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Crolla/Bastianelli 20 Jamie Avenue Ottawa, ON K2E 6T6

RE: TREE INFORMATION REPORT (FULL) FOR 185 KAMLOOPS AVENUE

This Tree Information Report (TIR) was prepared by IFS Associates Inc. (IFS) on behalf of Crolla Construction Corporation in support of their severance application for 185 Kamloops Avenue. The need for this report is related to trees protected under the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law (By-law No. 2020-340). Presently the property is occupied by a one-storey single family dwelling. The proposed redevelopment will include the demolition of the existing dwelling and construction of a new single-family dwelling on each of the two new lots.

Within the inner urban area of Ottawa a TIR is required for infill developments and/or demolitions when a 'distinctive' tree is present (*i.e.* 30 cm in diameter at breast height (DBH) or greater). This includes distinctive trees on adjacent properties which have critical root zones (CRZ) extending onto a property slated for development or demolition. A "tree" is defined in the By-law as any species of woody perennial plant, including its root system, which has reached or can reach a minimum height of at least 450 cm at physiological maturity. The CRZ is calculated as DBH x 10 cm.

The approval of this TIR by the city and the issuing of a permit authorizes the removal of approved trees. Importantly, although this report may be used to support the application for a 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 authorizing the injury or destruction of a tree in accordance with the By-law.

The inventory in this report details the assessment of all individual trees on the subject and adjacent private property, including trees on nearby City of Ottawa lands. Field work for this report was completed in September 2022 and April and June of 2023.

TREE SPECIES, CONDITION, SIZE AND STATUS

Table 1 on pages 2 through 5 details the individual distinctive trees on and adjacent to the subject property. Each of these trees is referenced by the numbers plotted on the tree information plan included on page 6 of this report.



Table 1. Tree information for 185 Kamloops Avenue

Tree	Tree species	Owner	DBH ²	CRZ^3	Distance to	Tree Condition, Age Class, Condition	Reason	Forester's
No.	/Tolerance to	-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Notes, Species Origin and Status (to be	for	Opinion re.
110.	Construction ¹	SIIIP	(6111)	(111)	$(m)^4$	removed or preserved and protected)	removal	Removal
1	Redbud	City	20.1	2.0	+/-2	Poor; mature; four competing stems at	Not	NA
	(Cercis		(at			1.3m and one suppressed lateral at 0.6m	applicable	
	canadensis) /		1m)			on southeast; very poor unions – all	– to be	
	Moderate		ĺ			failing; very broad crown; introduced	preserved	
						species to Eastern Ontario; to be	•	
						preserved and protected		
2	White spruce	Private	60.1	-	-	Very poor; mature; main stem broke off at	Very poor	Tree be
	(Picea					14m in May 2022 wind storm; native	condition	removed
	glauca) /					species; to be removed		
	Moderate-							
	Good							
3	White spruce	Private	53.5	-	-	Hazardous; mature; partially uplifted in	Hazardous	Tree be
	(Picea					May 2022 wind storm - now moderately		removed
	glauca) /					divergent towards northeast; native		
	Moderate-					species; to be removed		
	Good							
4	Scots pine	Private	42.5	4.3	+/-6	Fair; mature; mildly divergent and very	Conflicts	Tree be
	(Pinus					asymmetric towards northwest due to	with pool	removed
	sylvestris) /					influence of tree #2; good crown density,		
	Moderate-					annual increment and needle colour;		
	Good					introduced invasive species; to be		
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5	White pine	Private	77.6	7.8	+/-7	Poor; very mature; central dominant main	Hazardous	Tree be
	(Pinus					stem to 14m; co-dominant parallel leaders		removed
	strobus) / Moderate-					at 22m; multiple competing and		
						suppressed laterals on south side starting		
	Good					at 4m; suffered major damage in April		
						2023 ice storm; native species; to be		
						removed A		

