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Subject: Request to postpone Revisions to the Tree by -laws
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Mayor John Tory and Members of Council

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RE: PE8.5: Revisions to the Tree By-laws heard on November 23rd, 2015 by Parks and Environment Reference No. P:\20156\Cluster A\PFR08-112315-AFS#20848

Advancing to Council with Bills attached on December 9, 2015

I am writing on behalf of the Palmerston Area Residents' Association (PARA) requesting that PE8.5: Revisions to the Tree By-laws be postponed. This item should be referred back to the Parks and Environment Committee so that community and environmental groups can be invited to bring forth their concerns.

As a volunteer community organization very much concerned about our neighbourhood urban forest, we have not had sufficient notice or time to be able to respond to these revisions. In particular we share the similar concerns of CORRA (Confederation of Ratepayers and Residents Associations) about the lack of notice about removing trees and the inability of our city Councillors to represent the community when these decisions are made.

It is of utmost importance that community groups such as ours have input when such

important decisions are being made. Maintaining our tree canopy is of crucial importance to maintaining the livability of our city and combating climate change.

Please advise PARA of Council's decision.

Sincerely,

Frumie Diamond

on behalf of the Palmerston Area Residents Association

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