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RE: TREE INFORMATION REPORT (LONG) FOR 75 AYLEN AVI NUE Comité de dérogation

Dear Rick,

This report details pre-construction tree information for the above noted property in Ottawa. The need for this report is related to trees protected under the Tree Protection By-law (by-law no. 2020-340). The proposed work for this residential lot consists of the demolition of an existing single family dwelling and construction of four semi-detached dwellings.

Tree information reports are to include assessments of all impacted distinctive trees on the subject and adjacent private properties. Within the inner urban area of Ottawa distinctive trees are identified as having diameters of 30 cm or greater. Seven such trees were found. All city owned trees of any diameter are also to be included in tree information reports. One such tree was found. The attributes of all eight trees are noted in table 1 on pages 2 and 3. Field work for this report was completed in May 2021.

FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS

Federal and provincial regulations can be applicable to trees on private property. In particular, the following two regulations have been considered for this property:

- 1) Endangered Species Act (2007): No butternuts (Juglans cinerea) were identified on the subject or adjacent properties. This species of tree is listed as threatened under the Province of Ontario's Endangered Species Act (2007) and so is protected from harm.
- 2) Migratory Bird Convention Act (1994): In the period between April and August of each year nest surveys are required to be performed by a suitably trained person no more than five (5) days before trees or other similar nesting habitat are to be removed.



TREE SPECIES, CONDITION, SIZE AND STATUS

Table 1 below details the species, ownership, size (diameter) and condition of the individual trees on and adjacent to the subject property. Each tree is referenced by the numbers plotted on the tree information plan included on page 4 of this report.

Table 1. Tree information for 75 Aylen Avenue

Tree	Tree species	Owner	DBH ¹	CRZ^2	Distance to	Tree Condition, Age Class and	Reason for	Forester's
No.	-	-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Condition Notes	removal	Opinion re.
		_			(m)			Removal
1	'Schubert'	City	28.2	-	-	Good; mature; central stem with	Conflicts with	Tree be
	chokecherry					multiple competing laterals starting at	proposed	removed
	(Prunus					2m from grade – broad crown; crown	driveway	
	virginiana)					asymmetric towards east due to past		
						pruning from over road; cultivar		
2	Manitoba	Private	+/-	-	-	Tree collapsed in recent past (branch	Stump only	Be
	maple (Acer		100			debris still present) – only 2m tall stump		removed
	negundo)					remaining; naturalized species		
3	Norway	Neigh-	+/-60	+/-6	>5	Good; mature; double stemmed at 1m	Not	NA
	maple (Acer	bour				from grade; included bark within	applicable –	
	platanoides)					primary union; slightly divergent form;	tree to be	
						introduced invasive species	retained	
4	White	Private	28.5	2.8	+/-3	Fair; maturing; leader missing; crown	NA – tree to	NA
	spruce					heavily asymmetric due to influence of	be retained	
	(Picea					neighbour tree; fair crown density,		
	glauca)					growth increment and needle colour;		
						native species		
5	White	Private	33.4	3.3	+/-4	Good; mature; upright stem and	NA – tree to	NA
	spruce					symmetric crown; fair crown density,	be retained	
						growth increment and needle colour		



