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Delegation information

Committee you want to address
Executive Policy Committee

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)
Item. Tree bylaw

Support or oppose recommendations
I support the recommendations

Submit comments in writing checkbox
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Comments
I support the Executive Policy Committee voting in favour of protection of trees on private property that are situated adjacent to streets, sidewalks and other public property. This is within the City's prerogative to endorse and then enact, and will help the City's progress towards a comprehensive education and protection framework that will grant due consideration all trees within the City.
Trees are of ever greater importance with the increasing effects of climate change are apparent. They clear our air and absorb excess rainwater, they mitigate the urban heat dome and promote improved mental and physical health. Trees need us to take them seriously as is their due, and protect those trees whose importance will sustain the City for decades to come.
Trees are as essential as any other City infrastructure such as streetlights and roads, and there needs to be the same importance given to them. We must stop seeing trees as expendable at best, and an inconvenience or a threat in so many circumstances. They are our single best measure to prevent, mitigate and adapt to climate change, all in one beautiful living package, regardless of where they are located. Please do more, and now, to protect them.

Submission for a committee of council
Executive Policy Committee vote re tree bylaw Dec 9.docx

Public engagement (optional)

I consent to being contacted to participate in potential public engagement related to this matter.
Yes

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