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TO: Susanne Pringle, Manager & Deputy Secretary-Treasurer
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2 Civic Centre Court
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FROM: Max Dida, Supervisor, Tree Protection and Plan Review - West District

RE: **104 X Wendell Ave (File No.: B063/A0718/A0719/16EYK)**
Consent to Sever/Minor Variance/Permission Application

I acknowledge receipt of the public hearing notice regarding the application to obtain the consent to sever the property into two undersized residential lots and permit the construction of a new detached dwelling with an attached garage on each new lot at 104 X Wendell Ave.

Urban Forestry has inspected the site and provides the following comments regarding the requested variances:

Approval of the requested consent to sever and variances will result in construction that will require the removal of:

- **One 461cm in diameter healthy private owned Colorado blue spruce tree.**

This healthy tree is a valuable part of the Urban Forest and should be retained.

Urban Forestry's understanding is that one criteria that the C of A considers in its deliberations is adherence to the Official Plan. The following from the Official Plan pertains to tree protection:

Section 3.4: The Natural Environment - Policies

1. To support strong communities, a competitive economy and a high quality of life, public and private city-building activities and changes to the built environment, including public works, will be environmentally friendly, based on:

d) preserving and enhancing the urban forest by:

i) providing suitable growing environments for trees

ii) increasing tree canopy coverage and diversity, especially of long-lived native and large shade trees; and

iii) regulating the injury and destruction of trees

Should the CofA approve this application in the knowledge that tree removal will be required, Urban Forestry would issue permit to remove the tree subject to the provisions of the Private Tree By-law.

Recommendations:

Urban Forestry objects to requested consent to sever and variances 1-12 as listed in the Notice, however;

If the Committee approves the requested variances, Urban Forestry requests the variances be subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The applicant shall submit an application for permit to injure or remove trees to Urban Forestry, as per City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 813, Article III.

Applicants requiring additional information please forward inquiries to tpprwest@toronto.ca or call **(416) 338-6596**.

Regards,

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cc: Forestry File
Committee of Adjustment