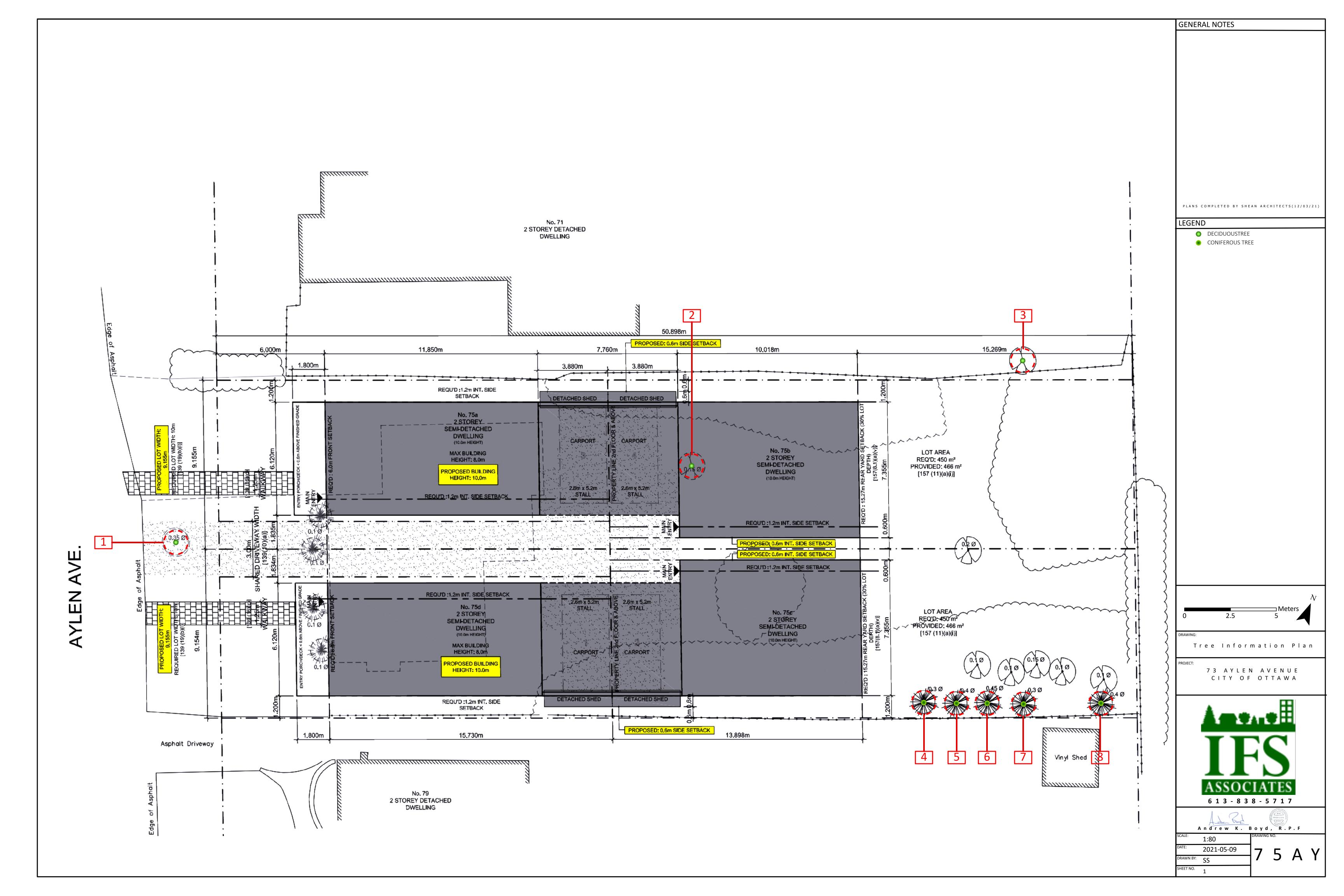
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No.		-ship	(cm)	(m)	excavation	Condition Notes	removal	Opinion re.
					(m)			Removal
6	White	Private	37.6	3.8	+/-5	Good; mature; upright stem and	NA – tree to	NA
	spruce					symmetric crown; fair crown density,	be retained	
						growth increment and needle colour		
7	Balsam fir	Private	27.8	2.8	+/-6	Fair; maturing; poor crown density, fair	NA – tree to	NA
	(Abies					growth increment and needle colour;	be retained	
	balsamea)					native species		
8	White	Private	38.4	3.8	+/-10	Good; mature; upright stem and broad,	NA – tree to	NA
	spruce					symmetric crown; fair crown density,	be retained	
						growth increment and needle colour		

¹ diameter at breast height, or 1.4m from grade (unless otherwise indicated); ² critical root zone (CRZ) is established as being 10 centimetres from the trunk of a tree for every centimetre of DBH. The CRZ is calculated as DBH x 10 cm

Pictures 1, 2 and 3 on page 7, 8 and 9 of this report show the trees found on and adjacent to the subject property.





TREE PROTECTION MEASURES

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

- 1. As per the City of Ottawa's tree protection barrier specification, erect a fence as close as possible to the CRZ of the tree(s);
- 2. Do not place any material or equipment within the CRZ of the tree(s);
- 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 instead of trenching within the CRZ of any 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.

REPLACEMENT TREE PLANTING OR COMPENSATION

No distinctive private trees will be lost as a result of the proposed construction. Consequently, no replacement trees or compensation is required. However, the loss of the city tree will require compensation in the form of the appraised value (as determined by City staff). This can be compensated through planting of replacement tree(s) in the municipal right of way.

I trust this report satisfies your requirements. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions or comments you may have.

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

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Yours.

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Certified Arborist #ON-0496A and TRAQualified

Consulting Urban Forester



SELF-DECLARATION STATEMENT (TO BE SIG	GNED BY PROPERTY OWNER):
Name	•
	_
Phone number	

By signing the application you are acknowledging and understanding that a city forestry inspector or municipal law enforcement officer may enter the property at a reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection. You also acknowledge and understand that through failure to abide by the recommendations of the approved Tree Information Report, damaging or destructing trees identified for protection, you alone will be responsible to bear fully the cost of compensation, removal, and replacement. Further, you are acknowledging having read and agreed to the Limitations of Tree Assessments and Liability included at the end of this report.





Picture 1. Tree #1, city owned chokecherry adjacent to 75 Aylen Avenue.





Picture 2. Tree #3, neighbouring Norway maple adjacent to 75 Aylen Avenue.





Picture 3. Trees #4-8 (right to left) located at 75 Aylen 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 above-ground 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 or 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.

INDEMNIFICATION

An applicant for a permit or other approval based on this report shall agree to indemnify and save harmless *IFS Associates Inc.* from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, losses, costs or damages that affected private landowners and/or the City of Ottawa may suffer, incur or be liable for resulting from the issuance of a permit or approval based on this report or from the performance or non-performance of the applicant, whether with or without negligence on the part of the applicant, or the applicant's employees, directors, contractors and agents.

Further, under no circumstances may any claims be initiated or commenced by the applicant 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.