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Tree	Tree species	Owner	DBH^2	CRZ^3	Distance to	Tree Condition, Age Class, Condition	Reason	Forester's
No.	/Tolerance to	-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Notes, Species Origin and Status (to be	for	Opinion re.
	Construction ¹				$(m)^4$	removed or preserved and protected)	removal	Removal
6	Mountain-ash	Private	34.3	3.4	+/-10	Fair; mature; topped at 3m in distant past;	Conflicts	Tree be
	(Sorbus spp.)					central stem with competing lateral at 2m	with	removed
	/					on southwest; native species; to be	retaining	
	Moderate					removed	wall	
7	Ginkgo	Private	30.1	3.0	+/-3	Very good; mature; central dominant stem	Will not	Tree be
	(Ginkgo					for most of height; lower crown	survive	removed
	biloba) /					moderately asymmetric towards south due	root loss	
	Good					to influence of nearby cedar hedge;	related to	
						introduced species; to be removed	pool and	
							house	
							excavation	
8	Norway	Neigh-	+/-60	+/6	+/-7	Fair; mature; co-dominant stems at 3.5m	Not	NA
	maple (Acer	bour				with suppressed lateral at 2m on north;	applicable	
	platanoides) /					broad crown; introduced invasive species;	– to be	
	Moderate-					to be preserved and protected	preserved	
	Good							
9	Scots pine	Private	49.5	5.0	+/-3	Poor; mature; central stem with competing	Will not	Tree be
	(Pinus					lateral at 3m on southwest; central stem	survive	removed
	sylvestris) /					bisects at 6m – poor form; poor crown	root loss	
	Moderate-					density (holding only 1 year of growth),	related to	
	Good					fair growth increment and needle colour;	driveway	
						introduced invasive species; to be	excavation	
						removed		



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No.	/Tolerance to	-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Notes, and Species Origin	for	Opinion re.
	Construction ¹				$(m)^4$		removal	Removal
10	Scots pine (Pinus	City	35.3	-	1	Dead; introduced invasive species; to be removed	Dead	Tree be removed
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	sylvestris) /							
	Moderate-							
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11	Colorado	City	50.8	5.1	+/-7	Poor; mature; main stem broken at 8m in	Not	NA
	spruce (Picea					distant past – two offset leaders have	applicable	
	pungens) /					regenerated; fair crown density, annual	– to be	
	Moderate-					increment and needle colour; introduced	preserved	
	Good					species; to be preserved and protected		
12	Colorado	City	55.8	5.6	+/-7	Fair; mature; co-dominant leaders at 10m	Not	NA
	spruce (Picea					 mildly divergent; lower crown 	applicable	
	pungens) /					asymmetric towards east; needle cast	– to be	
	Moderate-					(Rhizosphaera spp.) thinning crown; fair	preserved	
	Good					crown density, good annual increment and		
						needle colour; introduced species; to be		
						preserved and protected		
13	Norway	City	75.2	7.5	+/-6	Fair; mature; co-dominant stems at 2m	Not	NA
	maple (Acer					with included bark to grade; both stems	applicable	
	platanoides) /					bisect at 5-7m – broad crown; fair root	– to be	
	Moderate-					collar – several binding roots; multiple	preserved	
	Good					spiral and longitudinal seams in lower		
						stems; introduced invasive species; to be		
						preserved and protected		

