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RE: TREE CONSERVATION REPORT FOR 78-90 BEECHWOOD AVENUE & 69-93 BARRETTE STREET, OTTAWA

This report details a pre-construction Tree Conservation Report (TCR) for the above-noted cluster of properties in Ottawa. The need for this TCR is related to the proposed demolition of multiple commercial buildings along Beechwood Avenue and residential dwellings along Barrette Street, and in their place construction of a 9-storey mixed-use building with two levels underground parking.

Tree conservation reports are required for all site plan control applications for properties on which trees 10 centimetres in diameter or greater are present. The approval of this TCR by the City of Ottawa and the issuing of a permit by them authorize the removal of approved trees. Importantly, although this report may be used to support the application for a City tree removal permit, it does not by itself constitute permission to remove trees or begin site clearing activities. No such work should occur before a tree removal permit is issued by the City of Ottawa. Further, the removal of any shared trees, or trees located fully on adjacent properties will require permission from neighbouring owners prior to removal.

The inventory in this report details the assessment of all individual trees on and adjacent to the subject properties. No trees fully on neighbouring private or adjacent City of Ottawa property will be lost as a result of the proposed construction. Field work for this report was completed in November 2019 and July 2020.

Pictures 1 through 5 on pages 4 through 8 of this report show selected the trees on and adjacent to the subject properties. Given the extensive excavation necessary for the underground parking, it is not possible to preserve any of the trees currently on the subject properties.

TREE SPECIES, CONDITION, SIZE AND STATUS

Table 1 below details the species, condition, size (diameter), ownership and status of the individual trees on or adjacent to the subject properties. Each of these trees is referenced by the numbers plotted on the accompanying tree conservation plans.



Table 1. Tree conservation information for 78-90 Beechwood Avenue & 69-93 Barrette Street

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Tree	Tree Species	Condition	DBH ¹	Owner-	Tree Condition Notes &
No.		(VP→E,	(cm)	ship	Preservation Status (to be removed
		or dead)			or preserved and protected)
1	Manitoba maple	Fair	12	Private	Mature; line of trees originated from
	(Acer negundo)		avg.		seed; naturalized species; to be
					removed (conflicts with
					construction)
2	Yew	Fair	13	Shared	Mature; upright; cultivated species -
	(Taxus spp.)				planted; to be preserved and
					protected
3	White cedar	Poor - fair	10	Private/	Mature; planted hedge with seeded
	(Thuja		avg.	Shared	maples – all divergent towards
	occidentalis)/				south/west due to intolerance to
	Manitoba maple				shade; native/naturalized species; to
	1				be preserved and protected
4	Silver maple	Fair	+/- 60	Shared	Mature; multi-stemmed at 0.6m
	(Acer		(at		from grade – coppicing stump;
	saccharinum)		0.3m		broad crown; native species; to be
	,		<i>'</i>		preserved and protected
5	Silver maple	Good	64	City	Mature; tri-stemmed at 3m from
				,	grade; generally upright form due to
					past pruning from house and over
					road; very limited rooting area
					between foundation and sidewalk;
					native species; to be preserved and
					protected
6	Manitoba maple	Fair	55 &	Private	Mature; double-stemmed from
			60		grade; crown divergent towards
					northwest due to past pruning from
					house; broad, dense crown;
					originated from seed; naturalized
					species; to be removed (conflicts
					with construction)
7	Manitoba	Poor- fair	10	Private	Maturing; cluster of multiple species
	maple/hack-		avg.		- all originating from seed; growing
	berry (Celtis				over and damaging wooden privacy
	occidentalis)/				fence; to be removed (conflict with
	cherry				construction)
	(Prunus spp.)/				
	buckthorn				
	(Rhamnus				
	spp.)/white				
	elm (<i>Ulmus</i>				
	americana)/				<u> </u>
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8	Manitoba maple	Fair	27	Private	Mature; codominant leaders at 2.5m with suppressed lateral at 1m on north side; growing into service wires; crown asymmetric towards northwest; naturalized species; to be removed (conflicts with construction)
9	Sugar maple (Acer saccharum)	Poor	23	Shared	Mature; multiple competing stems at 3m – broad, generally symmetric crown; growing into service wires; in advanced decline due to harsh growing environment (limited rooting area of poor and compacted soils) – scattered dead branches in upper crown; native species; to be preserved and protected
10	Austrian pine (Pinus nigra)	Very good	27	Private	Maturing; central dominant stem and leader; good crown density, growth increment and needle colour; introduced species; to be removed (conflicts with construction)
11	Chokecherry (Prunus virginiana)	Dead	23	City	'Schubert' variety; cultivar; to be removed (hazardous)

¹ diameter at breast height, or 1.4m from grade (unless otherwise indicated); average diameters indicate clusters of trees or single multi-stemmed trees

