

## **Tree Removal - 181A Major Street (Downtown)**

*(City Council on November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)*

**The Toronto Community Council recommends that the request for removal of the City-owned tree at 181A Major Street be approved, subject to the applicant planting a replacement tree to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism.**

**The Toronto Community Council submits the following report (October 18, 1999) from the Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism:**

### Purpose:

An application has been received from Ms. Julia Moulden and Mr. David Dunne, 181A Major Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 2L4, for City Council to consider the removal of one City-owned tree located at the above noted address. The applicant is interested in landscaping the property and wishes to have the city tree removed and replaced with a more desirable species.

### Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

### Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the request for removal of this City-owned tree be denied; and
- (2) the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### Comments:

The tree in question is a fourteen centimetre diameter Colorado Blue Spruce in good condition, in a healthy and vigorous state of growth, valued at \$565.14 and does not qualify for removal at this time. The cost to remove the tree and to plant a replacement tree is \$565.15, for a total of \$1130.28. If Council should approve tree removal, contrary to the recommendation in this report, it should be conditional on the applicant paying all costs involved, as noted above.

Conclusions:

The City-owned Spruce does not qualify for routine removal at this time. Since it would be necessary to remove a healthy tree, which is in a healthy and vigorous state of growth, this Department is opposed to removal of this tree.

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The Toronto Community Council reports, for the information of Council, having also had before it during consideration of the foregoing matter a communication (November 4, 1999) from Mr. David Dunne and Ms. Julia Moulden, and a copy thereof is on file in the office of the City Clerk.