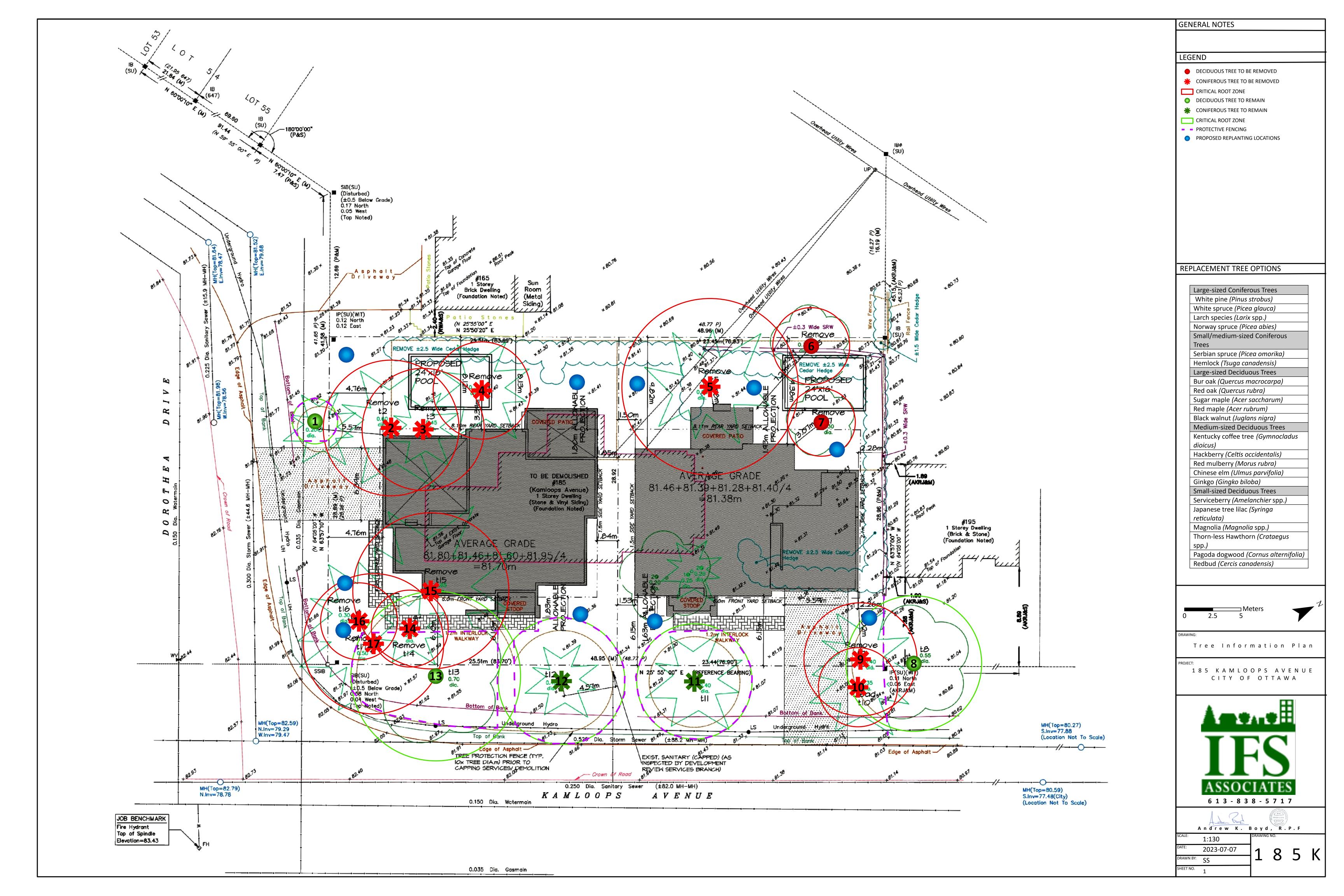


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No.	/Tolerance to	-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Notes, and Species Origin	for	Opinion re.
	Construction ¹				$(m)^4$		removal	Removal
14	White spruce	Private	34.2	3.4	<1	Fair; mature; upright form, crown narrow,	Will not	Tree be
	(Picea					asymmetric towards southwest due to	survive	removed
	glauca) /					influence of tree #13; poor crown density	root loss	
	Moderate-					and annual increment, fair needle colour;	related to	
	Good					native species; to be removed	nearby	
						-	excavation	
15	White pine	Private	68.9	6.9	<1	Good; mature; single dominant stem for	Will not	Tree be
	(Pinus					most of height; crown asymmetric	survive	removed
	strobus) /					towards southwest due to trees #13 and	root loss	
	Moderate-					14; good crown density, annual increment	related to	
	Good					and needle colour; native species; to be	nearby	
						removed	excavation	
16	White spruce	Private	34.2	-	-	Poor; mature; main stem broken at 5.5m	Poor	Tree be
	(Picea					in distant past – single offset leader has	condition	removed
	glauca) /					regenerated; crown asymmetric towards		
	Moderate-					south/west due to influence of trees #14		
	Good					and 17; good crown density, annual		
						increment and needle colour where		
						exposed to sunlight; native species; to be		
						removed (due to poor condition)		
17	White pine	Private	62.1	-	-	Very poor; mature; multiple dead and	Very poor	Tree be
	(Pinus					declining branches on south and east sides	condition	removed
	strobus) /					of crown; many others with chlorotic		
	Moderate-					foliage, including at crown apex; tree is in		
	Good					advanced decline; native species; to be		
						removed (due to poor condition)		
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¹As taken from Managing Trees during Construction; 2nd Ed., Fite and Smiley; ² Diameter at breast height, or 1.3m from grade (unless otherwise indicated); ³ Critical root zone (CRZ) is considered as being 10 centimetres from the trunk of a tree for every centimetre of DBH. The CRZ is calculated as DBH x 10 cm;

⁴Approximate distances only.



Pictures 1 through 5 on pages 10 to 14 of this report show selected trees on and adjacent to the subject property (all pictures taken September 2022).

PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS

Certain provincial regulations are applicable to trees on private property. In particular, the Endangered Species Act – ESA (2007) mandates that tree species on the Species at Risk in Ontario (SARO) list be identified. Butternut (*Juglans cinerea*) is present in Eastern Ontario and is listed as threatened on the SARO. Because of this it is protected from harm. No trees of this species were found on or near the subject property.

TREE PROTECTION MEASURES

Protection measures intended to mitigate damage during construction will be applied for the trees to be preserved. The following measures are the minimum required by the City of Ottawa to ensure tree survival during and following construction:

- 1. Erect a fence as close as possible to the critical root zone (CRZ) of trees (City of Ottawa tree protection barrier detail included on page 9).
- 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 crown.

REPLACEMENT TREE PLANTING OR COMPENSATION

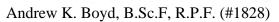
As the property is within the inner urban area, the following ratios are used in terms of replacement tree planting: 2:1 for each removed distinctive tree measuring 30-49 cm in diameter and 3:1 for each distinctive tree measuring 50 cm or greater in diameter. As six (6) trees in the range of 30-49cm and six (6) greater than 50cm are to be removed, compensation of thirty (30) new trees is required. Replacement trees must be at least 50mm in caliper if deciduous and 2m in height if coniferous. Suggested replanting locations for ten (10) trees are shown on the tree conservation plan on page 6. The remaining trees will be compensated for monetarily.

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



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

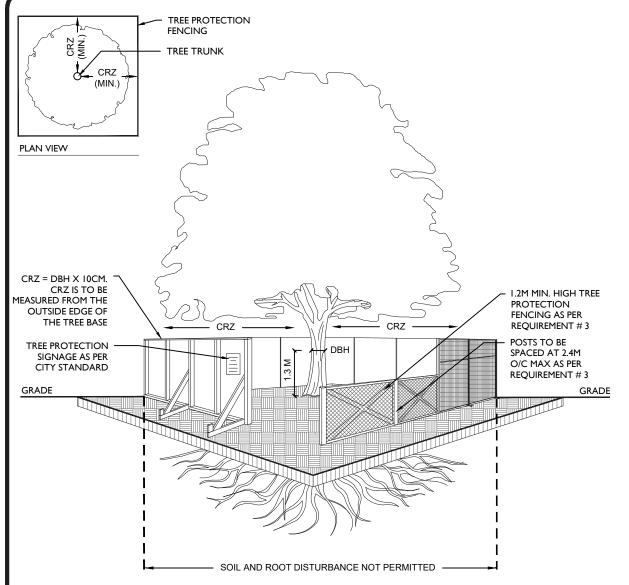
Yours,



Certified Arborist #ON-0496A and TRAQualified

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TREE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS:

- PRIOR TO ANY WORK ACTIVITY WITHIN THE CRITICAL ROOT ZONE (CRZ = 10 X DIAMETER) OF A TREE, TREE PROTECTION FENCING MUST BE INSTALLED SURROUNDING THE CRITICAL ROOT ZONE, AND REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL THE WORK IS COMPLETE.
- 2. UNLESS PLANS ARE APPROVED BY CITY FORESTRY STAFF, FOR WORK WITHIN THE CRZ:
 - DO NOT PLACE ANY MATERIAL OR EQUIPMENT INCLUDING OUTHOUSES;
 - DO NOT ATTACH ANY SIGNS, NOTICES OR POSTERS TO ANY TREE;
 - DO NOT RAISE OR LOWER THE EXISTING GRADE;
 - TUNNEL OR BORE WHEN DIGGING;
 - DO NOT DAMAGE THE ROOT SYSTEM, TRUNK, OR BRANCHES OR ANY TREE:
 - ENSURE THAT EXHAUST FUMES FROM ALL EQUIPMENT ARE NOT DIRECTED TOWARD ANY TREE CANOPY.
 - DO NOT EXTEND HARD SURFACE OR SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE LANDSCAPING
- 3. TREE PROTECTION FENCING MUST BE AT LEAST 1.2M IN HEIGHT, AND CONSTRUCTED OF RIGID OR FRAMED MATERIALS (E.G. MODULOC STEEL, PLYWOOD HOARDING, OR SNOW FENCE ON A 2"X4" WOOD FRAME) WITH POSTS 2.4M APART, SUCH THAT THE FENCE LOCATION CANNOT BE ALTERED. ALL SUPPORTS AND BRACING MUST BE PLACED OUTSIDE OF THE CRZ, AND INSTALLATION MUST MINIMISE DAMAGE TO EXISTING ROOTS. (SEE DETAIL)
- 4. THE LOCATION OF THE TREE PROTECTION FENCING MUST BE DETERMINED BY AN ARBORIST AND DETAILED ON ANY ASSOCIATED PLANS FOR THE SITE (E.G. TREE CONSERVATION REPORT, TREE INFORMATION REPORT, ETC). THE PLAN AND CONSTRUCTED FENCING MUST BE APPROVED BY CITY FORESTRY STAFF PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORK.
- 5. IF THE FENCED TREE PROTECTION AREA MUST BE REDUCED TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION, MITIGATION MEASURES MUST BE PRESCRIBED BY AN ARBORIST AND APPROVED BY CITY FORESTRY STAFF. THESE MAY INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF PLYWOOD, WOOD CHIPS, OR STEEL PLATING OVER THE ROOTS FOR PROTECTION OR THE PROPER PRUNING AND CARE OF ROOTS WHERE ENCOUNTERED.