TREE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION MEASURES

Preservation and protection measures intended to mitigate damage during construction will be applied for the trees to be retained adjacent to the subject properties. The following measures are the minimum required by the City of Ottawa to ensure tree survival during and following construction:

- 1. Erect a fence at the critical root zone (CRZ¹) of trees;
- 2. Do not place any material or equipment within the CRZ of the tree;
- 3. Do not attach any signs, notices or posters to any tree;
- 4. Do not raise or lower the existing grade within the CRZ without approval;
- 5. Tunnel or bore when digging within the CRZ of a tree;
- 6. Do not damage the root system, trunk or branches of any tree;
- 7. Ensure that exhaust fumes from all equipment are NOT directed towards any tree's canopy.

This report is subject to the attached Limitations of Tree Assessments to which the reader's attention is directed.



¹ The critical root zone (CRZ) is established as being 10 centimetres from the trunk of a tree for every centimetre of trunk Diameter at breast height (DBH). The CRZ is calculated as DBH x 10 cm.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions concerning this report.

Yours,



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Picture 1. Trees #2 (yew-left), 3 (cedar/Manitoba maple) and 4 (silver maple-right), shared with neighbouring property



Picture 2. Tree #5 – city owned silver maple





Picture 3. Manitoba maple #6 – on private (subject) property



Picture 4. Manitoba maple #8 on private (subject) property





Picture 5. Tree #9 – shared sugar maple



LIMITATIONS OF TREE ASSESSMENTS

It is the policy of *IFS Associates Inc.* to attach the following clause regarding limitations. We do this to ensure that our clients are clearly aware of what is technically and professionally realistic in assessing trees for retention.

The information contained in this report covers only the tree(s) in question and no others. It reflects the condition of the assessed tree(s) at the time of inspection and was limited to a visual examination of the accessible portions only. *IFS Associates Inc.* has prepared this report in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the forestry and arboricultural professions, subject to the time limits and physical constraints applicable to this report. The assessment of the tree(s) presented in this report has been made using accepted arboricultural techniques. These include a visual examination of the aboveground portions of each tree for structural defects, scars, cracks, cavities, external indications of decay such as fungal fruiting bodies, evidence of insect infestations, discoloured foliage, the condition of any visible root structures, the degree and direction of lean (if any), the general condition of the tree(s) and the surrounding site, and the proximity of property and people. Except where specifically noted in the report, the tree(s) examined were not dissected, cored, probed or climbed to gain further evidence of their structural condition. Also, unless otherwise noted, no detailed root collar examinations involving excavation were undertaken.

While reasonable efforts have been made to ensure that the tree(s) recommended for retention are healthy, no warranty or guarantee, expressed or implied, are offered that these trees, or any parts of them, will remain standing. This includes other trees on the property not examined as part of this assignment. It is both professionally and practically impossible to predict with absolute certainty the behaviour of any single tree or groups of trees or their component parts in all circumstances. Inevitably, a standing tree will always pose some risk. Most trees have the potential for failure in the event of adverse weather conditions, and this risk can only be eliminated through tree removal.

Notwithstanding the recommendations and conclusions made in this report, it must be realized that trees are living organisms, and their health and vigour constantly change over time. They are not immune to changes in site conditions, or seasonal variations in the weather. It is a condition of this report that *IFS Associates Inc.* be notified of any changes in tree condition and be provided an opportunity to review or revise the recommendations within this report. Recognition of changes to a tree's condition requires experience and so it is recommended that *IFS Associates Inc.* be employed to re-inspect the tree(s) with sufficient frequency to detect if conditions have changed significantly.

No responsibility is assumed for matters legal in character. Statements made to *IFS Associates Inc.* in regards to the condition or history of the tree(s) are assumed to be correct. Any and all property is assessed or evaluated as though free and clear, under responsible ownership and competent management. It is assumed that any property is not in violation of any applicable codes, ordinances, statues or other government regulations.

Neither the author of this report nor anyone else in association with *IFS Associates Inc.* shall be required to give testimony or attend court by reason of this report unless contractual arrangements are made, including payment of an additional fee for such services as described in the fee schedule and contact of engagement, or as previously accepted.

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This report and any values expressed herein represent the opinion of the author; His fee is in no way contingent upon the reporting of a specified value, a stipulated result, the occurrence of a subsequent event, nor upon any finding to be reported.

Details obtained from photographs, sketches, etc., are intended as visual aids and are not to scale. They should not be construed as engineering reports or surveys.

Although every effort has been made to ensure that this assessment is reasonably accurate, the tree(s) should be reassessed at least annually. The assessment presented in this report is valid at the time of the inspection only.

Lastly, loss or alteration of any part of this report invalidates the entire report.





