



## STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

### 1950 Bathurst Street – Tree Permit Application

<b>Date:</b>	May 5, 2010
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Richard Ubbens, Director, Urban Forestry, Parks, Forestry and Recreation
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 21 - St. Paul's
<b>Reference Number:</b>	P\2010\Cluster A\PFR\TE34-052510-AFS#12108

### SUMMARY

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At its meeting of April 27, 2010, Toronto and East York Community Council requested Urban Forestry to report to the May 25, 2010 meeting regarding the tree permit applications for trees on the Holy Blossom Temple site located at 1950 Bathurst Street, including trees numbered 43, 45, 47, and 49.

The applicant is proposing to build an addition and construct a new driveway and parking area that would require the removal of two (2) privately-owned red oak trees. The construction will also impact the roots of two (2) additional red oak trees.

Urban Forestry is prepared to issue removal and injury permits for the four (4) oak trees conditional on the implementation of approved tree protection measures, tree replacement planting, and the applicant only proceeding with removal and injury once approval has been obtained from City Planning and Toronto Building.

#### Financial Impact

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

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### DECISION HISTORY

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## COMMENTS

Urban Forestry has reviewed the applicant's proposal and is prepared to issue a permit for the removal of two (2) red oak trees and for the injury of two (2) additional red oak trees. Information regarding the four (4) trees is listed in the tables below.

### Tree Injury

Tree No.*	Diameter	Species	Condition	Proposal
47	59 cm	Red oak	Fair/Good	Injury
49	49 cm	Red oak	Fair	Injury

### Tree Removal

Tree No.*	Diameter	Species	Condition	Proposal
43	74 cm	Red oak	Good	Removal
45	58 cm	Red oak	Fair/Good	Removal

\* Tree numbers are based on those provided in the applicant's arborist report.

As required under *Section 813-17, of City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 813, Trees, Article III*, a 'Public Notice' sign was posted on the subject property for the minimum 14-day posting period. In addition, as also required, Urban Forestry has consulted the Ward Councillor regarding the application. Three (3) letters of objection to the removal and injury of the privately-owned trees were received in response to the posting.

The applicant has submitted a Planting Plan proposing one (1) large growing red oak tree on private property and twenty-one (21) large growing trees on City property.

Urban Forestry is working with the applicant to ensure that adequate tree protection is implemented, prior to construction commencing, for the two (2) red oak trees noted above, tree nos. 47 and 49, and for an additional 85 cm diameter red oak that is also proposed to be retained and protected during construction.

Urban Forestry discussed revisions to the proposal with the applicant that would have seen the retention of tree nos. 43 and 45. Due to site constraints, a solution could not be reached allowing the retention of these two trees.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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