THE CITY'S TREE PROTECTION BY-LAW, 2020-340 PROTECTS BOTH CITY-OWNED TREES, CITY-WIDE, AND PRIVATELY-OWNED TREES WITHIN THE URBAN AREA. PLEASE REFER TO WWW.OTTAWA.CA/TREEBYLAW FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW THE TREE BY-LAW APPLIES.

ACCESSIBLE FORMATS AND COMMUNICATION SUPPORTS ARE AVAILABLE, UPON REQUEST



TREE PROTECTION SPECIFICATION

TO BE IMPLEMENTED FOR RETAINED TREES, BOTH ON SITE AND ON ADJACENT SITES, PRIOR TO ANY TREE REMOVAL OR SITE WORKS AND MAINTAINED FOR THE DURATION OF WORK ACTIVITIES ON SITE.

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DATE: MARCH 2021

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Picture 1. Trees #1, 2 and 3 (left to right), city redbud and private white spruces at 185 Kamloops Avenue

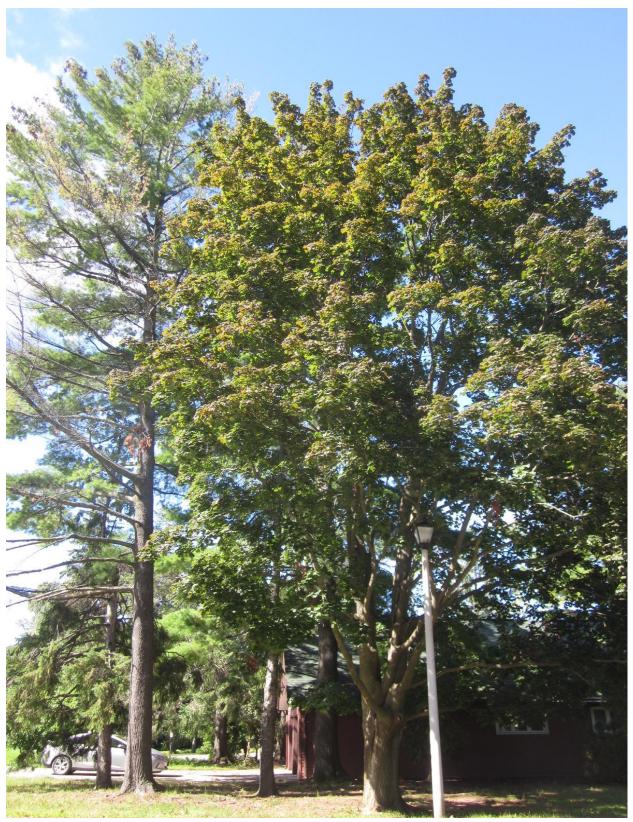


Picture 2. Tree #5, private white pine at 185 Kamloops Avenue



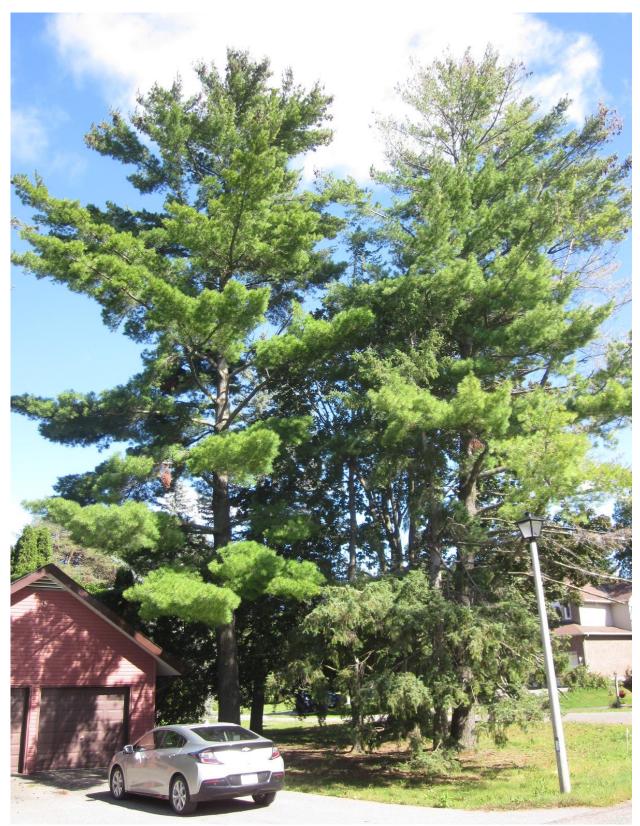


Picture 3. Trees #8 (neighbouring Norway maple in background), Scots pines #9 and 10 at 185 Kamloops Avenue



Picture 4. Tree #13 (city Norway maple, right) and #17 (private white pine, left) at 185 Kamloops Avenue





Picture 5. Trees #15, 16 and 17 (left to right), private white pines and white spruce (centre-right) at 185 Kamloops Avenue

LIMITATIONS OF TREE ASSESSMENTS & LIABILITY

GENERAL

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.

This report was carried out by *IFS Associates Inc.* at the request of the client. The information, interpretation and analysis expressed in this report are for the sole benefit and exclusive use of the client. Possession of this report or a copy thereof does not imply right of publication or use for any purpose by any other than the client to whom it is addressed. Unless otherwise required by law, neither all or any part of the contents of this report, nor copy thereof, shall be conveyed by anyone, including the client, to the public through public relations, news or other media, without the prior expressly written consent of the author, and especially as to value conclusions, identity of the author, or any reference to any professional society or institute or to any initialed designation conferred upon the author as stated in his qualifications.

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

LIMITATIONS

