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### **Meeting Agenda Community Development Committee**

Monday, December 1, 2025

4:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

#### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

#### **ROLL CALL**

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#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-524 Approve Minutes from November 3, 2025, Community Development Committee

Meeting

Attachments: Community Development Committee Minutes 11.3.2025

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

#### 3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

**3A.** 25-483 Ping Pong Tables at Bainbridge Park

Attachments: Ping Pong Tables at Bainbridge Inquiry

**Public Comment** 

25-523 Fort Bragg Tree Planting Update

Attachments: Fort Bragg Tree Planting Update December 2025

#### 4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

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I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am employed by the City of Fort Bragg and that I caused this agenda to be posted in the City Hall notice case on November 25, 2025.

Lisi Horstman Administrative Assistant

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## Meeting Minutes Community Development Committee

Monday, November 3, 2025

4:00 PM

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#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Vice Mayor Rafanan called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm

**ROLL CALL** 

Present: 2 - Jason Godeke and Marcia Rafanan

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**1A.** <u>25-372</u> Approve Minutes from October 6, 2025

Vice Mayor Rafanan and Mayor Godeke approved the minutes as presented.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment: David Gurney

#### 3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

**3B.** <u>25-411</u> Discussion on Fireworks Drone Show

Vice Mayor Rafanan began the discussion to see if the drone show should be brought to City Council. Mayor Godeke asked questions about any existing permits for the fireworks show. Permit Technician Maria Flynn provided clarifying information about the existing permit and requirements for a Coastal Development Permit or a Limited Term Permit.

Public Comment: Jacob Patterson, Chris Skyhawk

The Committee gave direction to staff to survey the public about drone fireworks.

**3C.** <u>25-460</u> Requirements for Story Poles

Associate Planner Sarah Peters gave a report regarding story poles, presented a map where story poles would be required. Mayor Godeke asked clarifying questions.

Associate Planner Peters answered sighting the Code.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Paul Clark, Annemarie Weibel, Jacob Patterson, David Jensen, Guy Barnett, David Gurney

Associate Planner Sarah Peters responded to public comment and questions from the Committee. Mayor Godeke and Vice Mayor Rafanan agreed story poles are needed when required in the code. Committee discussed with staff future direction. Staff will research story poles to provide to the Committee.

#### 4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

Associate Planner Sarah Peters gave an update on Community Development Department. Peters mentioned the 4 Leaf Pilot plan is over. The Community Development Department is offering all permits to be routed to Mendocino County or 4 Leaf at the applicants request. 4 Leaf is also assisting with Code Enforcement. Vice Mayor Rafanan asked clarifying questions about Code Enforcement with 4 Leaf. Associate Planner Sarah Peters answered. Mayor Godeke gave an oral update on the tree project.

**4A.** 25-473 EZ First Friday Slide Show

Permit Technician Maria Flynn presented the slide show of the Entertainment Zone. Vice Mayor Rafanan asked clarifying questions Permit Technician Maria Flynn answered.

Vice Mayor Rafanan adjourned the meeting at 5:08 PM.



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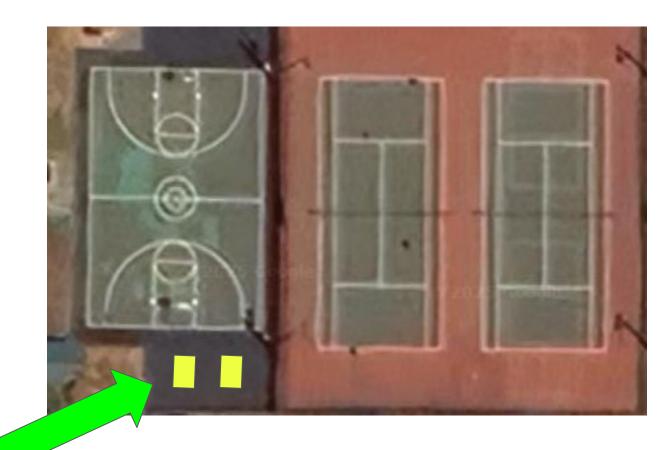
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Ping Pong Tables at Bainbridge Park

# Inquiry on municipal ping-pong tables: Bainbridge Park?







Proposed location at Harold O. Bainbridge Park

## Cost: \$2,200 - \$7,000 per table (metal vs concrete)

Rationales for permanent outdoor ping pong tables in parks

Note: these are generally written by ping pong associations or table manufacturers.

Ping pong tables are difficult for many households to place, so having one or two in a public space creates a shared community infrastructure.

Permanent outdoor tables are low-maintenance (again, according to advocates and manufacturers).

They don't require much space (appr. 200 square feet).

## Some possible next steps:

- Wait for the Bainbridge Park Enhancement Project completion.
- Try a ping pong pop-up, similar to what we did with the Coast Trail exercise equipment and binocular station activities. 2-3 hours on a Saturday afternoon?
- Godeke would be happy to co-host/staff the tables (rentals, as with the EZ event?) along with local ping pong enthusiasts.
- Come back to CDC with observations, public feedback/input.

