# PRELIMINARY TREE CONSERVATION REPORT

2046 Scott Street

Tree Conservation Report submitted as Partial Requirements for a Zoning Application

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## **Preliminary Tree Conservation Report**

## Submitted as part of Zoning Application

Address:	2046 – 2050 Scott Street
Date:	May 4, 2020
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Site Visit:	May 4, 2020

### Introduction

This Preliminary Tree Conservation Report has been prepared for 2046 – 2050 Scott Street, as partial requirements for a Zoning Application submitted to the City of Ottawa. The objectives of this Tree Conservation Report are:

- To describe all trees over 10 cm on the site, recording their species, size, and current health condition
- To evaluate the impact of the trees by the proposed development and what the recommended action is (retain or protect)
- To provide recommendations on how to mitigate damage to retained trees during construction

Note that at the time of report preparation, there was no grading plan in place to illustrate the impact by the proposed development in relation to the trees on site. Therefore, the survey was used in combination with the site plan. Once a grading plan is in place, an updated Tree Conservation Report can be developed as part of the Site Plan Control application.

## **Current Vegetation**

The following is an inventory of all trees 10 cm or greater on the property and neighbouring property that will be impacted by development. It also includes Distinctive Trees (50 cm or greater) on neighbouring properties whose Critical Root Zone extend within the area of excavation.



## Tree Inventory

Tree <sup>1</sup>	Species	Diameter at breast height (dbh)	Critical Root Zone (m) <sup>2</sup>	Ownership	Condition	Action
1	Manitoba maple ( <i>Acer negundo</i> )	15 cm	1.5 m	Private	Poor; topped by hydro	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
2	American elm ( <i>Ulmus</i> <i>americana</i> )	49 cm	5 m	Private	Good/fair; restricted and compromised rooting zone	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
3	American elm ( <i>Ulmus</i> <i>americana</i> )	18 cm	2 m	Private	Good/fair; restricted and compromised rooting zone	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
4	Siberian elm ( <i>Ulmus pumila</i> )	60 cm	6 m	Private	Fair; multi- stem with included bark	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
5	Manitoba maple ( <i>Acer negundo</i> )	44 cm	4 m	Private	Good	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
6	Manitoba maple ( <i>Acer negundo</i> )	14	1.5 m	Private	Fair	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
7	Ash ( <i>Fraxinus</i> spp.)	42 cm	n/a	Private	Dead	Remove
8	Freeman maple ( <i>Acer freemanii</i> )	30 cm	3 m	City; right-of-way in front of 295 Ashton	Fair; multiple cankers along the trunk and crown dieback	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
9	Pyramidal cedar clump	10, 10, 5, 5 cm (estimate)	1 m	City; right of way in front of 301 Ashton	Good	Proposed removal; in conflict with



						proposed development
10	Crab apple ( <i>Malus spp</i> )	15 cm (estimate)	1.5 m	Private – rear yard of 301 Ashton	Good	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development
11	Lilac (Syringa reticula)	Multi- stemmed; 7 stems 10-15 cm (estimate)	2 m	Private – rear yard of 301 Ashton	Good	Proposed removal; in conflict with proposed development

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the attached map for tree numbers. Note that the map includes a tree layer added to the survey or site plan (in pdf format) provided by the client. This layer includes only information about the trees and the original plan is not altered in this process.

<sup>2</sup> Critical Root Zone is an area around the trunk with a radius equivalent to 10 times the diameter of the trunk

## **Proposed Development and Conserved Vegetation**

The trees along the existing fence in the rear of 2046 Scott and 295 Ashton are all privately-owned and are in the footprint of the proposed 30-storey building. All of these trees have seeded naturally, and several are considered non-native, invasive species. However, these species can withstand harsh urban environments and provide shade and other benefits where other native species may not survive. Because their location is not compatible with the new building, removal is requested.

Tree no. 8 is a Freeman maple that is in fair condition. The main stem has several cankers, some of which have sealed over. There is also some crown dieback, possibly caused by root damage when the neighbouring soft surface was converted to asphalt about 5 years ago (see Google Street view for reference). Given the poor health of this tree, it is not recommended that it be incorporated into the new development.

The trees on the 301 Ashton property include the clump of cedar in the front along with two small trees in the rear yard, a crab apple and lilac tree. Note that this yard was not accessed, and the size, health and species of these trees have been estimated through a 2-m high fence. All the trees on this property lie within the footprint of the underground garage and, therefore, removal is requested.

A Tree Permit from the City of Ottawa is required prior to the removal of any of the trees identified in this report.