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 people and property. 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) proposed 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 or off 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, especially when within construction zones. Inevitably, a standing tree will always pose some risk. Most trees have the potential for failure in the event of root loss due to excavation and other construction-related impacts. This risk can only be eliminated through full 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 expertise and extensive experience. 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.

ASSUMPTIONS

Statements made to *IFS Associates Inc*. in regards to the condition, history and location of the tree(s) are assumed to be correct. Unless indicated otherwise, all trees under investigation in this report are assumed to be on the client's property. A recent survey prepared by a Licensed Ontario Land Surveyor showing all relevant trees, both on and adjacent to the subject property, will be provided prior to the start of field work. The final version of the grading plan for the project will be provided prior to completion of the report. Any further changes to this plan invalidate the report on which it is based. *IFS Associates Inc*. must be provided the opportunity to revise the report in relation to any significant changes to the grading plan. The procurement of said survey and grading plan, and the costs associated with them both, are the responsibility of the client, not *IFS Associates Inc*.

LIABILITY

Without limiting the foregoing, no liability is assumed by IFS Associates Inc. for:

- 1) Any legal description provided with respect to the property;
- 2) Issues of title and/or ownership with respect to the property;
- 3) The accuracy of the property line locations or boundaries with respect to the property;
- 4) The accuracy of any other information provided by the client of third parties;
- 5) Any consequential loss, injury or damages suffered by the client or any third parties, including but not limited to replacement costs, loss of use, earnings and business interruption; and,
- 6) The unauthorized distribution of the report.

Further, under no circumstances may any claims be initiated or commenced by the client against *IFS Associates Inc.* or any of its directors, officers, employees, contractors, agents or assessors, in contract or in tort, more than 12 months after the date of this report.

ONGOING SERVICES

IFS Associates Inc. accepts no responsibility for the implementation of any or all parts of the report, unless specifically requested to supervise the implementation or examine the results of activates recommended herein. In the event that examination or supervision is requested, that request shall be made in writing and the details, including fees, agreed to in advance.