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WUD File: 078-22

City of Hamilton Natural Heritage Melissa Kiddie C/O

Attention: James Stanley

By email to: jstanley@urbansolutions.info

Project: 382 Southcote File No: ZAR-23-003

Comment Response#: 1

Document(s): Tree Protection Plan, (Submission 2 – 2023-01-16)

Dear Ms. Kiddie,

Below please find our response to comments from the Natural Heritage, on the above application.

Natural Heritage Comments from Melissa Kiddie

Comment:

A Tree Protection Plan (TPP) review fee is to be submitted to the City. At this time, it is unclear if this fee has been provided. Further clarification is required. The 2023 review fee is \$635.00. Response:

Fee payment will follow under separate cover.

Comment:

The decision to retain trees is to be based on condition, aesthetics, age, and species. Opportunities to retain trees (specifically along the perimeter of the site-trees #1-9 Norway Spruce) are to be explored. Response:

Opportunities to retain trees #1-8 are not possible due to proximity to the proposed swale and development. Tree #9 is proposed to be retained.

Comment:

Tree #11 (Norway Maple) is proposed to be removed. It is unclear why it cannot be retained. Further clarification is required.

Response:

Tree #11 is proposed for removal, due to its proximity to the proposed swale.

Comment:

It is important to note that the arborist removing trees on site is to have a tree cutting license with the City of Hamilton. It is advised that the City's Municipal Law Enforcement (MLE) section (mletrees@hamilton.ca) be contacted. In addition, a notation is to be provided on the drawing. Response:

Notation has been added.

Comment:

Tree Protection Measures:

i. Trees #10 and 17 (Norway Spruce) are located on the neighbouring property. These trees are to be protected, however, tree protection measures (i.e., fencing) has not been clearly identified on the drawing. The drawing is to be revised to include this information.

Response:

Noted, see L1. Tree protection fencing has been shown in place and modified due to constraints of the proposed swale and adjacent tree to be removed.

Sincerely,

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Principal Landscape Architect