The undersigned personally inspected the property and issues associated with this report on May 4, 2020. On Behalf of Dendron Forestry Services,





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Figure 1: Trees no. 1-3: American elms and Manitoba maple to be removed



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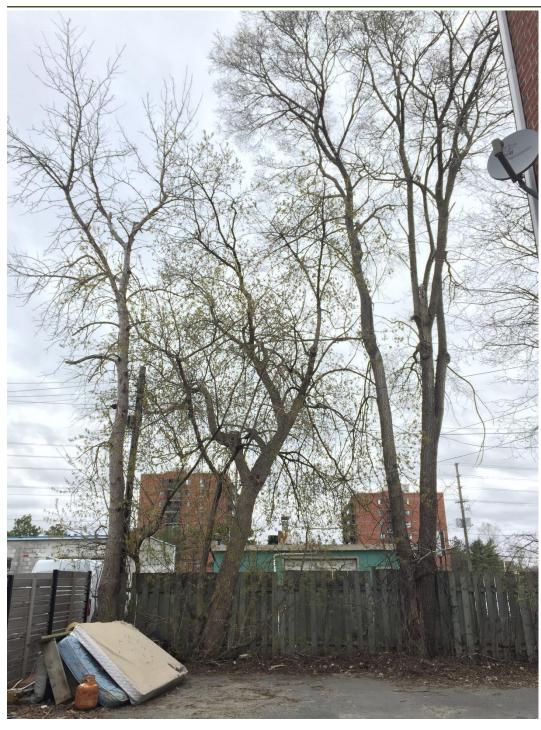


Figure 2: Trees 4 to 7: Siberian elm, Manitoba maple and ash (dead) to be removed



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Figure 3: Tree no. 8 - City-owned Frreeman maple to be removed



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#### Limitations of this Report

This Report is based on the circumstances and observations as they existed at the time of the site inspection of the Client's Property and the trees situate thereon by Dendron and upon information provided by the Client to Dendron. The opinions in this Report are given based on observations made and using generally accepted professional judgment, however, because trees and plants are living organisms and subject to change, damage and disease, the results, observations, recommendations, and analysis as set out in this Report are valid only as at the date any such testing, observations and analysis took place and no guarantee, warranty, representation or opinion is offered or made by Dendron as to the length of the validity of the results, observations, recommendations and analysis contained within this Report As a result the Client shall not rely upon this Report, save and except for representing the circumstances and observations, analysis and recommendations that were made as at the date of such inspections. It is recommended that the trees discussed in this Report should be re-assessed periodically.

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#### Assumptions

The Client is hereby notified and does hereby acknowledge and agree that where any of the facts and information set out and referenced in this Report are based on assumptions, facts or information provided to Dendron by the Client and/or third parties and unless otherwise set out within this Report, Dendron will in no way be responsible for the veracity or accuracy of any such information. Further, the Client acknowledges and agrees that Dendron has, for the purposes of preparing their Report, assumed that the Property, which is the subject of this Report is in full compliance with all applicable federal, provincial, municipal and local statutes, regulations, by-laws, guidelines and other related laws. Dendron explicitly denies any legal liability for any and all issues with respect to non-compliance with any of the above-referenced statutes, regulations, bylaws, guidelines and laws as it may pertain to or affect the Property to which this Report applies.

