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**INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Tim VanDekerkhove  
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**FROM:** Mr. C. Lepa  
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**DATE:** November 9, 2016

**RE:** Request for the Removal of a Boulevard Tree at 421 Osborne Street

In response to your request concerning the above referenced, a representative of the Urban Forestry Branch has inspected the area involved relative to the impact the proposed construction will have on existing trees. Please be advised that the following tree has been identified as potentially requiring removal to facilitate the proposed expansion of the transit maintenance garage.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Appraised Value</u>
Cottonwood	125.0 cm dbh	Fair	\$10900.00
Total Appraised Value			\$10900.00

The value of this tree has been determined using an internationally accepted method outlined by the Council of Trees and Landscape Appraisers and if it were to be removed the expectation would be that 15 new trees be planted to compensate for the green infrastructure that would be lost. Compensation could be forwarded to the Urban Forestry Branch, which would invest the funds back in the form of tree planting in the surrounding area in order to avoid a net loss situation in respect to urban forest canopy, or if possible the new trees could be planted by an approved contractor as part of the landscape component of the project.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the Urban Forestry Branch's attention and if you have any further questions regarding this matter please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

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