11/3/25

Hello Mayor Godeke,

A few months back, at the Farmer's market, knowing the financial pressures every town is under, I floated an idea past you about a partnership between we citizens and the city to pay for a pair of outdoor ping-pong tables, and putting them in the paved 50' x 25' space just south of the basketball court in Bainbridge park.

My research since then has put me in touch with many manufacturers. In my opinion, the best option is for steel tables rather than cement because of cost and transport issues. I found a company called <u>bestoutdoorpingpongtables.com</u> that sells the "Cornilleau 510" table for \$2,200, which comes with a 10 year warranty. The reviews for this table are very good.

Their warehouse in SoCal will not bring the tables all the way to Fort Bragg, but will deliver to Santa Rosa — for free! I'd think it possible to arrange final delivery from Santa Rosa to here (each table weighs 190 lbs and come in a box) even if it means my renting a U-haul and doing it myself.

I continue to research better possibilities, but after many discouraging weeks of looking into \$6-7k cement tables, the prospect of steel tables gives me hope that such an arrangement is fiscally and logistically possible.

My interest and efforts are rooted in many discussions with local ping pong enthusiasts for 4-5 years, wishing for a public place to play. And I do love the idea of a city-public arrangement to pay for this.

My question at this time is would Fort Bragg be willing to spend \$2,200 plus tax and maybe some extra \$ somewhere (maybe not) in order to obtain 2 new, steel outdoor ping pong tables?

Your serve,

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Fort Bragg Tree Planting Update

## **Tree Planting Report/Update:**

## Community Development Committee, 12/1/2025



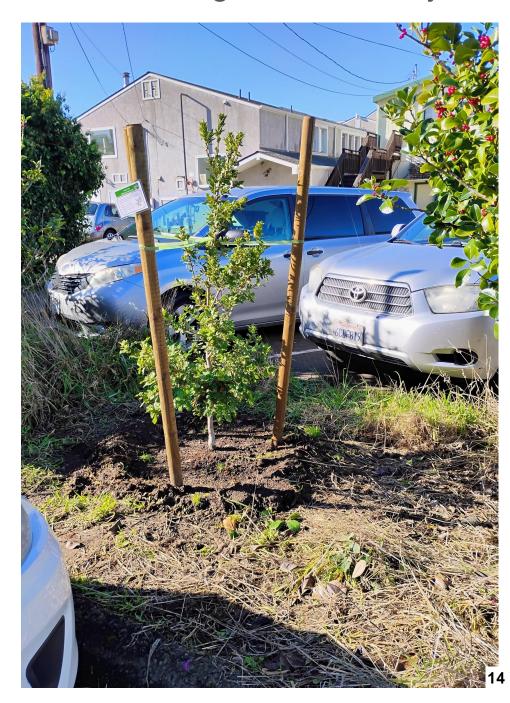
November Tree Delivery



New Magnolia Grandiflora "Kay Parris" at the Dog Park

## Quercus Tomentella (Island Oak): CA Native Tree lawn in the public parking lot between Footlighters / Tall Guy





# Replacing old large trees in front of the Tribal Learning Center / Fort Building



Quercus Tomentella (Island Oak)



London Plane "Columbia"

## Island Oak Quercus Tomentella

This tree can reach a mature height of 65 feet. An evergreen, native to California, it is fast-growing, and resilient to coastal salty air.

Island Oak is an excellent climate change migration and adaptation native tree species for locations throughout coastal California.

## Southern Magnolia Magnolia Grandiflora "Kay Parris"

This tree can reach a height of 25 feet. An evergreen, it produces large, lemon-scented, cream-white flowers from spring through autumn.

A mature tree can absorb approximately 48 pounds of CO2 annually.

This tree provides habitat and food for various / wildlife species: birds and insects benefit from the tree's foliage and flowers.

### London Plane "Columbia" Platanus acerifolia

This tree can reach a mature size of 50 feet high and 40 feet wide.

It is known as a hardy street tree, and an excellent absorber of air pollutants. A one-inch diameter London Plane tree can absorb approximately 5 pounds of CO2 annually.

Its large canopy provides habitat for birds and insects and shade for humans.

## Silver Linden Tilia tomentosa

This tree can reach a mature height of 50-80 feet.

The silver linden is versatile, growing in a wide range of soils. The tree is also drought tolerant and fire safe. Silver linden flowers are highly attractive to bees.