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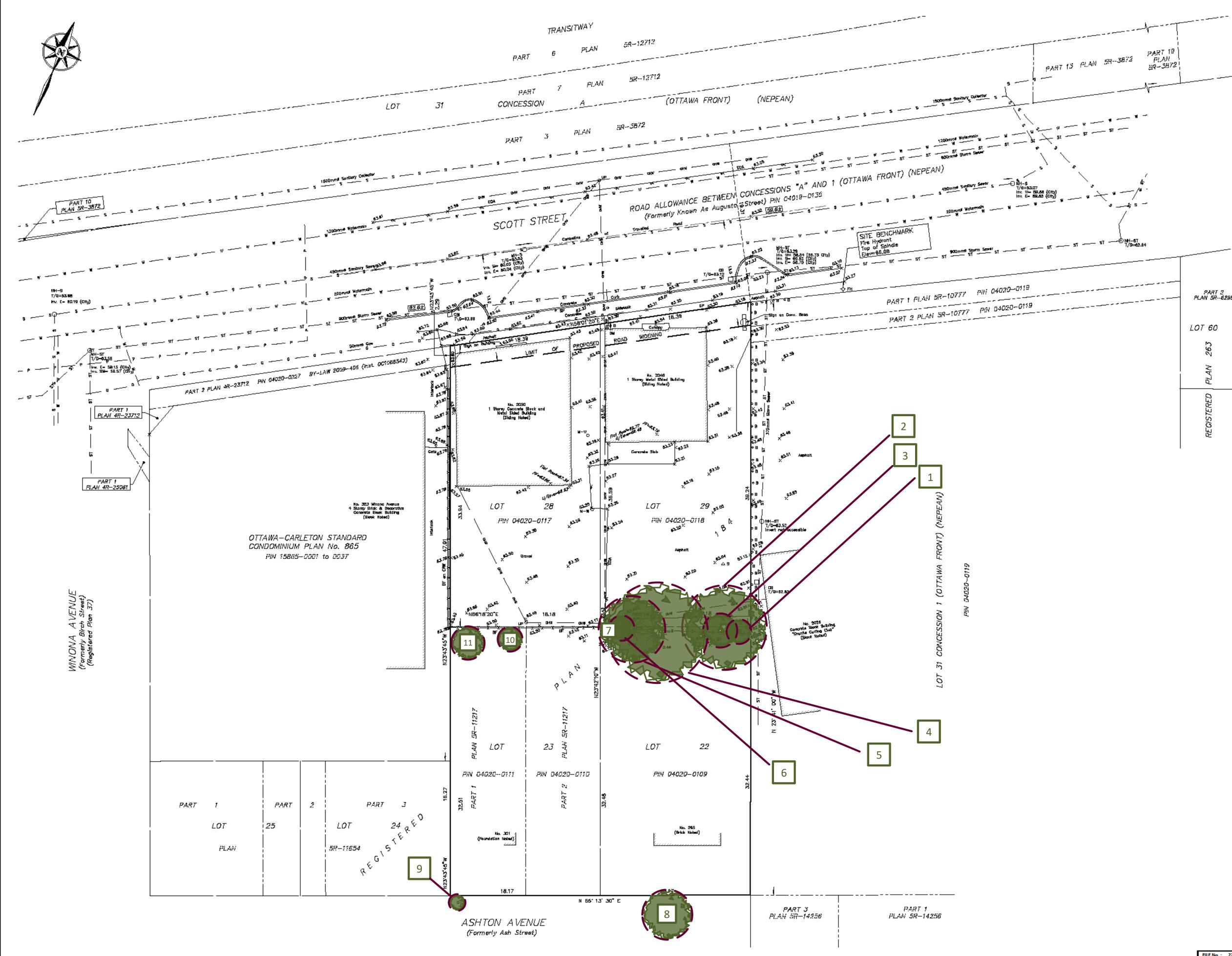
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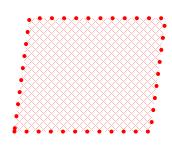
- a) any legal description provided with respect to the Property;
- b) issues of title and or ownership respect to the Property;
- c) the accuracy of the Property line locations or boundaries with respect to the Property; and
- d) the accuracy of any other information provided to Dendron by the Client or third parties;
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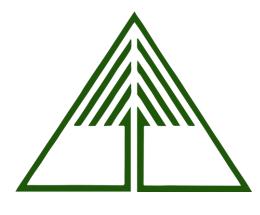
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Recommended Tree Protection Fencing Area



Critical Root Zone

Note that the tree layer has been added to the original survey supplied by the client in pdf format. This layer refers to the trees only, and the original survey has not been altered in the process.



Tree Conservation Report Map – 2046-2050 Scott Street Tree layer prepared by Dendron Forestry Services Version 1.0, May 4, 2020 For more information, please contact info@dendronforestry.ca

# TOPOGRAPHIC SKETCH OF LOTS 22, 23, 28 AND 29 **REGISTERED PLAN 184 CITY OF OTTAWA**

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## Elevation Notes

- 1. Elevations shown are geodetic and are referred to Geodetic Datum CGVD-1928 :1978. (FMW Ref.No.2-184NP).
- 2. It is the responsibility of the user of this information to verify that the job benchmark has not been altered or disturbed and that it's relative elevation and description agrees with the information shown on this drawing.

## Utility Notes

- This drawing cannot be accepted as acknowledging all of the utilities and it will be the responsibility of the user to contact the respective utility authorities for confirmation.
- 2. Only visible surface utilities were located.
- Underground utility data derived from City of Ottawa utility sheet reference: E-04-04 and as-built drawings 15350 p18 and 15350 p19.
- Sanitary and storm sewer grades and inverts were compiled from City of Ottawa as-built drawings 15350 p18 and 15350 p19/ field measurements.
- A field location of underground plant by the pertinent utility authority is mandatory before any work involving breaking ground, probing, excavating etc.

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