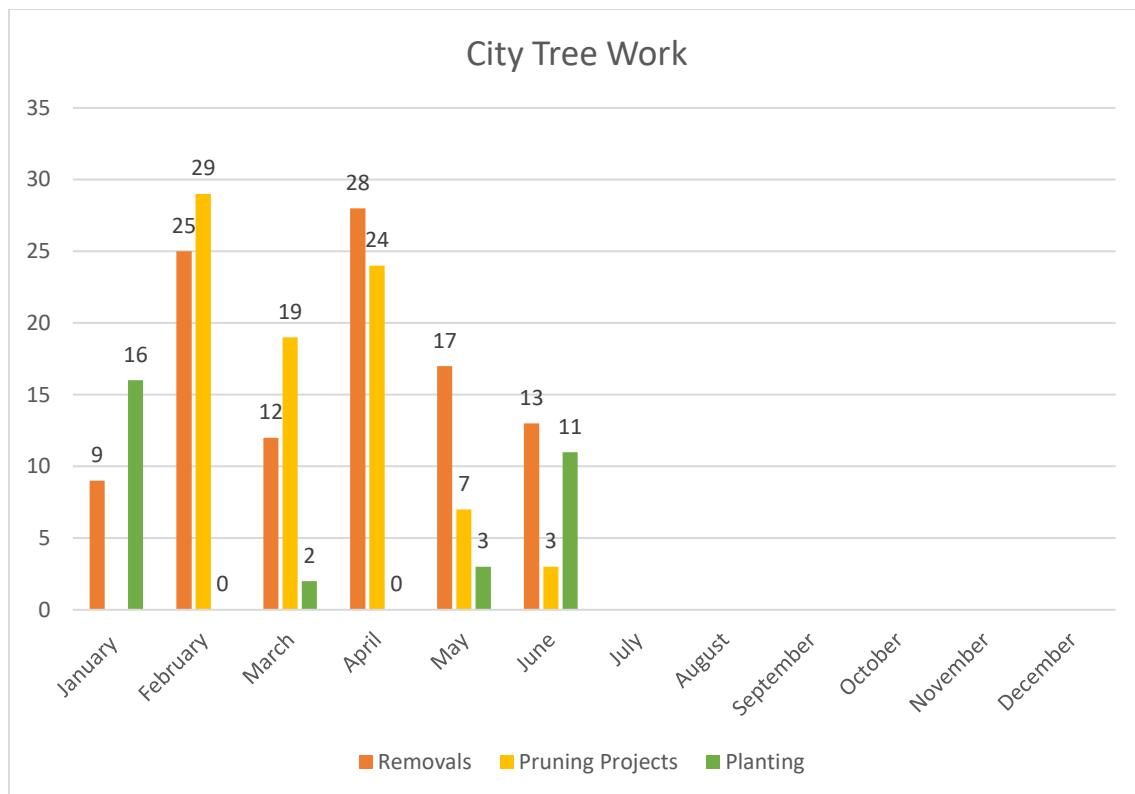
#### Stop Work Orders Issued:

- No Stop Work Orders this month.

### City Forestry, Parks, and Beach Activities

#### City Activities for June:

Work Type	Count
Cavity care	1
Failure - limb	1
Inspections	60
Trees planted	11
Prune	3
Removal	13



## Tree Inventory Update

A total of 2,431 trees have been inventoried as of July 16, 2020. Staff is inventorying trees as work and inspections are performed.

