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DATE: March 17, 2009

TO: Kimberley Kilburn, Supervisor of Licensing Services
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FROM: Dean Hart, Manager of Forestry Operations

RE: Request to eliminate the tree planting site fronting 1299/1301 St Clair Avenue West

The City tree that is set into the sidewalk at the front of 1299/1301 St Clair Avenue West is a 60 mm diameter London plane tree in fair condition.

The sidewalk appears to have been fairly recently reconstructed, with the tree pit having been built at the same time.

The elimination of commercial tree, trees set into the sidewalk, planting locations to accommodate Boulevard Marketing and Café permits, sets a precedent that is contrary to the objective of doubling the tree canopy.

It is recommended that this tree planting location not be eliminated. If the elimination of this tree planting location is approved by Council, it is recommended that it be with the requirement that the applicant pay all applicable costs for the tree transplanting, capping of the existing tree pit and creation of a new tree pit, at a total cost of \$15,000.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean Hart".

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