## City of Fort Bragg Tree Planting Data Tracking

Tree Species	Size planted (Container)	Date Planted	Location	Soil Amended?	Irrigation method	Tree Stakes? Cage?	Other planting info	1 year condition?	5 year condition?
Red Alder North Coast Native	5 gallon	2024, Sept	Main St. Healthcare Foundation	Yes	Unknown	Stakes	This was planted in excellent soil, in yard.	Dead	
Catalina Ironwood CA Native	15 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose, scheduled	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions, pygmy hardpan	Healthy	
Thuja Green Giant CA Native	15 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose, scheduled	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions, pygmy hardpan	Healthy	
London Plane Non-native (2)	15 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose, scheduled	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions, pygmy hardpan	Healthy	
Pacific Dogwood CA North Coast Native	1 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose, scheduled	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions, pygmy hardpan	Dead	
Toyon CA North Coast Native	1 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose, scheduled	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions, pygmy hardpan	Healthy	
Wax Myrtle CA North	1 gallon	2024, Nov	S Lincoln Dog Park	Yes	Hose,	Stakes Cage	Poor soil conditions,	Healthy	<del> </del>

# Franklin Street Replacement Sites: Planting Conditions for new large trees

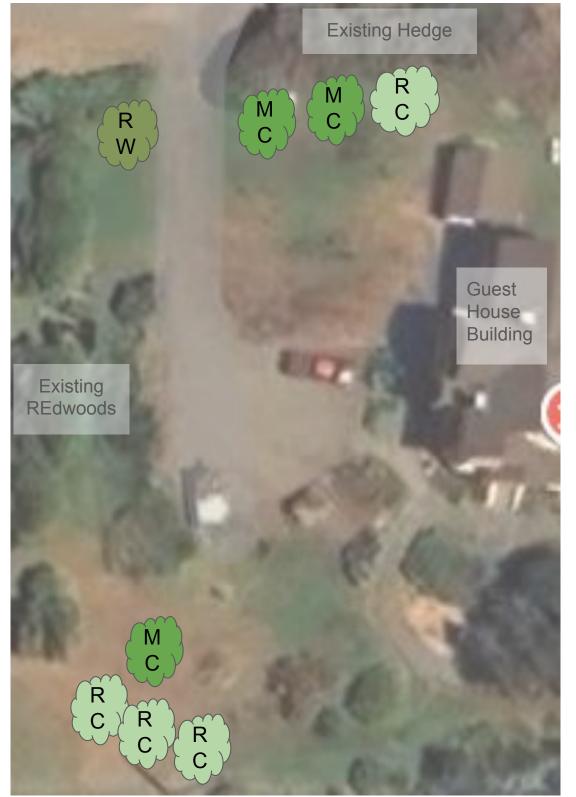




Replacement tree: London Plane "Columbia"

Replacement tree: Silver Linden





## Guest House Possible West Yard Tree Plan

RC

Western Red Cedar Thuja plicata 'Green Giant' 30'Wx60'H Native to Pacific Northwest



Monterey Cypress
Hesperocyparis
macrocarpa
40'Wx60'H
(highly varied mature
sizes)
California Native



Redwood Sequoia sempervirens 30'Wx100'H Northern CA Native

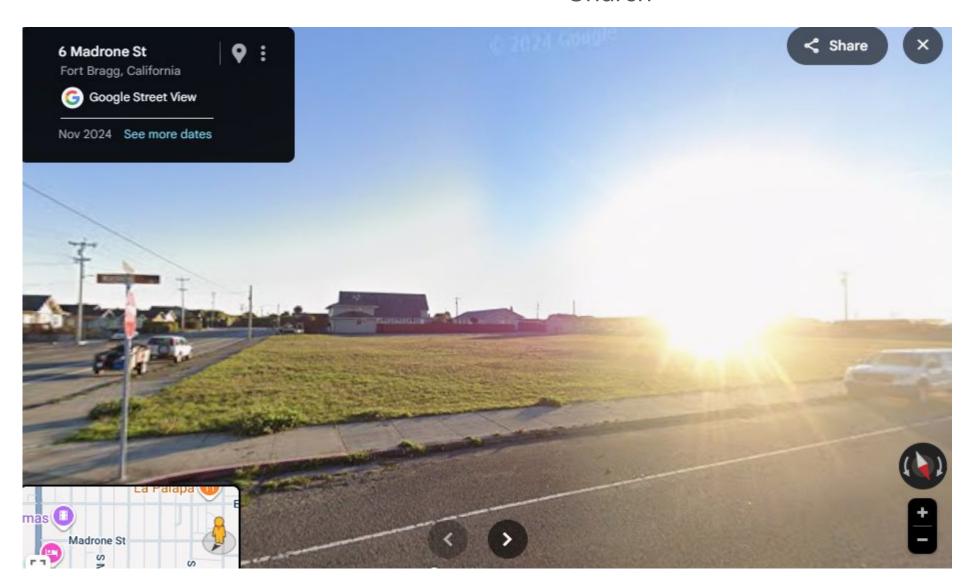
## Our Lady of Good Counsel, Empty Lot

## Advantages:

- No tree pits needed
- No electric poles/lines on East and North Sides of Lot
- Very High Visibility/Impact

### Challenges:

- Waterhog watering
- Long-term protection/uncertainty
- Funding and Permission from Church



## **Next Steps**

City Council Presentation/Discussion

Tree Audit (public right-of-way and City-owned properties)

Volunteer Call/Network for watering

## **City Support:**

- Budget for trees, supplies, tree audit (\$5,000?)
- Sidewalk Cuts
- Tree Data Tracking
- Trees for residents and institutions (with maintenance commitments)
- Maintenance equipment (waterhog, tree gators, stakes)